SENIOR PASTOR

Principle Function: The Senior Pastor (Pastor/Teacher) is responsible to the church to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, to teach the Biblical revelation, to engage in pastoral care ministries, to provide administrative leadership in all areas of church life, and to act as the senior minister of the ministry and support staff.

Qualifications: The pastor must be a licensed or ordained minister of the Gospel. No specified formal education is dictated, however, the pastor must demonstrate appropriate theological, doctrinal, and administrative skill to adequately fulfill the requirements of the position. The graduate of a recognized seminary is to be sought.

Requirements:

- 1. Act as spiritual leader and overseer of the congregation.
- 2. Plan and conduct the worship services; prepare and deliver sermons, lead in observance of the ordinances of the church.
- 3. Lead the church in an effective program of evangelism; plan and conduct a program of community witness.
- 4. Lead the church in a caring ministry for persons in the church and the community.
- 5. Conduct counseling; perform weddings, conduct funerals
- 6. Act as moderator of church business meetings in the absence of the Chairman of the Pastors
- 7. Work with church leaders, program directors and church committees in the planning, training for, conduct and evaluation of church ministries
- 8. Cooperate with local, state, and denominational leaders in matters of mutual interest and concern; keep the church informed of denominational developments; represent the church in denominational and civic matters.
- 9. Act as the Sr. minister and chief administrator of the paid church staff; supervise the work of the ministry staff organization, both lay and paid ministers and directors.