

Emmanuel Church

Dublin, New Hampshire

A Seasonal Chapel of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire www.emmanuelchurchdublin.org

Greetings!

The Managing Committee is in search of a Priest-In-Charge for the month of August, the second month of our summer season. The July Priest-In-Charge has been with us for 10 years.

This packet contains the job description, a church profile, and an overview of the Monadnock Region. The profile is based on the results of a parish-wide survey and input from our former Priest and our Wardens. We believe we have captured the essence of those qualities, skills and abilities this summer parish community is looking for.

Once you have read the enclosed and find you have an interest, please provide the following:

- A cover letter
- A resumé
- Three references from recent work; one from a supervisor, a colleague, and lastly a one of your choosing.
- Links to no more than two recent sermons (either video or audio).

The deadline is open until the position is filled AND our goal is to hire by May 1st. Please send materials to Ellen Avery, Search Committee Chair *to nhscot1@myfairpoint.net* or by mail to 12 Laban Ainsworth Way, Jaffrey, NH 03452.

Please connect with Ellen if you have any questions. Lastly, know that we are grateful for your consideration of this opportunity.

With thanks,

Bill Raymond Senior Warden Ellen Avery

Search Committee Chair

Priest-in-Charge Job Description

Position: Priest-in-Charge for the month of August.

Job Description: The Priest-in-Charge will provide spiritual and pastoral guidance to the Congregation in August through the Sunday, before Labor Day. Emmanuel is a small community comprised of Christians who take seriously the development of their faith while enjoying a personal connection to the sermons. It is a multi-faceted position that requires a degree of balance between fulfilling your responsibilities to the congregation, of which you are an integral part, and enjoying summer-time activities in the Monadnock region.

Skills:

- Passion for preaching
- Inspirational sermon delivery
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Thoughtful pastoral counseling
- Open and inclusive liturgical style

Responsibilities:

- Work closely with the Managing Committee
- Support the Senior and Junior Wardens
- Preside over Sunday Liturgy
- Conduct baptisms/weddings/funerals
- Be accessible to parishioners formally and informally
- Visit Church members (at home, hospital, or retirement communities)
- Support various committees (i.e., Altar Guild; Building & Grounds; Service Ministry; Music; Coffee Hour, Rectory, Communication & Outreach.)
- Oversee Religious Education ~ Church School offerings and conduct weekly Bible Study
- Continue close relationship with Walden School of Music (July only)
- Reside at Rectory, next door to the church.

Benefits:



- A weekly stipend.
- The Priest-in-Charge will live at the 3-bedroom Rectory, adjacent to the Church. All utilities and membership fees are included.
- He/she will have full family membership/access to the Dublin

Lake Club (within walking distance). This is a "vintage" summer club, founded in 1901, with a swimming beach; sailing; seven tennis courts; a 9-hole golf course; children's activities and much more.



Parish Profile

Emmanuel Church is named by the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire as one of seven Seasonal (read: Summer) Chapels. The church is located on Dublin Road in Dublin, NH adjacent to the Dublin School, a private college preparatory school. The church pre-dates the school and has no formal affiliation with it.

Built in 1888 to serve the burgeoning summer community in Dublin and its environs, Emmanuel is a small wooden, shingle style, center aisle church with pews seating approximately 120 people. Of special interest are the stained-glass windows, particularly those from the Tiffany studios. The Rectory, located next to the church, was built in 1889. Both the church and the Rectory are used only during the summer and are listed on the National Register of Historic Buildings.

Services are held each Sunday from the last week in June to the first week in September at 9:00am. We celebrate the Eucharist Rite II. Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals are celebrated by request and are limited to members of the congregation and their families.

Statistics from our most recent parish survey include the following:

- Our average Sunday attendance is 65.
- The number of children in attendance varies.
- 80% of our congregation fall between the ages of 50 and 75+.
- 68% are between the ages of 50 and 75.
- 60% are female, 40% are male,
- 70% of our congregation is married.
- 83% attend services all summer
- 85% participate in the services (LEM, Lector, Usher, Altar Guild, Coffee Hour, etc.).

The congregation is a cohesive group that comes partly from area churches (All Saints'-Peterborough; St. James-Keene) and partly from the area summer communities, especially Dublin. Most Emmanuel parishioners' worship in a 'winter' parish as well.

Members of the congregation take responsibility for the total operation of the church. Emmanuel is governed by four officers: Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary and Treasurer and the Managing Committee, in which the Priest in Charge serves. Standing Committees include Altar Guild, Buildings & Grounds, Communications & Website, Finance, and Service Ministry. There is an active Altar Guild which, in addition to tending to the preparation of the Altar each week, also opens and closes the church in the spring and fall. One member of the congregation oversees the Service Ministry, and another manages the signing up Service Volunteers to serve as LEM's, Lectors, Altar Guild, Altar Flowers, Ushers and Coffee Hour hosts. This is displayed on a white board at the back of the church, a wonderful, visual reminder of the level of commitment to the church by the congregation.

Emmanuel's active music program is directed by our organist. This program draws on local music organizations to provide guest musicians/vocalists like Monadnock Music, Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music, The Chamber Singers of Keene and the Walden School of Music (a

one-month music summer camp resident at the Dublin School in July). The organ, built c.1870, by English-born and trained John G. Marklove (1827-1891) was moved to Dublin in 1965. The six-stop organ with more than 300 pipes ranging in length from 1/2 inch to 8 feet was completely restored in 2008, and now, with full pedalboard and swell box, is superb for enthusiastic congregational singing as well as soft contemplative meditation.

The Town of Dublin and Monadnock Region

Located in southwestern New Hampshire, the Town of Dublin was first settled in the middle of the 18th century and was primarily a farming community (www.townofdublin.org/about). Its notability rose in the mid-1800's when Henry David Thoreau visited to climb Mount Monadnock and wrote about it in glorious terms. It wasn't long before hikers from around New England came to see this wonderful mountain and climb its friendly flanks. During this time many artists discovered Dublin's vistas and charms and the clear, mountain air. Abbott Thayer, George deForest Brush, Joseph Lindon Smith and others came to see what many had already discovered. Wealthy businessmen from Boston, New York and the mid-West heard about this magical place in New Hampshire and, by the turn of the 20th-Century, "summer cottages" had sprung up in the Dublin highlands.

Dublin continues to draw summer visitors, but the real strength of the summer community is the Dublin Lake Club, founded in 1901. A place to play tennis and golf, sail and swim, and to interact socially. Lake Club families have been coming for generations. Many of these folks attend services at Emmanuel.

Surrounding Dublin, the greater Monadnock Region is a magnet for the arts, recreation, shopping and dining (www.greatermonadnock.com). Arts organizations include Monadnock Music, the Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music, the Peterborough Players, and the Colonial and Park Theatres. The outdoors offers many opportunities to camp, hike, bike, canoe, kayak, paddle, and golf. If you have young children or grandchildren, The Friendly Farm in Dublin is a great activity. A robust restaurant scene, from the elegant to pub grub, provides something for all tastes.

Driving distance to Dublin is two-hours from Boston, four hours from New York City, and served by Manchester Airport just an hour away. Access to busses and trains are from 30 minutes to an hour away. "Life is Good" in the Monadnock Region.