



Pastoral Residency Program Application

The Pastoral Residency Program of St. Paul Lutheran Church

Program design and context

The Pastoral Residency Program is designed to develop leadership skills and professional growth in gifted new pastors, strengthening the transition from seminary to congregational ministry in significant ways. St. Paul Lutheran Church, an active 3,500-member congregation with dynamic leadership, provides a rich setting in which to deepen pastoral identity. Residents develop their own insights and practices for good ministry. They become fully integrated into the life of the church as salaried first call pastors.

Eligibility

Seminary students in their final year of study or recent graduates who are candidates for ordained ministry are eligible to apply. Applicants who have a strong interest in congregational ministry will be given priority.

The Application

Please provide detailed answers to the application questions and submit all requested supporting documents.

Required materials for a complete application:

- Cover letter and resume
- Application form completed
- Seminary transcript
- Two sermons (video, audio recording, or manuscript as necessary)

Deadlines

Application deadline is December 31, 2020. Applicants will be notified by mid-January 2021.

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Personal Information

Legal Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last) (mm/dd/yyyy)

Preferred First Name (if different than above): _____

Email: _____ Status: _____
(single, married, partnered)

College: _____ Year of Graduation: _____ Major(s): _____

Current Mailing Address:

Street Address Apt. #

City/Town State Zip

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Current mailing address valid through _____

Application Mini-Essays

1. Interest in the Pastoral Residency Program

Admittedly, this program is probably new to you; but from what you know or have heard of the program, what draws you to this kind of ministry and learning opportunity? (600-word max)

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2. Internship experience

Talk about your internship experience, referring to highlights, challenges, and discoveries. In what personal and professional ways have you grown most through the internship year? What do you feel you missed, or what received too little attention to be of lasting help to you? (600-word max.)

Internship congregation _____ Dates served _____ to _____
(mm/dd/yyyy) (mm/dd/yyyy)

Supervising pastor _____

3. CPE Experience

If you have completed a CPE experience, identify two or three components of that experience that impacted your vision of ministry or gave new shape to your thinking about the pastoral life. How do you see calling on people pastorally as part of your future ministry? (600-word max.)

Clinical setting _____ Dates served _____ to _____
(mm/dd/yyyy) (mm/dd/yyyy)

CPE supervisor _____

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4. What are you most passionate about in life and ministry? What excites you? (600-word max)

5. Please highlight any other experiences or interests from your life that you wish for us to know about.

We're confident you're an interesting person, so let us in on it! (400-word max)

Seminary Transcript

Please arrange to have a copy of your seminary transcript mailed or emailed to Beth Laureijs at St. Paul Lutheran Church (beth@stpaulqc.org).

Sermons

Please provide a video, audio recording, or manuscript (if nothing else is available) of two sermons you have preached.

Rostered Minister Profile (RMP)

Please forward an electronic copy of your RMP.

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References

List three references who are familiar with your character, your talent, and your suitability for ministry.

1. Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____
2. Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____
3. Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Thank you for your interest in the St. Paul Lutheran Church Pastoral Residency Program. Please include a cover letter of introduction and resume with your application. For questions or additional information, contact:

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