

Employment Opportunities

Community of Christ International Headquarters:

Coordinator, Leading Congregations in Mission. This full-time Executive Minister position Coordinates the continued development, implementation and support of pastor and congregational leaders formation in partnership with field, mission center leaders, and IHQ staff. Qualified candidates will be an ordained minister in Community of Christ, and have served as a pastor or as part of a congregational leadership team and have strong verbal and written communication skills. To view the complete position description, visit <http://www.cofchrist.org/hr/Jobs.asp>

Please send letter of interest, application and resume to Human Resource Ministries, 1001 W. Walnut, Independence, MO 64050 or hrm@cofchrist.org.

Sr. Graphic Designer/Art Director. This full-time Staff Executive position uses knowledge of current graphic design software to produce graphic art and visual materials for print and web materials. Qualified candidates will have a creative portfolio that demonstrates strong skills in art design/direction, have effective interpersonal and communication skills and have the ability to organize work and manage tasks from multiple projects at one time. To view the complete position description, visit <http://www.cofchrist.org/hr/Jobs.asp>

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Volunteer Opportunities

Holiday Volunteer Decorators Needed



Christmas is a joyous time of year when we celebrate Christ's birth. Come and share your creative skills decorating the Temple and Auditorium for the holiday season. We need your helpful hands and inspiring talents. Get your name on the list today. If you wish to help or know of someone who is, please contact Volunteer Resource Ministries at 816-833-1000, ext. 2020, www.CofChrist.org/volunteers/

Help is also needed taking down the decorations in early January.

Interested in Prison Ministries?

Greg Savage is involved with a group who has started a prison ministry. It seeks to help those in the Kansas City area, but also want to assist those throughout the U.S. They're looking for those who are interested in being involved in prison ministries. If interested, contact prisonministry@live.com.



If anyone knows a person who is incarcerated either in the Kansas City area or somewhere else in the United States that might want some kind of Community of Christ contact, please send their information to prisonministry@live.com.

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Educational Opportunities

Temple School Class for Evangelists

December 2 and 3, 2011

Continents Room, The Temple, Independence, Missouri.

The course is primarily for ordinands, but evangelists who would like a refresher are most welcome . . . as are companions of evangelists.

The instructor-facilitators for the course will be David Brock, Presiding Evangelist; Tom Mountenay, Order Secretary; Bob Kyser, Staff Pastor at IHQ and former Senior President of Seventy; and other evangelists with knowledge and experience as ministers of blessing.

Texts can be ordered on the Herald House Website:
<http://www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp?p=115260>

or by calling Customer Service 8 am to 5 pm Monday – Friday using the Toll-Free number: 1-800-767-8181 or emailing them at sales@heraldhouse.org and requesting a copy of TS-PA222 Evangelists: Sharing a New World of Blessing. ISBN: 9780830912667 SKU: 9780830912667. The text price is \$20.00 before tax and shipping.

Free downloadable supplemental material for students and teachers of this course is available at <http://www.CofChrist.org/evangelist/PA222.asp>

Lunch will not be provided but can be obtained at nearby restaurants.

NOTE: All who participate are expected to have studied the complete text prior to the class on December 2-3.

If you plan to come to the course, please inform Staff Assistant, Nicole Robison, at 816-833-1000, or at nrobison@cofchrist.org by November 11.

The Community of Christ Seminary and Temple School co-sponsor the MEADS (Ministerial Education and Discipleship Studies) program. The courses offer a concentrated study of foundational theology, church history, scripture, and practical ministry formation.

Register NOW for

MEADS (Ministerial Education & Discipleship Studies).

February 6 – 10, 2012

at the Temple, Independence MO.

Courses offered:

Public Ministry – Robin Linkhart instructor (8:30 am – noon)

Hebrew Scriptures – Wim van Klinken instructor (1:30 – 5 pm)

Pursue Peace on Earth – Brad Martell instructor (1:30 – 5 pm)

The “Pursue Peace on Earth” course is an excellent opportunity to go deeper into this mission initiative. The hope of Zion will become reality when we live Christ’s peace and generously share his peace with others. *This course is not part of the MEADS 12-course certificate program, however, you can earn Temple School credit. **The cost for this course is \$25.00.***

Fees for Public Ministry and Hebrew Scriptures are \$50 to audit one course, \$88 for one course and \$175 for two courses.

To register for the February, 2012 session or if you have questions contact Michelle Booth at mbooth@cofchrist.org or 816-833-1000 ext. 1459.

Events

Pipes and Voices with the Spire Chamber Ensemble
Sunday, November 20 ~ 7pm
Community of Christ Peace Temple
\$10 Tickets at the door

At the center of this program will be one of the great masterpieces for organ and chorus, Kodály's Missa Brevis. Composed in Budapest during the darkest days of WWII, this mystical, deeply emotional piece exhibits a virtual symphony of colors and moods: from the thrilling exultation of the "Gloria" to the deep darkness of the "Crucifixus," the mystical radiance of the "Sanctus," and finally the ultimate peace...the concluding measures of the "Agnus Dei."

Other Works include compositions by William Mathias, Felix Mendelssohn, Johannes Brahms, Arvo Pärt, and others.

The Spire Chamber Ensemble is unique as the only regional choral group bringing together some of the best choral artists from around the United States and Canada to Kansas City for a specific concert. We also attain our distinct and exquisite sound utilizing countertenors to sing alto parts.

Each choral artist has learned the specific program independently and is exacting in their craft. With the creative and artistic skills of founder and conductor, Ben A. Spalding, and just a few days of intense rehearsals, a collage of beauty and transformative sound is created.

Midlands Mission Center

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November

1 Election Day
5 **MMC Fall Conference, Olathe**
6 Daylight Saving Time ends
14 Veteran's Day
24 Thanksgiving, office closed
25 office closed
27 First Sunday in Advent

December

2 4 Messiah Performance - Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts
11 Temple Advent Service, 7 p.m.
25 Christmas
26-30 office closed

I don't usually cry at all-you-can-eat buffets (unless they're out of my favorite food item) but I recently was moved to tears at a local restaurant as I witnessed an elderly couple having dinner together. The wife was in a wheelchair and looked much disheveled and probably suffered from Alzheimer's. Her husband was very gently and patiently feeding her and wiping her chin after each bite and only after she had finished did he go get his meal.

I was touched by this experience of "unconditional love" and was struck with a similar sense of God's patience and tenderness with each of us. A God that loves us so much that he sent his son to wipe our chins from time to time.

Shalom,
Mike Hale