

## **Priest-in-Charge — Position Description**

### **Trinity†St. Peter's San Francisco seeks a part-time Priest-in-Charge.**

Trinity†St. Peter's San Francisco is a lively, welcoming, urban church dedicated to community outreach through healing, helping to feed and shelter the homeless, and actively seeking new ways to do Christ's work in the world. We have realized new energy and enthusiasm after beginning to optimize use of our church building with new focus upon the visual and performing arts and upon use of additional multiple spaces for vital ministries. To this end, we are engaged in a seismic strengthening project of the 1892 landmark Trinity Church complex, funded by a capital campaign. In addition, we have recently refurbished St. Peter's Hall, a large fellowship and meeting space adjacent to the sanctuary, and have completely renovated our rectory as well as an additional building on that property which is being leased as office space for another SF church. Our goal is to use our church buildings for the enhancement of mission work.

We currently have one worship service weekly: an 11:00 a.m. choral Eucharist on Sundays. We are attentive to the possibility of expanding our weekly service offerings having had to discontinue our Wednesday Taizé service after twenty-two years once COVID restrictions kept us from in-person worship. An extensive music program forms a central aspect of our worship and, although our commitment to this remains, we have had to make adjustments in the interest of COVID safety. We are a lay-led, activist congregation comprised of loving individuals with diverse backgrounds, outlooks and lifestyles.

### **Qualities we hope you will bring:**

- The gift of being able to articulate to congregants and to the larger community the scope and importance of our mission and ministry

Our congregation includes several members who travel from remote corners of the Bay Area and beyond to attend services at Trinity†St. Peter's. We are looking for a gifted communicator who can telegraph the immediate relevance of God's love, and the church's role as the body of Christ, both to present congregants and to more of our neighbors in San Francisco, especially among the unchurched.

- The knack of inspiring, exhorting, empowering and enabling congregants to engage more fully in the life of the church while growing increasingly attuned and responsive to new voices

We are called to grow our congregation by encouraging deeper involvement in our existing programs among current parishioners at the same time that we remain open to change, as may be necessary in order to attract and retain new members.

- Commitment to a mind-set of collaboration, transparency and continuing communication

We seek a clergy leader dedicated to involving congregants and staff in decision-making and outreach, while taking fullest advantage of every opportunity to apprise the congregation of new developments and long-term strategies.

- The ability to integrate visionary leadership with day-to-day administrative responsibilities

We seek a clergy leader who brings bold new ideas, along with the tenacity, focus and attention to detail that will ensure consistent follow-through in implementing them.

- Humor, thoughtfulness, compassion, dynamism and approachability that allow you to engage and serve current and potential new members, while living your faith and guiding us on our spiritual journey

We seek a clergy leader whose preaching demonstrates an awareness of the many challenges and concerns so many of us share, and who can offer a spiritual perspective for navigating those challenges.

**Functions we hope you will be inspired to perform:**

- Forge partnerships with community organizations
- Engage in pastoral activities and coordinate other outreach service efforts
- Working together with the music director, coordinate our extensive music program, ensuring that musical selections are worshipfully integrated into preaching and liturgy
- Develop and implement strategies for stewardship and congregational growth, focusing especially on young people.