

Parkside Christian Church — Lead Minister Search Profiles

Anderson Township • Cincinnati, Ohio

Church Profile

Parkside Christian Church is a warm, relational, Bible-centered congregation with a long legacy of faithfulness in Anderson Township, shaped by our mission, vision, and values—the heartbeat of who we are and who we aspire to be. We exist to love God, love people, and help others do the same; this mission guides our worship, relationships, and outreach, defining our posture toward God and community. Our vision is to be people helping each other pursue God's purpose every day, committed to walking together in daily discipleship, encouraging spiritual growth, and living out God's calling in practical, meaningful ways. Parkside is a Restoration Movement/Independent Christian Church congregation.

Values

Our values shape the culture of Parkside and the experience of everyone who walks through our doors: We help people discover the life-changing hope found only in Christ (Find Jesus), create belonging through authentic relationships and shared faith (Find Family), welcome every person with grace, honesty, and compassion (Come as You Are), encourage growth, transformation, and Spirit-led purpose (Be More Than You Can Imagine), and extend forgiveness, patience, and kindness freely (Hold Grace in an Open Hand).

Worship & Teaching

We value clear, accessible, Christ-centered preaching and worship that blends contemporary elements with traditional roots. Our teaching connects Scripture to everyday life, helping people grow in faith and purpose.

Ministry & Outreach

Parkside has a long history of serving local schools, families, and community partners. We engage in outreach, benevolence, and practical acts of compassion, seeing our community as a mission field where we can make a tangible difference.

Leadership & Structure

Elders, staff, and volunteers work collaboratively to shepherd the church. We value transparency, shared leadership, and healthy communication, and we are committed to equipping lay leaders and empowering the congregation.

Current Season

Parkside is in pastoral transition and seeking renewed vision. The church desires unity, stability, and momentum for future ministry and is ready for fresh direction and renewed mission focus.

Community Profile

Parkside Christian Church is located in the heart of Anderson Township, one of Cincinnati's most vibrant and family-oriented communities.

Demographics & Population

- Population: Approximately 45,000 residents.
- Primarily suburban, with a mix of families, young professionals, and retirees.
- Strong school district (Forest Hills), drawing many families to the area.

Community Characteristics

- Safe, stable neighborhoods with strong civic engagement.
- High value is placed on education, youth activities, and family life.
- Growing diversity in recent years, with increasing cultural and generational variety.

Economy & Employment

- Many residents work in healthcare, education, business, and technology.
- Proximity to downtown Cincinnati provides access to major employers.

Lifestyle & Values

- Community prioritizes family, stability, and quality of life.
- Residents appreciate parks, recreation, and local events.
- Churches play a significant role in community identity and support.

Ministry Opportunities

- Strong potential for outreach to families, youth, and young adults.
- Opportunities for partnership with schools, local organizations, and community services.
- Growing need for ministries addressing mental health, loneliness, and spiritual searching.

Lead Minister Profile

The next Lead Minister of Parkside Christian Church will be a shepherd-leader who brings biblical clarity, relational warmth, and visionary direction to a congregation eager for renewal.

Spiritual & Personal Qualifications

- Deep, authentic relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Strong commitment to Scripture as the authority for faith and practice.
- Humble, prayerful, and Spirit-led in decision-making.
- High integrity, emotional maturity, and relational wisdom.
- Has and currently is discipling others.

Preaching & Teaching

- Able to communicate biblical truth clearly, practically, and compellingly.
- Connects Scripture to everyday life with relevance and depth.
- Comfortable preaching to an intergenerational congregation.
- Values discipleship, spiritual formation, and equipping believers.

Leadership & Vision

- Provides clear direction while honoring Parkside's heritage.
- Skilled at guiding a church through transition with steadiness and hope.
- Collaborative leader who works well with elders, staff, and volunteers.
- Able to unify, inspire, and mobilize the congregation toward mission.

Relational Strengths

- Warm, approachable, and genuinely caring.
- Invests in relationships with staff, leaders, and congregation.
- Shepherds people through life's joys and sorrows.
- Values community engagement and presence.
- Has a group of men who currently exhort, correct, and encourage you, and would seek out similar relationships at Parkside.

Administrative & Organizational Skills

- Competent in managing staff, ministry systems, and church operations.
- Communicates clearly and transparently.
- Understands healthy church governance and shared leadership.
- Able to identify and implement new management systems to improve church operations.

Preferred Experience

- Prior pastoral leadership experience in a church of similar size or complexity.
- Experience leading through transition or revitalization is beneficial.
- Demonstrated ability to grow ministries and develop leaders.

Overall Summary

Parkside Christian Church seeks a Lead Minister who is biblically grounded, relationally warm, and visionary in leadership. This minister will help unify the church, strengthen its ministries, and lead Parkside into a renewed season of mission and spiritual vitality.
