

WORSHIP

liturgical in format
Reformed in perspective
scriptural in content
diverse in musical styles
lectionary-based
contemporary and celebratory in expression

MINISTRY SETTINGS

multiple arenas urban and suburban academic and cross-cultural prison, hospital, housing projects children, youth, seniors lower income, upper income

PROGRAM VARIETY

preaching and pastoral care worship planning education classes for all ages Bible studies ESL classes refugee resettlement prayer groups tutoring food pantry anti-racism training small group ministries mission trips counseling community calling

RICH RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

competent staff
experienced musicians and worship leaders
liturgy experts
choreographers, dramatists, composers
Calvin Institute of Christian Worship
communication experts
journal reading, theological analysis
multiple non-profit ministry experiences

Church of the Servant Mission Statement

We are a community of Christ's servants, a home for God's children, and a prism for God's light in liturgy and life.

We are called to be a reconciling community in Christ, one that proclaims the good news of salvation, celebrates God's healing grace, nurtures the growth and gifts of God's people, and restores the joy of God's reign.

As children of the light, we desire

- to worship with a liturgy that is catholic and celebrative, and calls all members to participate;
- to prepare God's people for service and create a fellowship where the burdened and suffering will find support and comfort, where the alienated will be accepted, where those seeking God will be shown the way, and where those who have ministries will be affirmed; and
- to present Christ to others by showing God's love in Jesus for the world and promoting justice and peace for our neighbors near and far.

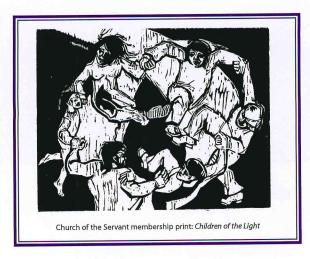
Unique in worship and architecture

Church of the Servant is unique in its worship style, combining ecumenical liturgy with Reformed theology and a rich collage of the arts — visual, music, dance — and celebrating Holy Communion weekly.

Church of the Servant is unique in its architecture — colorful, thoughtful design, giving dignity to the ordinary, emphasizing light and the communion circle.

Church of the Servant offers unique opportunities for enrichment and development for many reasons:

- our strong roots in the Reformed and evangelical traditions
- our particular perspectives and worship practices that respect both the Church's past and contemporary culture
- our vibrant worship committed to celebrating liturgy, visual art, dance and a mosaic of musical styles
- our commitment to pursue informed social action
- the broad mix of gifts and ministry experience within the congregation
- our partnerships with congregations that contrast and complement Church of the Servant, which offer the residents a broader ministry experience



We are looking for Resident Pastors who:

- aim to love and serve Jesus Christ, their Savior and Lord
- display Jesus' character qualities, among them: compassion, hospitality, kindness, joy, humility, Kingdom passion, love for God's Word
- are Reformed in theological understanding and practice
- welcome the stranger, instruct and encourage fellow believers, care for the living and the dying—in Christ's name

We pledge to help our Resident Pastors to:

- cultivate a balanced Christian life of worship, work and leisure
- grow in pastoral identity
- develop a ministry of outreach (in collaboration with the deacons)
- develop a ministry of assimilation (in collaboration with the elders)
- focus on two ministerial practices: leading worship and equipping others for ministry
- set specific, attainable, measurable goals



For further information or for a more detailed description of the program, contact the program administrator:

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TO APPLY

Send a copy of your vitae, your seminary transcript, a one-two page essay on why you wish to participate in this program, and two recommendations (one from a faculty member and one from a recent supervising pastor) to Rev. Dale Cooper at the above address.

Application deadline: March 31, 2011
Interviews will be scheduled in April, 2011
Decisions will be announced in late April, 2011
Residents will begin working in August, 2011

MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Jack Roeda, Senior Pastor
Lori Wiersma, Minister of Administration
Janice McWhertor, Minister of Congregational Life
Janifer DeVos, Minister of Education
Greg Scheer, Minister of Worship
Judy Ko, Minister to Youth
Rev. Anthony Curran, Pastor of Outreach
Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys, Pastor of Outreach

Pastoral Residency Program

