

Pulpit Supply List

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We hope you will find this pulpit supply list helpful to you. We welcome feedback from you. Please feel free to call the Regional Center at 913-432-1414, if you want more information or assistance. Typical honorarium range: from \$125-\$200.

Rev. Gary Armour, Phone — 913-609-1345 Email: garv@familycounselingkc.com

My preaching style is Biblical and practical. My goal is to apply The Word of God to our human condition. In the sermon, help connect the presence of Christ with the people of God so that we may find hope and joy in the midst of pain and suffering. I also use humor and personal stories to illustrate the hope that is in the Message. I am an ordained Pastor in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and was a full time minister for over 35 years in Disciple congregations in Missouri and Kansas. I have a BA in Psychology from UMKC and a Master of Divinity from St. Paul School of Theology. I am in a full-time counseling practice as a Clinical Marriage and Family Therapist at Lifeline Counseling Center in Olathe, Kansas.

Rev. Terry Barnes # 816-813-3102, and leave a message.

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The fall of 2015 I retired from the ministry after 35 years. I pastored Woods Memorial Christian Church in Excelsior Springs for 19 years. I am now a member of Hillside Christian Church where I was ordained in 1983. I am open to pulpit supply any Sunday. My sermons are Biblically based, expository, with application for today. With advance notice, I can give pastoral prayer, children's chat, and help lead in the singing, if I know the hymns.

I live near Worlds of Fun with easy access to the interstate system. My wife will most likely not accompany me on pulpit supply dates because of her involvement in our son's church.

Rev. Sondra Bowers, Phone: 816-853-1070, Email: sondra.bowers@yahoo.com

Through storytelling and current events I try to make scripture come to life. I prefer to use technology for additional emphasis if available including music, YouTube videos and still pictures. I will stand behind a pulpit if necessary but would prefer to be in open area if available. I use a Tablet with notes rather than a manuscript on paper.

Rev. Jacky Buck, Phone: 913-780-4790 (home) 913-558-7878 (cell), Email: jackydb@comcast.net

My ministry since 1980 has included supply preaching as regional staff and in local congregations. I have discovered that I enjoy the preparation as well as meeting people in different areas. would like to continue this ministry during my retirement while continuing my participation in my local congregation.

Dr.DonE.Canfield,816-228-3804(home):816225-3399(cell)Email:decanfield@comcast.net

I do match-making preaching: match the text to the congregation, match the text to understanding and relevance for listeners, and match the meaning of the text to the current meaning of the people and in the sermon invite them on the journey of understanding and application. I prepare the sermon by looking at the text, seeking to understand the circumstances and meaning of the text when written and faithfully bringing that meaning to a renewed relevance of those who hear it. I embrace much of Craddock's approach. (I only wish I could prepare and preach a sermon as successfully as he.) I write the sermon (which I enjoy), learn the sermon (which I dislike) and preach without notes so I can constantly engage the listeners, rationally, emotionally and visually.

Rev. Sharon Cantrell, Phone 913-909-2126, Email: sscantrell@yahoo.com

I am probably unique to pulpit supply- as a late bloomer, after 30 years as a social worker, I attended seminary and graduated and was ordained in 2011. I have not preached weekly but have done pulpit supply a number of times. I love to preach and enjoy the exegesis involved in writing messages. My uniqueness perhaps centers on my Urban Ministry work with Micah ministry at Independence Blvd Christian Church, and the desire to thank congregations who have participated in our region. I have a desire to make others aware of this important Regional ministry. I love to preach both on my ministry at Micah, but also on my study of who God calls us to be.

Rev. Nancy Cook, Phone: 913-660-4993, Email: iodic92@yahoo.com

I am an Ordained Minister through Greater Kansas City Disciples of Christ Region. I graduated from Central Baptist Theological Seminary in 2015. My home church is First Christian Church of Blue Springs Mo. I work as a Hospice Chaplain for Crossroads Hospice in Lenexa KS.

Rev. Fred Daniels, Phone: 913-620-6126, Email: fred.daniels@sbcglobal.net

Rev. Terry Chamberlain Diehl, Phone: 913-219-8520

After earning two degrees from the University of Missouri at Columbia, Terry Chamberlain Diehl attended and graduated from the Yale University Divinity School. She also studied a year at New College, the divinity school at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, and spent time in the Holy Land. She was ordained at Creighton Christian Church, Phoenix, AZ, in 1975. Rev. Diehl served as the pastor of Hickman Mills Community Christian Church, Kansas City, MO, for 39 years and especially enjoyed preaching, teaching Bible studies, and leading summer mission trips. She is an oblate of Mount St. Scholastica in Atchison, KS. Rev. Diehl and her husband of 44 years, Rev. Dr. Paul J. Diehl, have three children.

Rev. Tammy Eaton, Phone: 816-885-0240 Email: revtammyeaton@gmail.com

I am an on call chaplain at Truman Medical Center who enjoys the opportunities I have to preach at the hospital but that is only every 6-8 weeks. I am a practical theologian and my preaching involves real life application. I am always rooted in the scripture, appropriate stories, often emphasizing God's love, offering hope. Flexible-generally 15 minute range.

Rev. George Flanagan, D.Min. Email: georgeflanagan48@gmail.com Two important traits characterize my preaching: (1) the scripture informs the purpose and remains present throughout the sermon, and (2) the form is narrative, somewhat after Lowry's "homiletical plot." I strive to convey respect for the congregation, for scripture, and for Christ. I favor the Lectionary because it challenges me to discover thesis and purpose in the scripture for the preaching event in real time. I was a hospital chaplain for 25 years, and now serve in interim/transitional ministry. I also teach healthcare ethics to nursing and medical students.

Rev. Laura Guy; lguy@clearcreek.com; 913-515-3720

Laura Guy was the founding pastor of Living Water Christian Church in Parkville, MO and served there for 17 years. The church worships in a coffeehouse atmosphere, around tables and chairs, with drinks and food provided. The church has been designated as an Open and Affirming Congregation by the Disciples LGBTQ+ Alliance. Laura enjoys preaching Biblical stories through a modern lens so that they can be applied to our lives. Her previous job was an elementary teacher and she recently served as a member of the Shawnee Mission School District Board of

Education. Laura graduated from Saint Paul School of Theology and was ordained in 2005. She lives in Overland Park, KS with her husband Clif Guy who is the Information Technology Lead Director at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection. She is comfortable preaching and leading worship in both contemporary and traditional settings and has extensive experience doing online worship as well.

Rev. Cynthia Crabbs Heller Phone 913-706-2768 Email: revcrabbs.heller@gmail.com I have a Master's of Divinity and Certificate of Doctoral Studies from St. Paul School of Theology. I currently work as a school nurse full-time in order to stay in the Midwest (close to grown children in Kansas City and within driving distance of aging parents in Oklahoma) and to pay off school loans (nursing pays better than ministry). I finally have a grand-baby and plenty of pictures to prove it. I have loved leading worship since I was a teen-ager and have chaired more than one Worship committee over the years. I occasionally preach at Vespers services at Foxwood Springs and Kingswood, but would enjoy being able to preach and lead worship at other congregations, especially during summer break I enjoy sharing the Word of God in many ways and appreciate the honor of preaching it from the pulpit. I now have one of my sermons on my LinkedIn page. I regret I can't do more as an ordained minister, but practical considerations have had to take first place as I age. I am a member of Blue Valley Christian Church.

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Rev. Lee Lawhead #816-590-7026 Email: llawhead@sbcglobal.net

Disciples minister, ordained in October, 1998. Served as interim minister at Hillcrest CC, Redbridge CC and Lone Jack CC prior to current ministry as Hospice Chaplain at the KC Hospice House. Preaching style is to move outside of and away from the pulpit and bring the Good News of God's saving grace in a conversational tone. Topics are all scriptural based and relevant to today's every day walk of life.

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Rev. Lynda McClelland, Phone: 816-753-8861. Email: lyndaisfree@gmail.com

Ordained Minister, Chaplain, M. Div. We live in a world that is shattered. Many people seek answers for comfort. My role is to use the guidance of Jesus Christ, to offer words of encouragement, with hope that people's lives will be restored.

Rev. Timothy Meier, Phone 816-679-5602. Email: timary74@yahoo.com

Graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary and was ordained in 1976 and served Lutheran congregations in northern Wisconsin from 1976 to 1989. In 1990 we were called to join our synodical mission team in Taiwan and served with that team until 1995. In 1995 we and others left our synod and became independent. My wife, Mary, and I continued to serve in Taiwan until 2005 when we returned to the states and settled in Independence, MO. We became members of Raytown Christian Church and I received DOC preaching credentials in 2006. We have served as elders and in other capacities at RCC since that time. I will be happy to provide more information if desired, but this is probably enough for now. References: Rev Joe & Rev Dawn Weakas.

Mary Beth Minges mbminges@hotmail.com

I am currently serving as a Staff Chaplain at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. I have been in ministry throughout my life, including youth ministry, campus ministry, faith formation and teaching. I was ordained in 2013. I am willing to preach in any congregation in the Region. The best way to contact me is by phone: 913-683-0000.

Rev. Tom Minges, Phone 816.304.6265

Preaching focus: I tend to rely on the Lectionary for Scriptural direction, though happily deviate from that if some other theme is more appropriate in a particular setting. I'm not a long preacher, like to use stories; I'm intrigued by Jesus' parable style, so am comfortable with ambiguity and prefer to leave the congregation with something to think about rather than give an answer. I would say I'm on the progressive side, theologically I think my delivery is interesting and engaging (don't we all).

Brian Morse 816-808-8063 Brian.Morse@tmcmmed.org

I am a Director of Chaplain Services for a metro hospital.
I've been working Sun-Thursday.
My boss wants to change me to Mon-Fri starting 7/1.

This email is to start a conversation about pulpit supply. Just feeling the waters at this point.
I envision a little congregation, mostly elderly, who like the old hymns and lean theologically conservative.
My favorite preaching is in nursing homes, so I am a good fit for this demographic.

Like I say, this is just to begin a conversation. I'm open to ideas. I'm not looking to make a major commitment at this moment. But perhaps I can be of service to a little congregation that can't afford a pastor.

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Dr. Stephen Regas, Phone: 816-373-3014 (H), 816-454-0935 (cell), Email: sleeregas@gmail.com

I am originally from Kansas City and a graduate of Brite Divinity School. I was ordained in 1984 and served as the installed pastor of a small church in eastern Kansas for six years. After that I changed career directions and went to medical school. I have been a practicing family physician for 17 years. I am a member, Elder and former Board Chair of Liberty Christian Church. I would describe my preaching style as traditional- usually following the lectionary and emphasizing the historical background of the Scriptures.

Rev. Bill Rose-Heim, Regional Minister and President 816.617.7020 Email:billrh@kcdisciples.org

I appreciate invitations to preach, to present at Sunday School classes and to meet with elders and other congregational leaders on evenings and weekends when I am not already scheduled to serve. Often, I will make use of a lectionary text, do some sleuthing around the online media of the congregation to catch up on what is happening and weave in greetings from our General Minister and President, trends in North American and Midwestern U.S. religious practice, and updates from the wider Church as may be timely and relevant to the message. I do not accept personal honoraria. Your congregation's gifts to the Disciples Mission Fund helps to pay my salary and travel expenses. I do, however accept and appreciate invitations to stay and visit after the service when not otherwise committed to an afternoon meeting in another congregation. Text, call or email or better yet, check to see if I am available and book a time using this link: <https://calendly.com/billrhgkc/sunday-morning-worship-with-your-congregation>

Rev. Paul Southard, Phone: 913-495-9566, Email: southard@kc.rr.com

I started in parish ministry, and in recent years have been in social work. I see preaching as an encounter between the preacher and listeners focusing on the love and grace of God. I like to draw on illustrations to help the listener grasp something from the text(s) for the particular service. The sermon involves study and communication to the listeners of thoughts of the living with God and Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. The sermon should raise questions and be personal in the lives of the listeners and help them grasp the "meat" of a scripture passage. The sermon is rooted in the context of the whole Bible.

Rev. James Vertreeese, Phone: 816-509-1161, Email: jlvert@earthlink.net

I am Rev. James L. Vertreeese, a native of Kansas City, Missouri. I am married to Annetta and we have three sons. am currently the Administrative Pastor for New Vision Christian Church (DOC), Kansas City, MO. Since entering the ministry in 2008, I have found sharing the preached Word to be most rewarding and personally fulfilling. I believe that God's Word is still alive and fresh and I attempt to bring a message that is relevant to the times, in which we live.

Jim Wallace, member, Blue Springs First Christian Church 816.668.4437 ibwally323@icloud.com

Jim is available to offer a personal testimony of his journey of faith into his current mission work in Guatemala with Kairos North America - a ministry of First Christian Church Blue Springs.

Rev. Janet Weiblen, Phone: 913-544-2753 Email:revjw216@gmail.com

As for how preaching is a part of my life, it is what I do best in ministry. I LOVE to preach and prepare for worship. I've been told by many who have heard me preach that I am an excellent preacher; I have a Sermon List of individuals from churches where I have been over the years that receive my sermons whenever I preach. Not only does it help to keep in contact, it is a way to share the message of God's incredible love! Sadly, many people don't know just how incredible God's love is.

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Having graduated from Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon, in 1979, I earned a Master of Divinity from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, and in 1983 was ordained by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Pacific Southwest Region at my home church in El Cajon, California. For 21 years after ordination I served four churches in Indiana and Missouri. Moving to secular work in the fall of 2004, I am now employed by Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City, Missouri. I currently play in the Journey Band (acoustic guitar and vocals) which provides music every week at Lee's Summit Christian Church, where my wife, Beth, and I are members.

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