

**Visitation Pastor
Faith United Methodist Church
Goshen, Indiana
Accountable to: Senior Pastor and SPRC**

The ideal candidate will be a committed disciple of Jesus Christ and model the love of Christ by developing and implementing a visitation program to provide congregational care focused on those who are hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing care. This is a part-time position averaging 10-15 hours per week. The Visitation Pastor will minister in partnership with the Senior Pastor and trained lay volunteers.

Responsibilities/Skills include but are not limited to:

A compassionate demeanor that is able to offer pastoral care to those in need. Past experience with hospital visitation and protocol is expected along with an understanding of the necessity of confidentiality; comfortable praying with and for others.

A United Methodist theological grounding to offer spiritual support for those being ministered to and for training visitation volunteers.

The ability to recruit, equip, and manage lay volunteers to assist the Visitation Pastor with the task of providing excellent congregational care in the areas of:

- Local nursing home and hospital visitation
- Visiting those who are homebound
- Conducting funeral services when requested by congregants

The ability to balance personally doing visitation along with equipping lay volunteers to do visitation as well.

Develop a system of record-keeping and accountability that allows good tracking and oversight of congregational visitation. The ideal candidate may bring strong past experience in this area OR will have the ability to research and implement best practices by other churches.

Be available on occasion to assist with congregational care and preaching when the senior pastor is gone.

Employee Signature

Date

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