

Hoadley Evangelical Missionary Church

Transitional Pastoral Profile

The Hoadley Evangelical Missionary Church is looking for a Transitional Pastor to lead the church through the next phase of their church life. The transitional pastor needs to have skill sets in:

- leading the church through closure, in dealing with the past in such a way that it does not hinder or restrict what God is wanting to do in the future
- relevant preaching and communicating the word of God designed with this church in mind
- short term administration, or ensure that it is being done by someone
- pastoral care for the congregation and/or ensure that it is being done
- relational renewal, connecting the people both with God and with each other
- vision renewal, helping the congregation listen and discern what God is saying to them
- structural renewal, helping the congregation discern what structures to keep and let go
- the pastoral search process, in working with the church to find the right pastor who will lead the congregation into the future that God has for them

For further information please contact Pastoral Search Chair, John Peacock at:

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Community Profile:

Hoadley EM Church is located in a rural community in the county of Ponoka, 14 miles north of Rimbey, AB. It is within a 2 hour drive of Edmonton, Red Deer and Calgary. Hoadley is a farming and resource based community in the scenic Parkland. Rimbey services the area with excellent medical and educational facilities. There are also many community halls which are used for various social events by both church and community members. Rimbey website is:

<http://www.rimbey.com>

Church Profile:

Hoadley Evangelical Missionary church was established in 1934 and the current building was completed in 1982. The sanctuary seats 180 and is debt-free. The building includes two kitchens, classrooms, pastor's office and a recently completely library/fireside room. There is also a Christian Education building with additional classrooms located next to the church. The church parsonage was built in the 1960s. It has three bedrooms, a developed basement and a detached garage. Weekly attendance before COVID restrictions was approximately 70 people each week. Average attendance dropped significantly throughout the pandemic but now has returned to approximately 60 people a week.

Our most recent pastor served for 15 years and resigned January, 2022. The age demographic of the church is diverse with families with young children, young singles and youth as well as retirees attending regularly. Children programming has been an important focus of church ministry and includes children's church, a summer VBS program and a semimonthly Kids Club which is held at a local school. The youth group runs programming on a biweekly basis and working with other church and community groups on alternate weeks. Women's ministries

include fund-raising activities, Bible studies and social events. Church music ministry includes several worship teams who play each month. The missions committee oversees communication and the support of several international missionary families. An annual church campout is held every summer and the church enjoys sharing monthly meals together after the morning service.

Hospitality is greatly valued by this church and church members are looking forward to hosting our new pastor in their homes and welcoming him to our community.