

## **CHURCH OVERVIEW**

Driftwood Christian church is a warm, multi-generational Christian church that has faithfully served Driftwood township near Vallonia, Indiana for over 210 years. We are a close-knit , Christ-centered congregation that values growing God's Kingdom by leading others to Christ, through Sunday School, small group studies and youth group studies and activities. Our heritage is rooted in the Restoration movement and we seek to use New Testament teachings to win people to faith in Jesus Christ and commit them actively to the church, to help them grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ so that they may know and do His will, working for the unity of all Christians in building the Kingdom of God.

The membership of the church shall consist of persons who have obeyed the scriptural teaching on becoming a Christian. That is to say having heard the Scriptural testimony of Christ, believed such testimony to be true, believed Jesus Christ to be the only begotten Son of the living God without reservation, repented toward Christ, confessed His name before witnesses, been buried with Him by baptism (i.e. immersion ) and thus resolved to abide by the teaching of Christ as presented in the New Testament.

## **POSITION SUMMARY**

The Senior Minister will serve as the spiritual leader and primary preacher of Driftwood Christian Church; guiding the church through biblical teaching, visionary leadership and pastoral care. We are seeking a servant-hearted leader who can honor our rich heritage while helping us engage the next generation with the gospel.

## **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Preaching & Teaching**

1. Provide biblically sound, Spirit-led preaching and teaching during weekly services, with clarity, compassion and boldness.
2. Plan and lead sermon series aligned with the church's mission and spiritual growth goals.
3. Support adult education ministries such as Sunday School, small groups and Bible studies.

### **Vision & Leadership**

1. Work alongside the elders and church leadership to cast and implement vision for the church's future.
2. Encourage members spiritual growth, evangelism, and community outreach
3. Mentor and equip ministry leaders, volunteers, and staff to use their gifts effectively.
4. Work with the Sheperding list and all functional and special committees to assist in evolving and carryout their responsibilities set forth in the church constitution.

### **Pastoral Care**

1. Provide pastoral counseling, visitation (homebound, hospitalized, nursing home, etc.) and support to individuals and families.
2. Officiate weddings, funerals, baptisms, and other life events.
3. Foster a welcoming, nurturing church environment where all feel known and loved.  
(Develop an "every-member-has-a- ministry (per elders)

### **Administration & Collaboration**

1. Attend and contribute to elder meetings, leadership retreats, and planning session.
2. Assist with communication and organizational efforts as needed (keep congregation informed-Transparency)
3. Maintain & supervise membership list

**Qualifications**

1. A growing, personal relationship with Jesus Christ
2. Bachelor's degree in Bible, ministry
3. Ordained or recognized within the Restoration Movement as pertained to in Christian Churches.
4. Proven experience in preaching, leadership and pastoral care.
5. Strong interpersonal and communication skills
6. A shepherd's heart, a collaborative spirit, and a commitment to servant leadership.

**Preferred Qualities**

1. Experience ministering in a small to medium-sized congregation.
2. A love for both church tradition and innovation
3. Ability to establish relationships with all members
4. Ability to connect with people of various ages, backgrounds, and life stages, using the shepherding system at DCC to meet needs of members

**Responsibilities set forth by elders** (revised 3/31/25)

- 1 Corinthians 4:9...Must live by example-our most effective testimony
- Revelation 22:17...Must Love people-establish relationship
- 1 Corinthians 9:22...Must meet all people in order to save some
- Ephesians 4:32...Practice Kindness-will open doors
- Mark 2:17...Must look for sinners-those in need can't respond if not asked.
- John 4:21-24...Be ready to talk to anyone
- John 16:7-15...Seek and use Holy Spirit
- 1 Timothy 4:1-7...Adhere to qualifications set forth here
- Acts 2:38-39...Adhere to church's original instruction-Save the lost