

**Priest in Charge, full time**

Trinity Episcopal Church, Lumberton, NC

Salary: \$62,000 with rectory, plus SECA reimbursement

\$78,000 without use of rectory, plus SECA reimbursement

Healthcare coverage negotiable for priest plus one

The Trinity Episcopal Church congregation consistently demonstrates what it means to be a “church family” to members and visitors. Our congregation not only understands the importance of empathy and kindness to each other but also exhibits it within the Robeson County community through outreach programs. It is a nurturing congregation that opens their arms to everyone who enters the church. When it is time for fundraising and outreach programs to give back to the community, camaraderie is demonstrated as everyone assists with the tasks that need to be completed. As a small congregation, we are flexible, adapting to the changing needs of the community and congregation. We have a strong, active laity who are willing to work closely with the rector and are active in the Diocese of East Carolina. We are a group of active people participating in the worship services, including a strong music program and special events included in the church year. We are collaborating with other churches, especially the local Lutheran parish, to provide programs.

We currently have an aging congregation, and young families are missing in our congregation numbers, although they are very much wanted. We refer to ourselves as “small but mighty”; however, increasing our numbers is one of the significant challenges facing Trinity Episcopal Church. Our goal is to become again a multi-generational place of worship. In the past we had an active college mission with the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. We would like to return to this mission.

We are seeking a priest that is comfortable providing guidance and spiritual leadership to assorted generations within the congregation. The key qualities we are seeking are: Spiritual Leadership, Pastoral Care, Strong Communication Skills, Community Oriented, and Visionary Leadership. Also, a good sense of humor is also always welcomed. We also would like our Priest to become active within the community. It is important to us that our Priest recognizes the distinction between preaching the gospel and preaching partisan politics (of any ideology), and strengthens, empowers, and encourages us to serve our community.

Learn more about our community at our webpage: [www.trinitylumberton.net](http://www.trinitylumberton.net)

This is a full time priest in charge position with the possibility of becoming Rector. To apply, send cover letter, resume, and OTM portfolio to Canon Stephanie Allen, [slallen@diocese-eastcarolina.org](mailto:slallen@diocese-eastcarolina.org).