



Edwards Congregational United Church of Christ

3420 Jersey Ridge Road
Davenport, IA 52807



Intentional Interim Minister

$\frac{3}{4}$ time - potential start date June 1, 2027

*Edwards Congregational United Church
of Christ is a church with a vision:*

“

*We gather in the power of the
good news of Jesus
Christ, throw open our doors to
all, and go boldly into the world
— fiercely compassionate in
care, steadfast in seeking justice,
unstoppable in love.*

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What Are We Seeking?

We are seeking a 3/4 time Intentional Interim Pastor during a period of congregational preparation for a new settled pastor and a settled pastor search. The start date of the position is planned for May 2027. We expect an interim season for 12-24 months and want the intentional Interim Pastor during that time. The focus of the church during the interim period will be on self-evaluation to determine where God is calling us, what type of settled pastor we need, and work on search and call for our next settled pastor. The focus of the position will be to lead the church through a successful transitional season, counsel and guide as we determine our future, and perform the pastoral responsibilities of leading worship and pastoral care of the congregation.

About Davenport



We love the Quad Cities because it has both a small town and city feel. We have all the amenities of a city (great museums, restaurants, sport venues, public programming and parks). However, our population isn't too large, so you really get to know people here. It is easy to run into someone you know at the grocery store, or get involved in a new project because there are lots of amazing non-profits up to good alongside Edwards UCC. We have access to numerous health and medical services and are within an hour drive close to the University of Iowa for further medical specialties. Challenges include economic disparities, housing stability, and food insecurity, all of which impact vulnerable populations. Certain neighborhoods experience higher rates of poverty and limited access to essential services. Community partnerships, including faith-based initiatives, are crucial in addressing these needs. Davenport is the largest city in the Quad Cities metropolitan area (Davenport-Moline-Rock Island-Bettendorf), which includes roughly 400,000 individuals over a bi-state area that covers primarily two counties, one each in Iowa and Illinois.



Our Expectations



Worship Leadership

- planning and leading weekly worship services
- preach engaging sermons

Serve as Head of Church Administration

- supervise church staff
- oversee church newsletter and communications
- provide leadership with church governing body and committees

Pastoral Care

- visit those hospitalized, homebound, and members in care facilities
- officiate weddings, funerals, baptisms, and other pastoral services
- lead liturgical year services





Compensation

Compensation is flexible and will be determined based on the applicant's relevant experience and skills. We will follow the UCC compensation guidelines to the best of our ability.



Church Contact Information

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Who God Is Calling Us To Become

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” (Matthew 22:37 NRSV)

We are a uniquely involved and welcoming congregation with a clear strategic focus of Building Community, Caring for Kids, and Feeding the Hungry with deep historical ties to this community driven focus of loving our neighbors.