

First Christian Church
Blackwell, Oklahoma
Lead Pastor
Full-time

Pay rate: \$60,000 – 80,000

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Qualifications:

First Christian Church, located in Blackwell, OK, is a historic and welcoming congregation with deep roots in the community. Since its founding in 1893—just months after the opening of the Cherokee Strip—the church has served as a cornerstone of faith and fellowship in Kay County.

Throughout its 130-year history, First Christian Church has shown a remarkable spirit of perseverance and unity, steadily expanding its facilities and outreach in step with the growing needs of the community. The congregation has worshiped in several buildings over the decades, with its current home on East Coolidge opening in 1959. Former Senior Pastor Jeff Koch faithfully led the church from 2000 to 2025, continuing a legacy of strong, servant-hearted leadership.

Located in the heart of northern Oklahoma, Blackwell offers a small-town atmosphere rich with history, hospitality, and a strong sense of community. First Christian Church remains committed to welcoming all who seek a church home, offering a warm environment where faith is nurtured, relationships are strengthened, and Christ is glorified.

About First Christian:

Theology - Christian Church

- Average weekly attendance - 75-100
- Youth ministry - 40-50
- Debt free
- Elder Led
- Multi-generational

Responsibilities and duties:

The Senior Minister will provide pastoral oversight and care to the church body, ensuring the spiritual well-being of the congregation. They will offer organizational vision, leadership, and management to the entire church, aligning with its mission and values. Serving as the primary teacher and communicator at weekend services, the Senior Minister will deliver biblically sound and engaging sermons.

They will collaborate with church leaders to develop and implement strategic plans that foster growth and community engagement.

Key Responsibilities:

A skilled, engaging, and authentic communicator who focuses on accurate expository preaching with practical application and a relational style.

Assist the Elders in setting direction for the church, governing and protecting the congregation, and stewarding human and financial resources.

Ensure that each staff member and volunteers are properly equipped, empowered, and resourced to perform their roles effectively.

Lead in the development, communication, and protection of the church's vision, providing leadership and supporting the Elders in strategic planning.

Set an example in ensuring the church is properly fed, led, and cared for, including pastoral care, community involvement, and leadership development.

Serve as the primary communicator at weekend services, while organizing other participants such as announcements, benedictions, and worship.

Ensure that those teaching communicate Biblical Truth, spoken in love, fostering spiritual growth among congregants.

Engage with the community to build relationships and promote the church's mission and outreach efforts.

Practice fiscal responsibility with a debt free philosophy.