



Overview

Stanwich Congregational Church in Greenwich, CT, eagerly seeks a Holy Spirit-led Senior Pastor who embodies a strong commitment to Biblical teaching, spiritual growth and community outreach. This role presents a unique opportunity to join a dedicated staff, committed leaders and a warm, Christ-centered congregation.

The Big Idea



Founded in 1731, a year before George Washington was born, Stanwich Church has deep roots in Connecticut's "back-country." It was originally established to provide a place of worship for landowners and farm workers who were unable to attend services in town due to their responsibilities. From its beginnings, the church embraced a clear vision as a meeting place with God, where all people, regardless of rank or social status, could attend. This approach to ministry has fueled its growth over the years. Today, Stanwich sits on approximately 10 acres, featuring a new 30,000-square-foot facility. Recently, the church also acquired a 30,000-square foot location in Stamford, just a few miles away, where it plans to launch a second service in 2026, welcoming a new wave of transformed lives through Jesus. Stanwich Church is a non-denominational church that upholds the authority of Scripture and an orthodox interpretation of the Bible, with a strong emphasis on the active presence of God's Word and the Holy Spirit in both church life and an individual's journey. With a deep desire to see lives changed by Jesus, the church aims to inspire individuals to engage in God's redemptive work in a broken world.

The Church

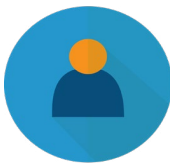


Affiliation: Non-denominational

Attendance: 700 (adults and children)

About: Two identical Sunday morning worship services offered at 9 and 11 a.m. Worship is a blend of traditional hymns, contemporary praise and choral music accompanied by organ, piano, percussion and an array of string instruments. Communion and recitation of the Apostles' Creed are included weekly. They have 22 full- and part-time staff members. They are debt free.

The Candidate



Stanwich Church's ideal Senior Pastor is someone whose genuine love for Jesus is contagious and deeply grounded in the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This person values formal education, demonstrated through a strong academic background, but is also wise, able to bring the truths of Scripture into the everyday life of the church. Humble, generous, and relationally skilled, the incoming pastor will enjoy connecting with people and engaging with the congregation in a warm and gracious manner. They will embrace Stanwich Church's blended worship style, which draws from a variety of Christian traditions. This leader will deliver the Word of God with accuracy, thoughtfulness, conviction and a compelling, winsome spirit. With a heart for strategic growth, they will bring enthusiasm for advancing the church's mission to reach more people and ideally bring experience in multi-site leadership to support their expanding vision.

The Location



Greenwich, CT combines small-town charm with easy access to the energy of New York City. Known for its affluence, this vibrant community offers top-tier schools, lush parks, scenic landscapes and a bustling downtown filled with upscale shops and restaurants. Residents here enjoy a wealth of recreational activities all within a safe, close-knit environment that balances a high standard of living with a strong sense of community. Fairfield County, however, presents a unique mission field, as it is marked by both extreme wealth and deep poverty, creating one of the country's widest income gaps. The incoming Senior Pastor should be comfortable ministering across this socioeconomic spectrum, engaging with people of all means—neither dismissive of wealth nor captivated by it, but instead fostering a spirit of unity and compassion for all.

The Qualifications



The person who applies for this role should possess the following qualifications: Clear alignment with the Stanwich Church **vision, mission, and values**; theological Master's degree minimum, with a Doctoral degree preferred; 10 years of vocational ministry experience, including multiple years of staff leadership and oversight; a genuine, mature, intimate and loving relationship with Jesus. For a complete list of preferred qualifications, please click on the link below.

Next Steps



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