

PGL Presbytery Leader MIF

Ministry Number	72413
Ministry Name	The Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy
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Ministry size	N/A
Ethnic Composition	% American Indian or Alaskan Native- <1% % Asian- <1% % Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean)- 10% % Hispanic, Latino/Latina, Spanish- <1% % Middle Eastern- <1% % White- 89%
Average Worship Attendance	N/A
Church School Attendance	N/A
Curriculum	N/A
Yoked	False
Presbytery	Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy
Synod	Synod of Mid-America
Community Type	N/A
Ten-Year Trend Statistics for this Church or Organization	https://church-trends.pcusa.org/presbytery/140234/overview/

Information about the position

Position (type)	General Presbyter/Executive Presbyter/Presbytery Leader
Experience Required	5
Specific Title	Presbytery Leader
Employment Status	Full time
Language Required	English

Other Languages	None
Statement of Faith Required	True
Clergy Couples	No
Training/Certificate Requirements	None
Other Training	None

Brief Church Mission Statement

The Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy is called to be a community of vibrant congregations and dynamic leaders that exists to steward a future of God’s possibility by proclaiming the love, justice, and peace of Jesus Christ; promoting the transformation of our congregations and communities for effective ministry in a new era; and guiding, equipping, and inspiring one another. Our desire is that together we may become even more deeply rooted in God, faithful to Christ, and bearing the fruit of the Spirit.

What is the congregation’s or organization’s vision for ministry?

The Presbytery encompasses a region in the heart of the Midwest with a wide range of urban, suburban, and rural lifestyles: wealthy and poor, privileged and underserved. We seek to bring reconciliation, repair, unity and hope to all of our member congregations through the love and ministry of Jesus Christ. We strive to strengthen the role of the Church in building inclusive and just communities.

How do you (we) feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community or constituency?

Our Presbytery and its members work in partnership with many social justice organizations around the region and have developed teams such as our Dismantling Racism and White Privilege (DRAWP) Team for this purpose. This has been an excellent beginning to the process of reconciliation and justice, and we feel called to continue this work in the name of Christ Our Lord. The Matthew 25 initiative of the PC(USA) was adopted by the Presbytery for our focus during 2020. Congregations were encouraged to make a commitment to becoming vital congregations, dismantling racism, or eradicating systemic poverty.

How will this position help you achieve your mission goals?

The presence of our Presbytery Leaders among our member congregations and working with our Vision Team and other volunteer leadership is vital to the transformation we hope to achieve. Our Presbytery Leader will visit our congregations regularly, pray with and preach to them, work with their pastors and session members to develop transformative strategies, and teach spiritual and missional practices to put us all on the path to healing and reconciliation.

Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person who is to open to being called by this congregation or organization.

The person who is called to this position should be committed to working in the Body of Christ, calm under pressure, able to work collaboratively and cooperatively with a wide range of people, flexible and

adaptable, a relationship builder who garners the trust and respect of others, strong but kind in speaking the truth in challenging situations, spiritually mature and encouraging of others in their faith journeys, able to maintain confidentiality in all matters, and generous with listening, patience, humility and pastoral presence.

What specific tasks, assignments and program areas will this person have responsibility for?

The Presbytery Leader will collaborate with the Associate Presbytery Leader to develop and execute the mission of the Presbytery throughout our region. The PL will be expected to travel to all the congregations in our Presbytery to attend session meetings, prayer groups, and worship activities on a regular basis. The Presbytery Leader will also be involved with cohort groups of pastors and other leaders to guide them in developing spiritual and missional practices that align with the transformational objectives included in our mission. The Presbytery Leader will focus on the discernment of property and financial matters and will be skilled in truth telling and having the hard conversations when needed.

Optional Links

Leadership Competencies

1. Culturally proficient
2. Strategy and Vision
3. Collaboration
4. Spiritually Mature
5. Self-Differentiation
6. Public Communication
7. Bridge Builder
8. Willing to engage conflict
9. Tech Savvy
10. Contextualization

Compensation and Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary \$90,000

Housing Type? Housing Allowance

References: 3 names with contact info

Name	Address	Phone Number	Relation (to Presbytery)	email
● Rev. Erin Counihan	4111 Connecticut St, St. Louis, MO 63116	(773) 698-3362	Former Moderator	erin.counihan@gmail.com
● Rev Karl Hauser,	10126 East Watson Road, St. Louis, MO 63126	(314) 843-1133	Presbytery Moderator,	Pastor@southminsterstlouis.org
● Rev. Cedric Portis,	9990 Lewis & Clark Ave, St. Louis MO 63136	(314) 520-5962,	Administrative Commission on Mid Councils,	Pastorportis@gmail.com

Has the nominating committee and Search Committee affirmed its intention to follow the Form of Government in this regard?

Yes

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