

Clyo Lutheran Parish
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Greetings from Clyo Lutheran Parish in Clyo, Georgia located about 45 miles from historic downtown Savannah, Georgia. We are looking for a pastor to serve the two congregations, Laurel Hill and Wingard Memorial. My name is Tommy Allen, and I am chairman of the call committee.

We feel our call would be ideal for experienced pastors who are nearing retirement or young pastors wanting to start out with a small congregation. Our compensation package will depend on the candidate's ministry experience and background. Our congregations, while relatively small, are multi-generational, with many young families. In fact we have over 35 children and youth who are involved in our ministry.

Our two churches are located about 2 miles apart and we have a 9:00 am service at Wingard Memorial and a 10:30 am service at Laurel Hill. Attendance at Wingard Memorial ranges from 10 to 20 and Laurel Hill from 30 to 50 per service. Our congregations have been a member of LCMC since 2010. Both churches are debt free. Some of the things we are looking for in our next pastor are:

1. Regularly pray for the congregations and its ministry
2. Provide leadership for our worship services, including preaching the Word of God and administering the sacraments.
3. Provide visionary leadership in the direction of Clyo Lutheran Parish, proclaim the Gospel, be committed to God, and teach the Bible in all circumstances.
4. Provide administrative leadership to the Church Council and congregation to build teamwork and assist members so they might participate in the ministry of Clyo Lutheran Parish.
5. Support outreach ministries of Clyo Lutheran Parish
6. Visit our shut-ins, perform marriages and premarital counseling, and conduct Baptisms, Burials and Memorials.
7. Preaching most Sundays except when on vacation, sick or other reason
8. Having relatable, interesting and bible-based sermons
9. Support a youth program by increasing the fellowship opportunities for the youth, teaching confirmation classes and encouraging and aiding in the development of spiritual growth in the lives of all young people.

Our county, Effingham, is located just 8 miles from the fastest growing port in the nation and we were listed as the 8th fastest growing county in the state of Georgia this past year. We are 45 minutes from the Historic Downtown Savannah area which provides many options for

restaurants and site seeing of many historical buildings. Effingham County has the Ogeechee River and the Savannah River that kayakers and fisherman can take advantage of along with the historic Ebenezer Creek. Wildlife is abundant in the area, and we also have inviting downtown areas that host a lot of events and festivals throughout the year. Our county has grown to 65,000 populations and has a lot of road and recreation projects scheduled in the near future. One of our big road projects is the new Effingham Parkway and we will be completing phase 2 and 3 on our recreation facility called Clarence Morgan Complex. Our school system has an excellent reputation and is growing about 500 students per year.

The state of Georgia has recently announced the construction of a Hyundai plant on the bordering county of Bryan that will provide an estimated 9500 new jobs. A company that supplies parts for the plant has awarded a contract in Effingham and construction has started. This company will provide approximately 500 new jobs. As you can see we are in a growing area next to the ports which provides opportunities for growth in our county and our churches.

We are flexible and opened to discussing concerns you may have about this position. Thanks you for your time and I can be reached at 912-656-7463 or tgallen50@gmail.com.