POSITION TITLE: Associate Priest (full time)

OUR MISSION:
To Know Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and Make Him Known

PARISH DESCRIPTION:
Established in 1975, our extended church family currently includes some hundreds of souls ranging from 6 months to 94 years of age, located primarily in the Vail valley in Colorado, but also numerous seasonal members from places like New York, Chicago, Denver, Kansas City, Nashville, Dallas, Houston, Austin, Jacksonville and Charleston. Although we are a church family anchored in the Episcopal Church, we are blessed to enjoy these seasonal members coming from many different religious backgrounds, such as Roman Catholics and Baptists to a strong presence of Lutherans and those of Orthodox Christian descent. And of course we count many who are actively exploring their journey of faith from no particular background, as well as others who are recovering from painful religious experiences in other places.

We hold worship services in 3 beautiful interfaith chapels located in Vail, Beaver Creek and Edwards, in Eagle County Colorado. We share these locations with 5 sister congregations. We partner with and pastor our entire local community regardless of their church membership or faith perspective. We also share our home with the gorgeous, often snow covered, mountains in the Vail Valley approximately 100 miles west of Denver. (Also deer, bears, moose and occasionally a mountain lion thrown into the mix).

POSITION DESCRIPTION:
We are seeking someone who will work closely with the Rector, staff and members of the Parish to help carry out our ministries. This person should be a creative, dynamic, engaging and caring Associate Priest whose ministry portfolio will emphasize preaching, teaching, pastoral care, as well as management and implementation of study programs. The Associate Priest should be able to foster spiritual community within the congregation, and maintain strong relationships in the broader community.
An additional role resulting from our interfaith environment is cooperation with all participating faiths in pastoral care. Our climate and altitude result in any number of crisis and near crisis situations where the involvement of our church is required. Ours is also economically a widely diverse community and the ability to guide those with resources to help those without is of paramount importance.

**RESPOSIBILITIES AND ACTIVITES WILL INCLUDE:**

**WORSHIP:**
Be an active participant in planning all liturgy and worship services. Be an enthusiastic partner to the Rector in presiding, preaching, and participating in all services. Prepare services and lead, preach or participate in weddings, baptisms, memorials and committal services both for Transfiguration members and the interfaith community.

**PASTORAL CARE:**
Act in concert with the Rector and Deacon to coordinate visits to parishioners in hospital, rehab and homebound. Provide pastoral counseling for individuals, couples and families in crisis. Be part of a community team in crisis situations.

**PASTORAL TEACHING AND PROGRAMS:**
Be capable, enthusiastic and entrepreneurial in the creation, scheduling and leadership of Christian education for all ages.

**PARISH ADMINISTRATION:**
Participate in meeting with staff and clergy for financial planning, program development, assist staff in planning and communication, meet regularly with the Rector, and represent the Rector in various gatherings.

**GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS:**
- Priest in good standing in The Episcopal Church
- Excellent oral and written skills
- Gifts and passion for preaching and teaching
- Excellent skills in organizing people, administering programs and working within a budget
- Respectful of different opinions
- Technically and digitally adept
- Comfortable with feedback
- An ability to work within the established local interfaith community
- A willingness to learn to work within a resort community
**TYPE OF COMMITMENT:** Full-time

**COMPENSATION:**
Transfiguration adheres to all the benefit guidelines of the Episcopal Church in Colorado. Full time position with competitive salary commensurate with experience, pension, medical/dental benefits, paid vacation, church owned housing provided.

Employment /appointment will be contingent on background screening and completion of child abuse prevention training as required by the Episcopal Church. Relocation assistance is available.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:**
Please submit the following, by email, to Terry Smith, our search chair:

**terry-dan@comcast.net**  Cell Phone 970-470-2785  and include the subject line

Associate Rector Search and your last name.

1. Cover letter including what interests you most about this opportunity and why you would be a good fit.
2. OTM Profile
3. Resume
4. A list of References (clergy and lay)
5. Two sermons (audio/video links preferred)

**APPLICATIONS DEADLINE:** Open until January 25, 2023

**WEBSITE:**

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