Church and Community Worker



South Bristol

South Bristol Methodist Church is a group of 3 Christian congregations meeting in Brislington, Knowle and Bedminster. Through recent community audits we have

identified some possibilities for connecting with people in our communities in new ways, and we are looking to employ a full - time fixed term (5 years) Church and Community Worker to help us realise our vision.

Our strapline and statement of faith is as follows:

"Whoever you are, Whatever your journey, Welcome!"

We are your neighbourhood Methodist Church. We seek to bring our community into the allencompassing ways of Jesus Christ and take his love out into the world. We seek to offer hope and encouragement as we serve each other and the wider area, travelling together in faith."

The successful candidate would identify and develop opportunities alongside members of the existing congregations and the minister to:

- Provide pastoral support and care in the wider community,
- Express God's love in Jesus in appropriate ways for different contexts,
- Work alongside others to explore what faith means for people today.

This may involve:

- Being alongside people in different communities, such as local schools in Brislington and new small community enterprises in Bedminster,
- Developing work with young people in years 6-9 in Knowle and Brislington.
- Establishing a new pay as you can café in Knowle catering for parents with young children.
- Working with students who are moving into the Bedminster area.
- Developing new patterns and styles of worship to engage with the wider community.

We are particularly looking for someone with skills and enthusiasm for working with families and young people, however the emphasis within the role will take into account the gifts, skills and interests of the person appointed.

Salary: £27,363 per annum. Holiday: 28 days plus bank holidays per annum.

Job share and part time applications will be considered.

The post is subject to an occupational requirement that the holder be a committed Christian under Part 1 of Schedule 9 to the Equality Act 2010. Please contact Rev Sally Spencer on 0117 9776714 for further details and <u>clive.rooke1@gmail.com</u> for an application form.

Applications should be sent by email to <u>clive.rooke1@gmail.com</u> by the end of the working day on Friday January 10th 2025.

Website: <u>www.https://southbristolmc.org.uk</u>