CANADIAN BAPTISTS OF ATLANTIC CANADA Ministry Opening

CHURCH / MINISTRY ORGANIZATION

Wolfville Baptist Church 487 Main Street Wolfville, Nova Scotia B4P 1E3 https://www.wolfvillebaptist.ca/ PART TIME PASTORAL POSITION

Part-Time Interim Pastor

Temporary: Search for Permanent Pastor

REQUESTED CREDENTIALS

Accredited Ordained Minister

AVERAGE SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

100-149

POSITION DESCRIPTION

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Reporting to the Board of Deacons, the Interim Pastor will provide spiritual leadership and guidance as the congregation prepares for the arrival of a permanent pastor. The congregation is looking for someone who will walk alongside our community, helping us rediscover our identity and discern God's direction during this new season of ministry.

This interim appointment is expected to last for up to 12 months while the church conducts a search for a permanent pastor.

Qualifications and responsibilities are listed in the attached document.

CLOSING DATE

Flexible: open for applications until the position is filled

SEND RESUME / CV TO

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Salary will be based on qualifications and experience.

Qualifications

- An ordained minister and affiliated with the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC) or with one of the partner bodies of Canadian Baptist Ministries (CBM)
- Strong leadership and communication skills
- Able to work in a team and adapt to a diverse church environment

Responsibilities

- Organize and conduct Sunday morning worship in cooperation with the Director of Music. The average weekly attendance is 145 (125 onsite and 20 online). Lead Communion typically on the first Sunday of each month.
- Preach on most Sunday mornings, offering short sermon series based on specific themes or the lectionary.
- Lead a weekly or bi-weekly prayer service or Bible study.
- Provide pastoral care and visitation upon request, focusing especially on members of the congregation who attend worship services onsite. Provide referrals in crisis situations. Officiate funerals as needed.

The current congregation of approximately 170 members includes nearly 40 households (individuals or couples) who are unable to attend Sunday morning worship onsite, including 20 households residing in 14 different care homes. The Pastoral Care Specialist currently serves 10 hours per week, supporting this vital ministry in collaboration with a Visitation Team. The Pastoral Care Specialist also hosts the weekly Friendly Fellowship on Thursday mornings in the Church Parlour, providing a time of connection and community.

- Participate in the Board of Deacons' monthly meetings (currently held via Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month) and share a brief written update as part of ongoing communication. Attend other Board and Committee meetings upon request.
- Provide oversight for church staff as per the <u>church by-laws</u>. Possibly mentor two student pastors who will graduate with their Master of Divinity in May 2026.
- Prepare candidates for Baptism and conduct Baptism services.
- Be a liaison to two Sunday outreach ministries:
 - 1. Valley Mission Church meets on Sunday afternoons at 3:00 pm under the leadership of Sungkeun Jung and Eunhoun Kim. This ministry offers a welcoming space for Christian fellowship among the Korean community in the Annapolis Valley.
 - 2. Valley of Hope gathers on Sunday afternoons at 1:00 pm under the leadership of Vipin Joseph. This ministry offers a space for worshiping God in an intercultural context, uniting both international and local communities.

For more information, see our <u>latest newsletter</u>.

To apply, email your letter of application and resume to:

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Chair of Deacons
Wolfville Baptist Church
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We thank all applicants in advance and advise that only those invited for an interview will be contacted.