



The River Conference

of the Free Methodist Church

Opportunity for Lead Pastor: Colville, WA

The River Conference of the Free Methodist Church USA is looking for the next Lead Pastor at Colville Free Methodist Church in Colville, WA (www.colvillefree.com). Colville is a small town rural community of about 5000 residents located 71 miles northwest of Spokane, WA. It is the county seat and largest city in Stevens County, which has a population of about 48,000 residents. Colville FMC is over 120 years old and worships about 55 in person and 30 online per week. Its previous pastor transitioned to a different River Conference church in June.

Colville FMC is a mature church with a history of strong leadership, commitment to disciple making, and generous support for local and international missions. The congregation's single largest age demographic are Baby Boomers, followed by a combination of Gen X and Millennials. Colville has a mid-week AWANA program that hosts 40 children.

The Church recently purchased and renovated its current worship space. They have no debt. The worship center can comfortably accommodate 100 in the worship space. It has a fellowship hall that can accommodate 60, a business office, a pastor's office, a pole building, and 5 classrooms, all sitting on 1.5 acres. The church does not have a parsonage. In addition to the full-time pastor, it currently has two part-time employees: the Church Secretary and the Custodian. They have had a female pastor in the past and would consider women in leadership. Expected total salary package range of \$55,000 to \$60,000/year, depending on experience.

The next lead Pastor at Colville needs to have excellent leadership skills along with pastoral and teaching gifts. They are looking for an experienced pastor who can also engage the city, particularly young families. The congregation has had strong communicators in the past and has high expectations for the church's preaching ministry. A candidate with musical talent(s) and the ability to lead worship would be considered a blessing to the congregation.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, a recent ministry resume, and 3 references, at least one of whom has observed your ministry directly in a supervisory role, to james@theriverconference.org.

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Position available until filled.