

Garwood Presbyterian Church
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The Garwood Presbyterian church is a congregation of the Presbyterian believers which has continuously been in existence since 1905. This church remains in existence for the purpose of service and worship according to the Christian faith, doctrine and word as set forth in the Holy Scriptures and as applied in practice in the reformed tradition of the Presbyterian faith.

Garwood is a small town but is located in a well populated area. Our church is housed in a lovely Tudor-style building. We have rooms to hold Sunday school for all ages, two large fellowship halls, a full kitchen, a large Narthex and a beautiful sanctuary for worship. We have been given faithful Christian men and women to serve as elders, deacons and shepherds. We offer a weekly children's church during worship services, a contemporary praise team and monthly Hymn sings. We are committed to bible study and have a faithful women's group, both a men's bible study and a young adults group that meet regularly year round. Our vacation bible school is a tremendous outreach serving children in our community and the surrounding area through a dedicated and faithful staff.

Presbyterians have been of two minds about essential tenets. We recognize that just as there are some central and foundational truths of the gospel affirmed by Christians everywhere, so too there are particular understandings of the gospel that define the Presbyterian and Reformed tradition. All Christians must affirm the central mysteries of the faith, and all those who are called to ordered ministries in a Presbyterian church must also affirm the essential tenets of the Reformed tradition. We are looking to fill our lead pastor position with a candidate who is living in obedience to the word of God. Who shall meet the new testament requirements for office as described in 1 Timothy 3:1-7.

Our Prayer: O God, make the doors of your house wide enough to receive all who need love, fellowship and a Father's care; and narrow enough to shut out all envy, malice, pride, and hate. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to little children, to weak or straying feet; but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. O Lord, make the doors of Your house, the gateway to Your Eternal Kingdom. Amen

Church Size: 50 (Number of covenant partners)

Average Worship Attendance: 45

Church School Attendance: 6

Leadership structure & Staff Positions: (full and part time, paid and unpaid)

Session – 7 Elders

Deacons – 6 lead Deacons 1 junior

Shepherds - 6

Church Secretary (PT)

Pastoral Care Chaplin (PT)

Director of Sunday school (PT)

Praise & Worship Team (PT)

Choir Director (PT)

Sexton (PT)

Community Profile

The Borough of Garwood, located in the central portion of Union County is nestled between the Townships of Cranford and Westfield. It is less than one square mile with a population of 4,233. That includes 1,778 households, and 1,118 families residing in the borough.

Garwood grew up with the Jersey Central railroad and was named after Samuel Garwood, the president of a land company organized by the railroad. The first modern settlers lived in 75 homes and most worked for the Hall Signal Co., the first factory, and the Hercules Tube works, famous for bicycle tubing, which was built by John R. Maxwell, onetime Jersey Central President. Garwood was also home to the Aeolian organ company who, when Fire protection was so uncertain the Aeolian Company organized its own fire department.

Position to Be Filled

XX Pastor (Head of Staff)
 Associate Pastor
 Assistant Pastor

Specify Title (if appropriate) Pastor and head of staff

Employment Status

Full Time XX Part Time Open to Either

Years of Experience Desired

XX First Ordained Call XX less than 2 years XX 2 years or more

Deadline date for application: 2019

Position Description: Lead Pastor and Head of Staff (Part Time)

Our Denomination – ECO: The Covenant order of Evangelical Presbyterians

We are a part of the ECO Northeast Coast Presbytery, which includes northern NJ, metro NY and New England.

Much information about ECO is available at <http://eco-pres.org>

The Essential tenets and Confessional standards can be found at [ECO's Theology document](#) .

Narrative on the Health of Mission and Ministry

Our mission as followers of the Way is to bring the full gospel about Christ to a hurting world with the Holy Spirit and the Word of God as our guide. We are a loving congregation that believes Jesus is the son of the living God who died on the cross and then rose from the grave – conquering death to give us salvation. Supporting missionaries both around the world as well as locally, has been an extremely integral part of our church from its early years and continues to be today

Job Description

WEEKLY/DAILY = 20(+/-) hours/week

Shall be accountable to Session and personnel elder

- Lead/Plan Sunday Worship services (Coordinate with Church secretary/Clerk of Session)
- Visitations as needed or requested
- Support Midweek Bible Study
- Observe office hours (about 2 weekdays per week)
- Lead and coordinate 30 services per year, and coordinate with Church secretary to fill pulpit on the remaining Sundays.
- Moderate Session Meetings once a month
- Commit to live by ECO standards and follow through on ECO expectations as needed

ANNUAL/SEASONAL

- Special Services
ASH Wednesday, Maundy Thursday (Communion), Good Friday, Christmas Eve,
- Prepare Pastor's Annual Report for Congregational booklet
- Christian Education (Attend & assist as needed)

OCCASSIONALLY AS NEEDED

- New Member's Class – work with Clerk of Session
- Funerals - be available to support member services- (Fee's covered by family)
- Weddings & Pre-marital Counseling -(Fee's covered by family)
- Training for new Elders & Deacons –(work with Clerk of Session)

When God leads us to the candidate of His choice, we can be flexible in making adjustments to the above hours and duties to better fit candidates' availability and gifts.

Compensation and Housing.

The Personnel Committee, in partnership with the PNC and with the approval of the Session, will negotiate the terms based on years of service and experience level, and in alignment with the ECO Minimum Terms of Call requirements.

Minimum **Effective** Salary \$30,000.00__ Maximum **Effective** Salary \$ 40,000.00

Housing Type Manse
 Housing Allowance
 Open To Either
 Not Applicable

Geographic Scope of Search

The congregation is open to candidates from most areas: OPEN

References

Name: Reverend Isaac Ahn _____

Address: 2 Quinby Court, Parsippany, NJ 07054 _____

Phone Numbers: 732-991-8968 _____

Relation: Temporary/Interim Pastor _____

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Name: Pastor Jeff Ebert _____

Address: 1307 Springfield Avenue, New Providence, NJ 07974 _____

Phone Numbers: 908-665-0050 _____

Relation: Lead Pastor of New Providence Presbyterian church in ECO Northeast

E-mail: jebert@thecornernj.com

Name: Dean Gavaris (Exec. Director - Gateway Pregnancy) _____

Address: Gateway Pregnancy Center, P. O. Box 1793, Union, N 07083 _____

Phone Numbers: 973-399-8378 (work) and 908-436-7515 _____

Relation: One of our Mission partners for many years _____

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Pastor Nominating Committee/Search Committee Chairperson Detail:

Chairperson is Primary contact for all applicants

Name John A Nardone
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Endorsements

Pastor Nominating Committee Chairperson

Search Committee *John A. Nardone* Date 8/01/2019

Signature

Clerk of Session *Nan Sclafani* Date 7/22/2019

Signature

Presbytery *Suzanne Geiger* Date 8/1/2019

Signature

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