



Holden Village Pastor: Position Description

Proposed Start Date: June or July 2023

We seek ordained candidates ready to design and manage the daily worship experiences of Holden Village, involving the varied gifts and talents of the community in creating sacred spaces and cultivating the life of the spirit. The pastor collaborates closely with the directors to express and practice Holden Village's mission values of learning, grace, and worship. The pastor role requires creativity, innovation, adaptive leadership, interpersonal and planning skills to engage staff and guests in formation. This pastor affirms and incorporates the varied talents and durations of people in the Village.

Holden Village seeks simultaneously to be a place of openness to non-believers and agnostics and a worshipping community of Christian believers. In the midst of this diverse tension we experience the Spirit at work. Interested candidates should be enthusiastic about this unique worship environment.

Key responsibilities include:

- Collaborating with directors to define and practice the pastoral role and spiritual identity that continue to evolve at Holden Village
- Engaging the community in daily worship practices that recognize and affirm the sacred in work and life
- Guiding volunteer teams of Holden staff to develop and conduct worship such as Matins, staff stories, Prayer Around the Cross, meditations, Vespers, Compline, and weekly Eucharist
- Providing pastoral care for Village staff and modeling a lively faith, a balance of wellness and justice in work, service, study, prayer, and play.
- Participating in the 'work of the Village' that includes dish teams, garbology, winter stoking of furnaces, and other aspects of community life.

This position is open to full-communion partners as well as pastors of the ELCA. Interested persons please send letters of introduction, resume/vita, and/or rostered minister profile to the Northwest Intermountain Synod, ELCA. <https://nwimsynod.org/>, Attn: The Rev. Phil Misner, Assistant to the Bishop, phil.misner@nwimsynod.org. The Holden Village Executive Directors make the final selection of a pastor.

For additional information contact adminsupport@holden.village.org