The Anglican Parish of Christ Church
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**Job Posting: Full-time Associate Priest**
**The Anglican Parish of Christ Church, Edmonton**

The Anglican Parish of Christ Church is a vibrant parish with a growing children's ministry, a heart for social justice/community outreach and a congregation of engaged and thoughtful individuals who desire Christian Education in a variety of forms. We are located in the heart of the Oliver neighbourhood, one of the most densely populated and diverse areas in the city, with extensive grounds that are open to, and well-used, by the public. As we look to the future, it is our desire to reach out to the young adults who live around us and who wander through our gardens almost every day.

Our Sunday worship is rooted in a rich liturgical tradition and includes an early morning Book of Common Prayer service as well as a family-friendly service from the Book of Alternative Services.

Our five-year parish plan includes:

- a focus on adult Christian education
- intentional relationship building
- community outreach and advocacy work
- strengthening parish governance and infrastructure
- garden maintenance and use

Christ Church has a dynamic, full-time rector whose passion for children's ministry and food security have seen these areas of ministry grow in the last five years. We have a strong volunteer base who are committed to the life and work of the parish and are engaged in areas of inclusivity, parish connection, community outreach, theological teaching, grounds maintenance and stewardship initiatives. We have an intentional community of young adults who live in the Rectory and engage in community service, prayer and learning throughout the year.

Christ Church is seeking an individual who will work alongside the rector to help foster our parish goals and expand our reach into the community. We welcome applications from individuals with the skills and passion to take primary responsibility for the following areas of ministry, in consultation with the leadership team:

- Welcome Team Ministry to Newcomers
- Adult Christian Education
- Baptismal Preparation for adults and families
- New Ministry to Young Adults in the Oliver neighbourhood
- Food Security Initiatives (Prayerworks, Snack Program, Community Dinner)

The Associate Priest will also support these ministries:

- Regular ministrations of the clergy (weddings, funerals, and baptisms)
- Weekly Holy Eucharist services
- Pastoral care, home, and hospital visitation

If you have a strong ability to teach the faith, reach out to the young, urban folks in the neighbourhood, support and grow food security ministries, participate in the regular ministrations of the church, support pastoral care programs in the parish and serve as a collaborative team-member alongside a strong group of staff and volunteers then we would love to hear from you.

Here are some specific characteristics that we are looking for:

- An active life of prayer, faith, and service.
- Takes initiative and sees projects through to completion.
- Willing to make a three to five-year commitment to the work of the parish.
- Gifted in areas of teaching, pastoral care, and community engagement.
- Able to build and maintain strong pastoral relationships.
- Creative, outside-the-box thinker who can identify and initiate new ways of engaging with parishioners during isolation times.

Applicants are asked to outline how their knowledge, skills and experience will align with the goals of Christ Church (specifically the five priority areas listed above). Your response should be between 700 and 1500 words in length. We would also ask for a current CV. Applications will be accepted until December 4th, 2020 and can be emailed to Jennifer Wirun, assistant to Bishop Jane Alexander at assistant@edmonton.anglica.ca