

Seneca Presbyterian Church

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Church/Organization General Information

Church/Organization Number	22408
Church/Organization Name	Seneca
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WWW Address	http://www.senecapresbyterianchurch.com/
Church/Organization Size	251 - 400 members
Ethnic Composition	Caucasian 99% Other 1%
Average Worship Attendance	175
Church School Attendance	30
Curriculum	“The Present Word” adult men & women; varied books – bible study group; “We Believe” children’s
Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program False	
Yoked Church	False
Presbytery	FOOTHILLS PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF SOUTH ATLANTIC
Community Type	Small City
Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization * (Show Statistics)	

* Data availability is not guaranteed

Information about the position

Position: Pastor (Solo)

Specific Title:

Employment Status: Full-time

Language Requirements: English

Brief Church Mission Statement:

To be faithful to our mission we commit ourselves:

- to minister to our older congregation while encouraging growth and development of ministry to younger people;
- to minister to those in need in our community and world;
- to create meaningful worship experiences, providing different times and styles of worship;
- to provide quality Christian Education by offering a variety of programs to our congregation and community.

We will pursue the above within a framework of:

- welcoming a diversity of people;
- working in ecumenical cooperation with our sisters and brothers in Christ;
- spreading the good news of Jesus Christ;
- reaffirming in our worship, life and ministry the strengths of our Reformed faith.

Brief description of the church/organization's programs or accomplishments:

WORSHIP: 8:30 morning refreshments, 9:00 contemporary worship, 11:00 traditional worship.

EDUCATION: Church school – Sunday, 10:00 am; youth fellowship – Sunday, 5–7pm; mid-week adult studies.

CARE AND FELLOWSHIP: Women’s study, services and fellowship, monthly church suppers, golf and other special events, Deacons and Friends in Faith, Odyssey seniors’ group.

OUTREACH AND MISSION: Golden Corners Ministries food pantry, Habitat for Humanity, Oconee Presbyterian Service Fund, Our Daily Bread soup kitchen, Our Daily Rest homeless shelter, Rosa Clark Clinic, Volunteers in Medical Missions.

Gifts, Skills and Experiences the congregation possesses to fulfill its mission:

SPC is an eclectic congregation that is flexible in many ways and capable of adapting to changes in its surroundings and culture. Its membership works tirelessly to do the work of God in the church and, most importantly, within the community. All community activities addressing human needs always have a large contingent from Seneca Presbyterian Church.

An experienced congregation, made up with people from many areas of the country with varied backgrounds in many churches, blends itself into a full awareness of God and Jesus Christ and

the prayerful execution of God's direction in our daily lives.

Our church buildings provide large, adequate space for in-house activities (Sunday school, large church dinners, study rooms, nursery, office space) and community activities (OLLI, yard sale, mentoring, AA). The establishment of a contemporary service in 2008 has had steady attendance and proven to be a lesson in growth through change and a more outward focus.

Key theological issues of the church and society that are reflected in the ministry of the congregation/organization:

The Seneca Presbyterian Church has a heart of ministry and mission for its community and understands that there are many relevant issues facing our society and community today. Among those are hunger, homelessness, and unemployment. These issues are experienced on a daily basis by both the aging segment of our population, as well as the growing younger demographic segment. We are also poignantly aware of other issues such as interracial tension and many forms of dependencies.

We do not pretend to have all the answers but prayerfully look to the Scriptures and the tenets of our reformed tradition (the PCUSA) to evaluate God's will and desire in directing our ministry.

We use the tenets of the Book of Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Holy Scriptures to discern God's will and govern our church. We adhere to guidance by the Session, Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly.

We believe that the scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, are the authoritative, inspired Word of God.

Foundationally, we cite with conviction the Apostles Creed.

References:

Name	Address	Phone Numbers	Relation	Email
George Wilkes	2292 Woodruff Road, Simpsonville, SC 29681	(864) 288-5774	Foothills Presbytery Executive	gwilkes@foothillspresbytery.org
George Harper	Westminster Presbyterian Church, 204 Isundega Street, Westminster, SC 29693	(864) 647-2293	Pastor in neighboring community	g_harper@bellsouth.net
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Position Description

A. Major Responsibilities:

The utmost responsibility will be the effective delivery of sermons and Bible studies rooted in the scriptures, providing clarity, continuity, relationship to current events, and a common bond with the entire service.

Our pastor should be an experienced administrator as head of staff, session moderator, advisor to committees and board of deacons, trainer of elected officers and confidant to members. Visitations and counseling rank high as required functions.

This individual should be skilled in current electronic technology, modern leadership techniques and telecommunication skills. Our pastor will involve him/herself in community activities for personal growth and to gain knowledge of the church's current ministries. This knowledge will help him/her discern a vision for the future. His/her awareness of and inclusion in community life and needs are vital to the public awareness of Seneca Presbyterian Church.

B. Characteristics and qualifications needed

Gifted leader in the preparation and planning of meaningful and relevant thematic worship services, in both our traditional and contemporary worship styles.

Compassionate and visionary spiritual leader with the ability to motivate and train the laity for further and expanding ministry.

A leader by example. Train and inspire an effective ministry of pastoral care, visitation, and counseling for the various segments of our congregation.

Primary Skill Choices:

Administrative Leadership
Communication (Written / Oral)
Corporate Worship / Sacraments
Leadership Development
Pastoral Care
Preaching

Spiritual Development

Compensation and Housing: ([Cost of Living Calculator](#))

Minimum Effective Salary:\$65,000

Housing Type:Housing Allowance: \$0

Geographic Choices: Unlimited

Has the presbytery's Committee on Ministry thus counseled with the Pastor Nominating Committee regarding Equal Employment Opportunity?

Yes

Has the Pastor Nominating Committee affirmed to the Presbytery Committee on Ministry its intention to follow the Form Of Government in this regard?

Yes

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