

## **PASTOR FOR WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION**

Brookdale Presbyterian Church (203 S. 31st Street) is a growing gospel-centered church in St. Joseph, Missouri, just north of Kansas City, with a communicant membership of approximately three hundred. With more than one hundred years of history, the church has a strong reputation in both the city and its surrounding neighborhood. It has been known as a church that is theologically sound, well grounded in Scripture, and active in ministry. The congregation is inter-generational and socioeconomically diverse. Brookdale is a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC).

Recently the church finished a vision development process, prayerfully determining that God is calling the congregation to “bring the beauty of the gospel to the brokenness of life.” A summary statement is available on our website, describing how we see the vision being expressed in our prayer, worship, spiritual formation, and mission (a full statement is available upon request). In looking to the future, the congregation is prayerfully searching for a pastor for worship and spiritual formation who can help equip the congregation to live out this gospel-centered vision in these two areas.

The qualified candidate will be someone who has a deep spiritual life, is committed to the gospel as the key dynamic for spiritual change and growth, and is personally anchored in grace. He will also possess worship and discipleship gifts, especially as they pertain to leading and developing others (see description on next page), and a spirit of creativity and enthusiasm for ministry. He should have earned at least a Master of Divinity degree or similar level of education and be ordained (or ordainable) in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

We invite you to learn more about our church and our vision by visiting us at [www.brookdalechurch.com](http://www.brookdalechurch.com)

Candidates may apply by submitting a resume and PIF form to:

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## ***Pastor of Worship and Spiritual Formation - Ministry Responsibilities***

### **I. Preaching and Worship Leadership**

- Preaching Ministry
  - Preach approximately 12 times per year
- Worship Leadership
  - Prepare worship service each week, in collaboration with the senior pastor, choosing songs and writing the order of worship
  - Develop worship slides and artwork
  - Develop a worship arts team that will creatively use art in the life of the church
  - Develop the music ministry within the church through recruiting, developing, coaching, and rehearsing with musicians.
  - Lead worship on Sunday morning

### **II. Spiritual Formation and Discipleship**

- Small Group Ministry
  - Work with Spiritual Formation Team to help our small groups be intentional in their discipleship and encourage people in daily worship
  - Work with Spiritual Formation Team to develop training and on-going coaching for our small group leaders
  - Visit small groups regularly in order to build relationships with them, encourage them, and be able to provide more personalized resourcing and coaching to the leaders
  - Work with Spiritual Formation Team to form new small groups with church members and regular attenders
  - Work with Spiritual Formation Team to assimilate new members and visitors into small groups
- Christian Education Ministry
  - Work with Spiritual Formation Team in an intentional and long-term plan for well-rounded and developmental approach to Christian Education within the church
  - Evaluate all curriculum used in the church to ensure theological consistency, practical usability, and pedagogical effectiveness.
  - Provide training and on-going coaching for Sunday School teachers
  - Serve as one of the regular teachers, particularly in areas of Christian Education that are consistent with training and passions

### **III. General Pastoral Ministry**

- Pastoral Care
  - Hospital and Home Visitation, as needed
  - Pastoral Counseling, as needed
  - Weddings and Funerals, as needed
- Church Government
  - Participate in Session Meetings
  - Participate in Presbytery and General Assembly (as well as committees)