

Position Description

Pastoral Worker - Part time Fixed Term

6 hours per week for ONE year

Parish	Dunedin South Presbyterian Church		
Reports to	Interim-Moderator	Date	

Job Purpose

The role of the parish pastoral worker, in conjunction with the minister and elders, is the provision of pastoral care of the congregation.

Key Tasks:	Expected Results:
1. Liaise with the Interim-Moderator in all areas of pastoral concern in the parish.	<i>Meet fortnightly with the Interim Moderator to synchronise visiting.</i>
2. Liaise with the Interim-Moderator to co-ordinate visitations to parishioners in order to connect with what is happening in their lives.	<i>Every household on the parish roll will be visited at least once per year.</i>
3. Liaise with those responsible for the bringing of Holy Communion to the sick and elderly to ensure that Communion is brought to the sick and housebound on a regular basis.	<i>Three times per year Communion is brought to the sick and elderly.</i>
3. Work with parishioners in the ministry of bereavement.	
4. Intentionally offer spiritual conversation including prayer and scripture.	

Person Specification - Pastoral Worker

6 hours per week

Qualifications: A Certificate or Diploma in Pastoral Care would be desirable

Experience:

- 2-3 years parish based

Personal Attributes:

Ideally the successful candidate would have many or most of the following attributes:

- Strong practicing congregant with a deep reformed spirituality
- Self motivation
- Compassionate and understanding nature
- Able to keep confidences
- A sense of humour

Knowledge & Skills

- Basic knowledge of scripture, liturgy and theology
- Able to intentionally offer spiritual conversation including prayer and scripture
- Good interpersonal skills and able to relate well to various cultures

Note: The successful candidate will be required to:

- complete a Police Check
- comply with the Code of Ethics in Pastoral Care
<http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/for-parishes/code-of-ethics>