

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church Faith Community Nurse Job Notice/Advertisement

The Gettysburg Presbyterian Church (GPC) is seeking a qualified RN or LPN with minimum 5 years of relevant experience with valid, current license to serve part time as a Faith Community Nurse (FCN). The FCN will support the well-being of the GPC membership by contributing to the development and maintenance of an organized congregational health ministry. The FCN, if possible, should complete certification as a Faith Community Nurse within the first year of employment.

The FCN Health ministry will promote health and wholeness in the name of Jesus. The ministry is for all members of GPC and the wider Gettysburg community. The relationship between the FCN and the individual provides spiritual, social and emotional care leading to healthy faith-based communication and healing.

The GPC Faith Community Nurse will serve as:

Health Counselor: Listen to and speak with persons regarding their health issues and problems. Make home, hospital and nursing home visits as needed. Offer presence and prayer during times of crisis and celebration.

Advocate: Assess/observe individuals for any health-related needs and interests. Speak-up for individual needs and offer possible solutions (i.e. accompany to medical visit).

Health Educator: Provide health information and health awareness including educating people about different chronic conditions and diseases. Emphasize preventative health care through education, screening and assessments. Promote the understanding of the relationship between faith and health. Facilitate educational workshops, support groups and free clinics as developed within the FCN health ministry. (i.e. Blood Pressure Screening Sundays, education events)

A Link to Resources: Be a resource for the Stephen Ministry program and Deacon Ministry of the GPC congregation. Link congregation members to community and/or spiritual resources. Coordinate with other health officials in the best interest of the patient.

A Spiritual Presence: Work in conjunction with the GPC pastoral care team in the care-giving ministry of the church. Listen, pray, support and encourage through personal visits, telephone calls and other means of contact.

Hours to include Sundays as approved by Session based on worship times and availability, other days and hours are flexible and conform to needs and programs. The ability to drive and have access to a reliable, working vehicle; maintain a current driver's license and auto liability insurance is required.

In addition to the liability coverage provided by the church, the FCN will carry his/her own liability insurance which will be filed with the church office.

The FCN will NOT provide invasive/hands-on skilled care or provide medical diagnoses, replace regular medical appointments maintain medical records, fill pill dispensers or provide transportation.

To apply for the Faith Community Nurse, send resume and cover letter to: Gettysburg Presbyterian Church, 208 Baltimore Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325 or email info@gettysburgpresbyterian.org.