

The Lakewood Church of Christ in Lakewood, CO seeks a Spirit-led Communicator(Preaching Minister)

Responsibilities include:

1) Delivery of messages that are

Transformational – Messages should open people's eyes to the wonders of God's goodness, power, and love and to our calling to reflect that image. Themes should be chosen from the depth and breadth of the Holy Scriptures.

Culturally Relevant – Effort should be made to understand our Colorado culture and what everyday folks experience. Be creative and culturally on point.

Inclusive – Messages should reflect God's desire to reconcile with the whole human family through Jesus, regardless of a person's background. Connect both with the kind of people who know the Lord as revealed in the Bible and with people who have mostly known God by the majesty of our Colorado mountains and the glimpses of the divine image in their neighbors. Also build bridges between people of varying backgrounds, generations, and cultures.

Truthful – People should be challenged to change. Lies of idolatry, divisiveness, and faithlessness should be exposed and brought into the light of God's unfathomable goodness.

Motivating – We are a church of around 250 ministers . . . equip us and spur us on to love and good works.

2) Coordination with ministry team

Under the guidance of the elders, the person should coordinate with our youth pastor, children's minister, worship leader and other staff in a unifying way to plan and execute:

- a. soul-sustaining opportunities for the church family and
- b. life-giving involvement among the beautiful people in our community.

3) Grieving with those who grieve; celebrating with those who celebrate

- a. Come alongside people who are experiencing sickness, struggles, or death.
- b. Cheer on people who have victories.

Character traits we seek:

In love (God should be your passion and sustenance.)

Thirsty (You should have drunk deeply enough of the water of life that you're desperate for more.)

Humble (You're going to make mistakes. We're okay with that. Are you?)

Generous (Not talking about money here. Generosity of spirit is what we seek . . . see the image of God in others.)

Balanced (Take time off to remind yourself who's really God. It's not you, and that's a good thing. So rest one day a week or so, okay?)

Hopeful (You should be old enough to have died to idealism and young enough to have not succumbed to the demon of cynicism. We have 20-year-olds and 80-year-olds who fit this bill, so it's not really about your age.)

Kind (To everyone. Yes, even *that* guy.)

The Nuts and Bolts:

Our Church

Please see the description of our core beliefs on our website.

<https://www.lakewoodchurchofchrist.com/lcc/about/what-we-believe/>

Before applying, please check out a recent recorded worship service on the church youtube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/lkwdcochurchofchrist/videos>

The Day to Day

- Preaching: We expect you to preach about 75% of the Sunday morning sermons.
- Spiritual Guidance: We are not looking for a counselor. We want someone who is equipped in discipleship and evangelism. Someone who can help people know God.
- Community Outreach: Help us coordinate efforts to spread the message of Christ.
- Teaching
- Life Group Participation: Additional leadership and training would be desirable.
- Coordination with the Ministry Team
- Other areas as your skills, interests, and time allow

Education and Experience

Required:

- A baptized believer in Christ with a gift for motivation and encouragement
- An individual who is Spirit-led
- Proven experience in the church ministry environment

Preferred:

- Ministry Degree from a Christian University
- Several years of preaching experience

To Apply:

Please send Letter of Intent, Resume, and Link to a recent sermon to

searchteam@lakewoodcc.net

