

VINTON WESLEYAN CHURCH

Senior Pastor Vinton, VA



Meet Vinton Wesleyan Church

Vinton Wesleyan Church (VWC) is in The Town of Vinton and is a part of The Shenandoah District of The Wesleyan Church. We are prayerfully seeking a pastor to lead in the purpose, vision, and mission for our congregation and community. Our purpose is to honor God by renewing and revitalizing our church family to reflect the love, grace, and hope of Jesus Christ. Our vision is to become a vibrant, Spirit-led family of believers that passionately love God, deeply cares for one another, and actively serves our neighbors. Our mission is to "Love God...Love People...Make Disciples".

VWC was organized in 1934 as Vinton Pilgrim Holiness Church with fourteen charter members. In 1961, the merger of Pilgrim Holiness Church with the Wesleyan Methodist denomination to form The Wesleyan Church to form Vinton Wesleyan Church. During the years of 1973 through 1976, a building project added the educational building, including the fellowship hall, kitchen, pastor's study, and Sunday School rooms. A larger sanctuary was the latest addition to the church in 1993. To this day, this facility has been serving the Vinton community for 91 years.

About the Senior Pastor

The next Lead Pastor of Vinton Wesleyan Church will oversee the work of the ministry, as well as the vitality of the church. The congregation is ready and willing to see the church move forward in reaching its growing community.

We are seeking a Lead Pastor in a full or part-time position and would prefer the candidate have a bachelor's degree in ministry related studies or the equivalent level of ministerial training.

Qualities and Strengths:

- Converted and "called" to the pastoral ministry.
- Licensed and/or working towards ordination in the Wesleyan Church.
- Agrees and supports the Articles of Religion and Guides to Holy Living of the Wesleyan Church.
- Spiritual and personal integrity and maturity.
- Ability and willingness to share Christ and disciple others.
- Positive human relations skills.
- Obvious motivational skills.
- Ability to communicate well through a pulpit ministry.
- Proven love for the fellowship of a local church.
- Ability to empathize with the deep concerns of the congregation.
- Use integrity to maintain personal finances to not cause harm to the church.
- Provide leadership and direction for the church.
- Develop the vision of the church and plan for ministry and church growth.
- Spend significant time in prayer and Bible study.
- Promote unity within the church by managing conflicts and reconciling relationships.
- Moderate all Local Board of Administration meetings and Local Church Conferences.
- Serve as an example by tithing per Biblical instruction.

What it's like to live in The Town of Vinton, VA

The Town of Vinton, VA, located in Roanoke County, offers a small-town charm with easy access to urban amenities and outdoor recreation, making it a good place to live, especially for those seeking affordability and a family-friendly environment. According to the 2020 census, there was a population of 8059 in Vinton.

The town is served by Roanoke County Public Schools. Public school students residing in Vinton are zoned to attend Herman L. Horn Elementary School or W. E. Cundiff Elementary School, William Byrd Middle School, and William_Byrd High School.

Vinton offers opportunities for outdoor activities like hiking, biking, and canoeing along the Roanoke Valley Greenway network and Tinker Creek Canoe Launch.

Vinton's historic downtown area is experiencing revitalization, with new businesses and storefront restoration projects, offering a variety of dining and shopping options.

Are you a Candidate?

To apply, please submit a resume to both individuals listed below. Please provide names and contact information for at least three professional and three personal references. Also, please provide a link to at least two of your online sermons.

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