

**Church Leadership Connection**  
The Call System for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

**Mif #: 05190.ACO**

**Ministry General Information**

<b>Ministry Number</b>	05190
<b>Ministry Name</b>	St. Peter's
<b>Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 14 Spencertown, NY 12165
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<b>Ministry Size</b>	101 - 250 members

<b>Ethnic Composition</b>	
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander 1%
	White 98%

<b>Average Worship Attendance</b>	50
<b>Church School Attendance</b>	20
<b>Curriculum</b>	www.Rotation.org
<b>Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program</b>	True
<b>Yoked</b>	False
<b>Presbytery</b>	ALBANY PRESBYTERY
<b>Synod</b>	SYNOD OF THE NORTHEAST
<b>Community Type</b>	Rural

Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization [Show Statistics](#)

**Information about the position**

<b>Position:</b>	Pastor Interim
<b>Experience Required:</b>	2 to 5 Years
<b>Specific Title:</b>	
<b>Employment Status:</b>	Open to both

<b>Language Requirements:</b>	
	English

<b>Other Language:</b>	
<b>Statement of Faith Required:</b>	True
<b>Clergy Couples:</b>	True

<b>Training/Certificate Requirements:</b>	
	Interim Ministry Training

<b>Other Training:</b>	
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**Brief Church Mission Statement:**

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We are...

- a worshipping community...
- seeking God through Jesus Christ...
- housed in an historic church building.

We want to...

- empower each other to be a positive Christian witness to God's love...
- demonstrate God's welcome by welcoming all...
- serve God by serving others in our community and beyond.

**What is the congregation's or organization's vision for ministry:**

*We envision worship as a combination of quiet meditation and active participation that allows the gospel to speak to young and old and the joy of the spirit to be shared. For people who rarely have a moment of silence and contemplation, we offer time in our service for quiet reflection. Children's messages, offered by members, carry the scripture to young and old.*

*We envision spiritual development that provides abundant opportunities to deepen our understanding, especially by learning from one another. Inspired by interest from the congregation, members recently organized a study group on Christian mystics. The Sunday School attracts many families for its creative, experiential and story-based biblical learning.*

*We envision a congregational life that provides a welcoming spirit and caring atmosphere for the church family and wider community. The Board of Deacons is a powerful force for nurturing and serving the congregation of St. Peter's. When a family or individual experiences a crisis in our community, the deacons have shown an extraordinary capacity to provide support.*

*We envision an outreach ministry that brings the Holy Spirit into action through service, inspiring and enriching the church and extended community. Our recent installment of a rainbow flag is a witness to our long, ongoing commitment to the LGBTQ community. A mission group in St. Peter's created a farmer's market gleaning program, which brings locally grown food to the hungry.*

**How do you feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community or constituency:**

We feel called to address the following emerging needs in our community:

- Many new members and friends joined our congregation during our previous pastor's tenure. We want to keep these new members and friends active and engaged in our community.
- Recently our congregation received a generous gift for the purpose of mission. We need thoughtful, constructive guidance to be effective stewards of the remaining funds.
- In addition to the departure of our pastor, we are in the process of transitioning to a new administrative assistant, clerk of council and treasurer. We need leadership to enable a smooth transition.

**How will this position help you to reach your vision and mission goals:**

We are seeking an interim minister to help our congregation prepare to call a full-time, installed pastor. Additionally, we are seeking an interim whose leadership will provide stability in the midst of change and guidance for the emerging issues identified in question 2.

**Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person who is open to being called to this congregation and or organization:**

We want an interim who is enthusiastic about St. Peter's future and who ministers to the whole congregation, members and friends of all ages and walks of life. We want an interim with a warm and friendly manner, who provides inspiring worship and keeps people engaged in the life of the church. In addition, it is important for the interim to be well organized and familiar with the polity of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in order to support our new church staff and leadership.

**What specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person have responsibility?**

The tasks, assignments and program areas have been described in previous questions. We are seeking an interim minister who addresses this work and effectively guides St. Peter's through the process of transition.

**Optional Links:**

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### The Call System for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/saintpeterspc/>  
[www.austerlitzny.com](http://www.austerlitzny.com) (Church is located in Township of Austerlitz)  
[www.saintpeterspc.org](http://www.saintpeterspc.org) (under repair)  
[www.oldausterlitz.com](http://www.oldausterlitz.com)  
[www.columbiacounty.com](http://www.columbiacounty.com)  
[www.spencertownacademy.org](http://www.spencertownacademy.org)  
[www.columbiacountytourism.org](http://www.columbiacountytourism.org)

#### Leadership Competencies:

Hopeful

Preaching and Worship Leadership

Communicator

Contextualization

Willingness to Engage Conflict

Decision Making

Collaboration

Interpersonal Engagement

Flexibility

Self Differentiation

#### Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

**Minimum Effective Salary:** \$36,011

**Housing Type:** Open to Manse/Housing Allowance

#### References:

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Rev. Kathryn Beilke	PO Box 104 Stuyvesant Falls, NY 12174	314-566-4579	CTEC Liaison	Kathrynbeilke@gmail.com

#### Has the Pastor Nominating Committee and Search committee affirmed its intention to follow the Form Of Government in this regard?

Yes

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