St. Alban's Episcopal Chapel and University Center

Baton Rouge, LA

Position Type: Full-time, beginning August 2025

Education Level: Master of Divinity

Job Description

St. Alban's is a 100-year-old spiritual home at the heart of the LSU campus with a solid foundation rooted in Christ-centered worship. The Chapel is a safe and welcoming place – our doors stand open all day, every day, for everybody. We seek a new Chaplain to shepherd our multi-generational flock and to walk with LSU students, faculty, and staff on their journey of faith.

Roles and Responsibilities

Worship & Preaching

- Strong ability to plan and conduct worship that addresses the heart and the intellect
- Able to make scripture relevant, engaging and applicable to daily life
- Worship services are as follows:
 - Sunday Service: 10:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Includes online streaming (YouTube). This is a traditional service with Organ Music and Choir.
 - * Sunday Service: 6:00PM "reCharge!" student-centered worship and often student-led with clergy guidance, usually with guitars and other acoustic instruments, followed by parishioner provided dinner.
 - o * Noon Day Prayer short service designed for those on campus

*During Spring and Fall semesters

Pastoral Care & Community Support

- Be present for those in need during critical times in their lives, such as through hospital, nursing home, hospice, and home visits
- Support individuals through ministry and crisis counseling

Church Growth & Leadership

- Attract and retain members to grow the congregation
- Inspire leadership and participation in church ministries
- Lead stewardship efforts to develop financial and volunteer support, including fundraising

Student & Youth Ministry

- Develop student-centered Christian education and worship
- Strengthen youth and family Christian education programs
- Demonstrate an interest or passion for college ministry
- Engage with the LSU community and build student, faculty and staff connections
 - Lunch every Wednesday 11:30-12:15 in the Common Hall during Spring and Fall semesters (This is currently based on the books and teachings of C.S. Lewis)

Spiritual Growth & Theological Leadership

- Lead Bible studies, prayer groups, and personal faith development
- Demonstrate through teaching and by example a strong understanding of scripture and theology

Personal Qualities or Traits

- Must be present, approachable and real/authentic
- Open Door policy with students
- Effective teacher, with relatable and politically neutral, scripture-based sermons understandable by multi-generational audiences
- Fun to be around, kind, accepting and caring
- Loves Jesus and demonstrates it

Qualifications

- Master of Divinity from an Episcopal Seminary (or M. Div with a Diploma of Anglican Studies)
- Ordained Priest, or candidate for ordination in the Episcopal Church
- Excellent communication and organization skills required

Other Requirements and Things to Know

- Maintain good standing as clergy in the Diocese of Louisiana
- Adhere to the constitution and canons of the national church and those of the Diocese of Louisiana
- Comply with all church safeguarding policies
- Provide weekly supervision of 12 part-time employees
- Have direct involvement with 3 main committees (Finance, Stewardship, Advisory)
- Oversee the work of dozens of volunteer-lay leaders
- Benefits include one full month for vacation, two weeks for continuing education, and sabbatical to be negotiated with the bishop.

• The Chapel is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana, so oversight of the Chaplain will come directly from the bishop and the Chaplain's position is funded by the Diocese.

*While current programming has been established by the Chaplain, we are seeking someone who will consider existing ministries, but also bring in new ideas to lead us forward into a joyful future together.