

Twinned with the Methodist Church of Sierra Leone

# Job Description

**Post:** Lay Pastor: Initially this appointment will be for twelve months.

- **Hours:** 10 hours per week including evening and weekend work.
- **Location:** Peel Methodist Church.
- Accountability: This is a circuit appointment accountable to the Circuit Meeting. The Circuit Leadership Team will appoint one named line manager.
- **Reporting to:** Line Manager
- Purpose: To co-ordinate the Worship Team in the delivery of the established pattern of all age, family friendly and contemporary worship. To provide leadership for and encourage growth of the church and it's links within the community.

## Aims:

To encourage the continuing development of the worship life of the church, providing leadership for the Worship Team; linking with visiting preachers / supernumerary minister for the west as appropriate.

To help members of the church grow spiritually.

To encourage and work alongside the membership of the church; nurturing involvement in the local community to develop mission opportunities.

## **Responsibilities:**

The job will include, but not be limited to, the following responsibilities which will be reviewed and monitored regularly.

## Worship

To Co-ordinate the Worship Team in the planning, preparation and delivery of inclusive, welcoming, all age; family friendly and contemporary worship on a weekly basis, participating when necessary.

To liaise with planned preachers and supernumerary minister for the west as appropriate.

To lead or be involved in pastoral services such as funerals, baptisms and weddings, for members of the church and community as required.

## **Pastoral care**

To pray regularly for, and with, church members by name.

To walk alongside members of the church and community in the good times and bad, ministering to those in need and supporting the bereaved.

To offer and develop the Church's pastoral ministry.

### Spiritual growth

To take responsibility for your own personal spiritual development.

To provide opportunities for church members to learn and pray together; through small groups and other events.

To encourage members to engage in circuit events.

### Mission

To identify and take opportunities for self and members of the churches to share the good news of Jesus.

To develop relationships with the local community and community groups to enable the church to be a part of the local community.

Attend and input into Church Council and other church meetings as necessary.

### Connections

To be involved in the life of the Circuit, attending Staff, Circuit and other meetings as required.

Identify and participate in relevant training opportunities.

### **Person requirements**

There is a genuine occupational requirement that the post holder be a practising Christian.

DBS required.