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**The Call System for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

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Membership Presbytery:	CHICAGO PRESBYTERY
Ordination Date:	8/15/1976
Formal Education:	McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, 1982, Doctor of Ministry degree; Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, IN, 1976, Master of Divinity; Morehead State University, Ky., Master in Secondary Education; University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., Bachelor of Arts
Continuing Education:	Studies at Akrofi-Christaller Institute, Ghana, 2011; 5 study leaves to Iona, the last in 2011; Emerging Churches Workshop, 2009; Alban Institute courses; Health & Excellence in Ministry, 2008; beginning Teaching English as a Foreign Language in Fall of 2011; numerous traveling seminars with PCUSA, NCCC, and other (Soviet Union, Russia, Indonesia, E. Europe, Ghana, etc.)
Experience Level:	8 years or more
Employment Type:	Open to both
Minimum Effective Salary:	\$55,000 / Year
Position Types (with experience)	Pastor (Solo) Pastor (Redevelopment/Transformation) Pastor (Yoked/Multiple) Interim Pastor Interim Associate Pastor
Position Types (w/o experience)	Co-Pastor Designated Pastor
Community Types:	Village Town

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	Small City Suburban Urban College Retirement
Church Sizes:	Under 100 members 101 - 250 members 251 - 400 members 401 - 650 members
Geographic Choices:	Unlimited Geographically Limited to miles of
Languages:	English
Primary Skills:	Administrative Leadership Communication (Written / Oral) Congregational Home Visitation Corporate Worship / Sacraments Hospital and Emergency Visitation Pastoral Care Preaching Spiritual Development Teaching Transitional / Interim Ministry
Training / Certification:	(Not Specified)
Clergy Couple?	False
Sexual Misconduct Self-Certification Statement:	<p>I certify below that no civil, criminal, ecclesiastical complaint has ever been sustained or is pending against me for sexual misconduct; and I have never resigned or been terminated from a position for reasons related to sexual misconduct.</p> <p>I have read this certification and release form and fully understand that the information obtained may be used to deny my employment or any other type of position from the employing entity. I also agree that I will hold harmless the employing or judicial authority or any other entity from any and all claims, liabilities, and causes of action for the legitimate release of any information related to sexual misconduct.</p>
Past Experience:	

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Interim Pastor, Downers Grove, IL, 220 members, suburban, Feb. 2011 – Present

Temp. Supply Assoc. Pastor, Arlington Hts., IL, 1660 members, June 2010 -Feb. 2011

Interim Pastor, Hebron, IN, 123 members, rural, Feb. 2009-June 2010

Interim Pastor, Downers Grove, IL, 220 members, suburban, Jan. 2007-Jan. 2009

Solo Pastor, Cedar Rapids, IA, 250 members, small city, Oct. 2001-Jan. 2007

Solo Pastor, Chicago, IL, 100 members, urban, Dec. 1992 – Oct. 2001

General Assembly Staff, Louisville, Ky., 1989-1992

Synod Staff, Columbus, Ohio, 1988-1989

**Other Services:**

CPM of Presbytery of Chicago, Dec. 2010 -

CPM of Presbytery of Wabash Valley, 2009-2010

COM of Presbytery of Chicago, 2007

CPM of Presbytery of E.Iowa, 2002-2007

Commissioner to General Assembly, 2006

**Church Characteristics Desired:**

Characteristics of Church I serve: centered in Christ and sees the Gospel as its mandate; a healthy interest and connection between congregation, the larger community, and the world; initiates ministries to meet the needs of the congregation and surrounding community; values diversity and change; values faithful stewardship, more mission-minded than maintenance-minded; seeks a culture of generosity rather than scarcity.

The Gifts I bring: an excellent, innovative preacher, the nurture of my spiritual life and my educational life; ability to encourage diversity; a wealth of experience in many ministry settings; interest in stewardship; experience in planning for change.

**Accomplishments in present call:**

I serve a suburban church of 220 members. The congregation, St.Luke Presbyterian Church (SLPC) moved into a new sanctuary in 2010 that was in progress when I served St. Luke the first time. The second phase of renovation, an expanded CE wing, is in the planning stages. A PADS program for homeless people is a vital part of SLPC's ministry. For many years, the congregation has provided food, shelter, and referrals to social services.

In 2011, SLPC supported with finances and people, mission trips to Ghana and Minneapolis. SLPC has a new memorial garden. I was asked to return to SLPC for a second time to provide a ministry of healing. I have engaged in conversations, worship experiences, and listening to facilitate that. I have offered innovations in worship that have been well received including celebrations such as "Blessing of the Animals."

**Leadership Style:**

I enjoy working collegially and I work toward consensus. I see myself as a resource person, one who brings information to the table. I listen. I think. Then I speak. I both initiate and step back so that other ideas can come forth.

**Key Theological Issues:**

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The issue of POVERTY, especially of women and children is a major theological issue in both church and society. The scale of physical poverty points to a deep and pervasive SPIRITUAL POVERTY. ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION is a serious problem that illustrates a lack of appreciation and understanding of humankind's role as caretakers and stewards. Though not popular, the Church is called to be an ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY, providing a different model of living in the world. LONELINESS AND ALIENATION is a major issue in church and society.

#### Statement of Faith:

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I believe in the Triune God, the Creator of all that there is. This Creative One is creating still, using the gifts of humankind and the vast web of life in which all is held in interconnectedness and interrelationship. I believe that God created us in God's image to be in relationship and to be co-creators in ongoing creation.

I believe in Jesus the Christ, who was born of woman and of God. Jesus' life shows us what it means to be fully human. Through him we see God's intention and hope of how humankind can live justly and compassionately offering hope to those who need God's liberating and reconciling love. Through Jesus' sinless life, Jesus was one with God showing forth his divine nature. The loving way that he lived his life clashed with the principalities and powers and led to his death on a Cross. Jesus rose again breaking the power of sin and death and now reigns with God.

I believe that the Holy Spirit is present with us, empowering the community of believers to witness to God's love and to work for the reconciliation and wholeness of all. The Spirit, given to us by God, is our teacher, comforter, and inspiration throughout our entire baptismal journey.

God chooses us for relationship and invites us to be in relationship with others in the Church, the Body of Christ. We are welcomed into the Church through the waters of baptism and our journey as baptized persons continues throughout our lives. When sisters and brothers gather at Christ's Table, they partake of Christ's meal through the loaf and cup. This meal connects us to one another as members of the Body of Christ. This nourishing meal strengthens us to go forth into the world to do Christ's work.

The Scriptures tell the story of how God has worked throughout history with God's covenant people. While written by human hands, I believe that the Scriptures are the inspired Word of God.

Sin and brokenness are a part of our reality. We see evidences of sin in broken relationships, war, and poverty. This is evidence of our broken relationship with God that is the foundation for all sin. God loved the world despite sin, and I believe that Christians are called to love the world and to work under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for the good of the world and for its salvation.

When speaking of God, I can only speak "on the edges of language" (S. Ogden) since God is too vast, too wonderful, and too awesome to be captured in human speech or in any image that I may conjure up.

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