

# PASTOR MINISTRY POSITION

Fairplay, Colorado

## THE OPPORTUNITY

South Park Christian Chapel is a non-denominational Chrisitan church that was incorporated on September 29, 1978. The church has a history of biblical preaching, God loving people, and making disciples through corporate worship and community service. South Park Christian Chapel missions' engagement includes local and global outreach. The current body of worshipers in approximately 40 with a modest summer season increase. South Park Christian Chapel has an annual budget of approximately \$75,000 and has a reserve of approximately \$60,000. Leadership is by a competent, Spirit-filled team of Elders committed to fulfilling the mission of South Park Christian Chapel, and meeting the needs of the church and community.

South Park Christian Chapel is seeking a Pastor who is committed to faithfully preaching the complete Word of God, effectively leading the church, involving people in ministry, ministering to the needs of people, and to discipling and equipping the saints.

#### THE COMMUNITY

South Park Christian Chapel is located in Fairplay, the county seat of Park County, Colorado. At 10,000 feet above sea level in the real South Park (not the TV show), Fairplay serves as a cultural hub for county residents who travel up to 30 miles to worship, work, shop, and play. With a population of about 700, Fairplay is a historic gold mining town where history meets the high country. The surrounding, sparsely populated area of South Park has a population of about 5,000 residents. For some, living in the area is challenging due to short summer, winter weather, remoteness, and lack of essential services. Others find living in this rural area very rewarding. Fairplay is approximately 90 miles from both Denver and Colorado Springs via paved (State and Federal) highways. Breckenridge is 25 miles north of Fairplay, over beautiful Hoosier Pass. In addition, the ski areas of Keystone, Arapahoe Basin, and Copper Mountain are in neighboring Summit County. South Park and the surrounding mountain offer trout fishing, deer and elk hunting, hiking, mountain climbing, camping, four-wheeling, and other outdoor activities. Fairplay is home to the famous Burro Days pack burro race and multiple entertainment venues during summer. Autumn marks the turning of aspen leaves to gold and red, which is often spectacular. Fairplay has a medical care facility and an award-winning public school system that includes pre-school through the 12th grade. Please see the Park County website for additional information about the South Park area (https://www.parkco.us/).

## THE CANDIDATE

South Park Christian Chapel is looking for a Pastor to unashamedly preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, courageously addressing controversial and difficult issues with biblical truth and grace. The ideal candidate will be a part-time or full-time pastor experienced in preaching, teaching, discipling, leading, mentoring, and pastoral care. Duties include but are not limited to:

- Being prepared to teach 49 Sundays annually as the primary voice for gospel centered expository preaching (two Sundays off for vacation and one for personal enrichment each year).
- Discipling existing and new members of the body.
- Providing pastoral care to Elders, Sunday school teachers and other church leaders.
- Effectively leading and empowering others toward spiritual goals.
- Exercising continued self- education about Biblical and theological issues.
- Actively supporting home and global missions.
- Representing South Park Christian Chapel in the larger community and other churches in order to reach the lost and promote unity.
- Developing and equipping leaders in the church and community.
- Leading the church by example.

## THE QUALIFICATIONS

- Meet the biblical requirements for Elders as found in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 2.
- Be in full agreement with South Park Christian Chapel's Vision, Mission Statement, What We Believe, What We Practice, Core Values and Bylaws.
- Be currently enrolled in or hold a degree from a Christian college or seminary.
- Demonstrate a clear ability and giftedness in preaching, with a particular talent in expository preaching.
- Possess strong relationship skills.
- Practice servant leadership.
- Possess excellent time management skills and be a self-starter.
- Be a man of compassion, integrity, humility, wisdom, and prayer.
- Be approachable by all in the church and community.
- Live in the Fairplay area part- or full-time (Housing can be provided if needed).
- Be willing to perform pastoral duties and functions with no paid staff.
- Be willing to delegate many different tasks and responsibilities to volunteers.
- Have ministry experience and provide references.

## THE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead the church in a growing ministry of prayer.
- Serve on the church Elder Board, but is also under the oversight and authority of the Elder Board and the congregation in accordance with the church Bylaws.
- Shepard God's flock; serve as an overseer with the other Elders of the church including comforting, visitation, counseling, funerals, and weddings as needed.
- Provide leadership as an Elder member of the Elder Board of the church. Be an exofficio member (without voting rights) of boards (except Elder), committees auxiliary bodies and all other organizations of the church. The pastor will not hold an elected or appointed office of the church except as an Elder.
- Lead the church in regard to vision, direction, and outreach in the community.
- Pray and collaborate with the leaders to identify, articulate, and execute the church's Vision, Mission, Values and Discipleship strategy.
- Oversee, implement, and participate in the Sunday morning ministry of the church including preaching, music, technology, atmosphere, communion, baptisms, etc. with the Elders and other ministry volunteers.
- Tasked (as able) with the creative direction of the church ministries, facilities, online presence, etc. as discussed with the Elder Board.
- Participate annually in a cooperative, ministry review with the Board of Elders. The
  review will include assessing ministry growth, areas of need, fulfillment of the pastor's
  ministry responsibilities, and the effectiveness of the Elder Board leadership. The first
  cooperative review shall be conducted after the first six months, after the pastor enters
  in service.

#### TO APPLY

Please email the Elders of South Park Christian Chapel your resume, other related documents, videos or links of you preaching to office@southparkchapel.com.



## **OUR VISION**

As the body of Christ led by the Holy Spirit, South Park Christian Chapel desires to become more powerful through **prayer**, stronger through inspired **worship** with other believers, warmer through **fellowship** with all people, deeper through effective **discipleship**, more compassionate through **ministry** and **service**, and larger through intentional **outreach** within the community.

## **OUR MISSION**

The mission of SPCC is to connect to God the Creator as members in the body of Christ, to connect in culture with the love of Christ, and make disciples by building relationship bridges of belief in the world and the Word, leading people to faith in Christ, leading to maturity in Christ, leading to ministry for every member in the body of Christ, to the glory of God.

## WHAT WE BELIEVE

#### The Bible is God's Word to Us

The Bible was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is the truth without any mixture of error. (Matthew 7:24-29; Mark 13:31; Psalm 119:89,105,160; Psalm 12:6; Isaiah 40:8; Hebrews 4:12; II Timothy 3:15-17; II Peter 1:20,21; II Timothy 1:13; Proverbs 30:5)

## God is the Creator and Ruler of the Universe

He has eternally existed in three personalities: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God. (Genesis 1:1,26,27; 3:22; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; I Peter 1:2; II Corinthians 13:14)

#### Jesus Christ is the Son of God

Jesus lived a sinless human life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice of the sins of all people by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to Heaven and will return again someday to earth to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. (Matthew 1:22,23; Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1-5, 14:10-13; Hebrews 4:14,15; I Corinthians 15:3,4; Romans 1:3,4; Acts 1:9-11; I Timothy 6:14,15; Titus 2:13)

## The Holy Spirit is Co-Equal with God and Jesus

He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. He gives every believer a spiritual gift when they are saved. As Christians, we seek to live under His control daily. (II Corinthians 3:17; John 16:7-13, 14:16,17; Acts 1:8; II Corinthians 2:12, 3:16; Ephesians 1:13, 5:18; Galatians 5:25)

#### Human Beings are Made in the Spiritual Image of God, to be Like Him in Character

People are the supreme object of God's creation. We were made to know and love God and to reflect his perfect nature of love. We were made to be holy just as He is holy, and everything that is not holy will be destroyed. (Genesis 1:27, 5:1; Psalm 8:3-6; James 3:9; I Peter 1:15-16; II Peter 3:11)

#### All Human Beings Have Sinned

Although every person has a tremendous potential for good, all of us are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called "sin." This attitude separates people from God and causes many problems in life. (Isaiah 53:6a; 59:1,2; Romans3:23)

#### Salvation is God's Free Gift to Us, But We Must Accept It

We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works or being "religious." Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith, we are saved. (Acts 2:37-39; Romans 5:1, 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-9; John 14:6, 1:12; Titus 3:5; Galatians 3:26)

# God Continues His Ministry of Reconciliation through the Church and the Exercising of Spiritual Gifts

We are the new Body of Christ, commissioned to be remade in the image of Christ and to duplicate His ministries. Having our character shaped in the image of Christ and being able to participate in God's work are accomplished through the power of the Holy Spirit in us. (I Corinthians 12:12,27; II Corinthians 5:18,19; Ephesians 4:12,13; I Peter 4:10-12)

## WHAT WE PRACTICE

Beliefs are not worth much unless they are translated into actions. Based on what the Bible teaches, we believe the following should be practiced by the church.

#### The Bible is our sole authority and guide. (II Timothy 3:15-17)

Since God's Word is the only completely reliable and truthful authority, we accept the Bible as our manual for living. Our first question when faced with a decision is "What does the Bible say?" We encourage the practice of daily Bible reading, Bible study, and Bible memorization. The Bible is the basis for all we believe.

#### Autonomy of each local church. (Colossians 1:18)

Christ is the recognized head of our church, not any person, group, or religious organization. While recognizing the value of associating and cooperating with other groups of Christians, we believe every local church should be self-governing.

#### Plurality of Elders. (Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5-9; I Peter 5:1-5)

No one person has all the gifts nor all the responsibility. The Elders are the spiritual overseers of the church. They are recognized as being spiritually mature and being servant leaders.

#### Priesthood of all believers. (I Peter 2:9)

The Bible teaches that every Christian is called to "full-time" Christian service, regardless of his or her vocation. We practice the truth that every believer is a minister by encouraging every member to find a place of service and ministry. Every Christian has direct access to God through prayer and Bible reading.

## Tithing of income. (Malachi 3:10)

At SPCC we practice tithing for the support of Christ's Body, the church, as God commands. We recognize that giving 10% of our income is the Bible standard of giving.

#### Baptism by immersion. (Colossians 2:12)

We practice baptism of people who have turned to Jesus by immersion under water — the way Jesus was baptized, and the way the Bible commands.

#### Taking communion weekly. (Acts 20:7)

In the New Testament Church, the Lord's Supper was celebrated regularly when Christ's followers gathered. We model this approach of remembering the Lord's sacrificial death for us every week.

#### Spirit-led living. (John 15:5)

We believe the only way possible to live the Christian life is by God's power within us. Through daily Bible study and prayer, we seek to practice a day-to-day dependence on God's Spirit to enable us to do what is right.

## Telling others about Christ. (I Peter 3:15)

It is the responsibility of every Christian to share the Good News with those God has given us a relationship with. We practice personal sharing about Christ and invite friends to church.

## **OUR CORE VALUES**

#### We Embrace

- Biblical Authority
- Relational Intimacy
- Authentic Community
- Gifted Service
- Excellence
- Relational Evangelism