

# **Mt. Rose Reformed Orthodox Presbyterian Church Reno, Nevada**

## **PASTOR VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **OUR CHURCH – BACKGROUND AND HISTORY**

Founded in 2000, Mt. Rose Reformed OPC (Mt. Rose) is a member of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC). We meet at Riverview Seventh-day Adventist Church, located at 7125 West 4th Street, Reno, Nevada. Since 2005, Mt. Rose has been under the leadership of one pastor. He retired in December, 2018 after 13 years of faithful and dedicated service to the Lord and our congregation.

Mt. Rose has a regular attendance of about 65 to 75 people on a Sunday. The congregation includes many families with kids elementary-aged and younger, as well as some singles and empty nesters and only a few junior or high school students. Communicant members number 60, and non-communicant 29. Church members come from all over the greater Reno - Sparks area. This area has a population of about 500,000 people. Surrounded by mountains, water, and wildlife, Reno is a beautiful and easy place to call home.

We currently hold a morning worship service, and afterwards Sunday School classes for adults and children. During the weekly service, we offer nursery for children ages 0-3. We also conduct a worship service twice a month at a nearby convalescent home on Sunday afternoons. Each week there is a prayer meeting on Wednesday and a women's Bible study on Thursday. On one Friday night per month, we hold a family fellowship night to eat a meal together, play games and other sports.

We are a warm and welcoming church. We encourage family worship and catechism for the nurture of our baptized covenant children. As suffering Christians on the pilgrim way, we believe God has given us each other, the body of Christ, to share in corporate worship, and in the joy and sorrows of this life. We hold in high esteem fellowship with one another. We gather each Lord's Day for worship and mutual encouragement. We have a fellowship meal following the morning service once a month, and seek to practice hospitality and informal gatherings among ourselves.

### **POSITION SUMMARY**

The pastor's job description is well-summarized in the OPC's Book of Church Order:

*Christ's undershepherd in a local congregation of God's people, who joins with the ruling elders in governing the congregation, is called a pastor. It is his charge to feed and tend the flock as Christ's minister and with the other elders to lead them in all the service of Christ. It is his task to conduct the public worship of God; to pray for and with Christ's flock as the mouth of the people unto God; to feed the flock by the public reading and preaching of the Word of God, according to which he is to teach, convince, reprove, exhort, comfort, and evangelize, expounding and applying the truth of Scripture with ministerial authority, as a diligent workman approved by God; to administer the sacraments; to bless the people from God; to shepherd the flock and minister the Word according to the particular needs of groups, families, and individuals in the congregation, catechizing by teaching plainly the first principles of the oracles of God to the baptized youth and to adults who are yet*

*babes in Christ, visiting in the homes of the people, instructing and counseling individuals, and training them to be faithful servants of Christ; to minister to the poor, the sick, the afflicted, and the dying; and to make known the gospel to the lost.* – Form of Government, Chapter 8 – Pastors

And as the Apostle Paul instructs pastors in his letters to Timothy:

*Set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity...Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching...Do not neglect the gift you have...Practice these things, immerse yourself in them...Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.* – I Timothy 4:12-16

## **POSITION QUALIFICATIONS**

The minimum qualifications include:

1. Ordained in the OPC, or the ability to be ordained within 6 months.
2. Master of Divinity from an accredited seminary.
3. Committed to reformed theology as set forth in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms.
4. Experienced in expository preaching faithful to the Scriptures.
5. Excellent communication and relationship skills.
6. At least 2 years of pastoral experience is preferred.

## **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

To apply for this position, please provide a cover letter, resume, ministerial information form (MIF), and 2 sermon samples (or a link to recorded sermons) to the Clerk of Session. The cover letter should include the reason for your interest in Mt. Rose OPC.

Send application materials via email to:

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