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ANGELICAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA



SEARCH FOR A FULL-TIME RECTOR for

New Israel Reformed Episcopal Church

69 Simons Street, Charleston, SC 29408

“Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons and thy sons’ sons.” Deuteronomy 4: 9

Mission: To promote the Bible as the Divine Word of God, given for redemption and salvation, which encompasses preaching, teaching and caring for the physical, spiritual, social and emotional needs of mankind—regardless of race, color, creed, age or nationality

Our Values: We:

- recognize and affirm the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion;
- practice supporting the church through tithes and offerings;
- treat all persons, believers and non-believers, with dignity and respect;
- open the doors of our church for the spiritual, physical and intellectual needs of all people;
- acknowledge marriage as a life-long relationship ordained by God between a man and a woman;
- are biblical, liturgical, and evangelical.

Location: New Israel Reformed Episcopal Church traces its origin back to the latter quarter of the 19th century when it was a small mission of the Protestant Episcopal Church known as Racker’s Mission, which was located on a farm outside the city limits of Charleston. Today, the same location is commonly referenced as the North Central neighborhood of the Charleston peninsula. Consequently, the church is situated in a diverse community allowing for opportunities for evangelism. It is also within walking distance of such sites as The Citadel, Hampton Park and the African American Museum, to name a few.

Assets: From its founding New Israel has been blessed by the Lord in many ways. She has been blessed with members whose desire is to worship and glorify the Lord; she has been blessed with the acquisition of a number of properties to be utilized in reaching the needs of the community in various ways. The church has been able to establish a Christian School (New Israel Child Development Center) to provide a day school for working parents who have no other means of childcare. The church acquired additional properties that allow for other services

that support the community, and an apartment complex that provide residence for lower income families.

Worship: New Israel REC is a parish of the Diocese of the Southeast of the Reformed Episcopal Church—an evangelical parish in the Anglican tradition—and worships in accordance with the *Book of Common Prayer* with a strong emphasis on the preaching of God’s Word. Current average attendance for in-person Divine worship (since Covid-19) is sixty members.

Desired Qualifications:

The following are included among desired qualifications for New Israel’s **full-time** rector:

- Practices sound theology and has extensive biblical knowledge
- Has earned a minimum of a Bachelor’s degree and a Master of Divinity in Theology degree
- Demonstrates proficiency in written and verbal communication skills
- Has had experience as an effective rector/minister of a church/parish
- Has acceptable interpersonal human relations and financial management skills
- Is a goal-setter, with follow-through
- The successful applicant must be able to demonstrate his ability to manage and direct the utilization of the assets of New Israel Reformed Episcopal Church

Responsibilities:

In addition to his general responsibilities such as preparing messages/preaching, presiding over meetings of the vestry/parish, etc. expectations are that our full-time rector will:

- carry out his duties as outlined in the contractual responsibilities agreed upon by the rector and the vestry;
- have primary responsibility for services—Divine worship and other special services—and will ensure that appropriate music is utilized for these services;
- visit/commune the sick/shut-in at least once monthly;
- be actively engaged in Sunday school and be willing to teach a Sunday school class;
- participate in/attend annual diocesan functions such as Annual Synod, Sunday School Convention, Missionary Convention, General Council (each triennium) etc.;
- actively engage young adults/young people in existing and/or new church ministries;
- assume oversight of, as well as attend, and teach/train members to teach/facilitate Bible study.

Salary Considerations Based On: experience, educational background, housing, etc.

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Clergy Application for Reception into REC:

<http://www.rechurch.org/documents/RECAApplicationofReception.pdf>