

INTERIM PASTOR AGREEMENT

This contract is for the purpose of providing Interim Pastoral services to the

_____ Church

and is an agreement among:

1. The Session of the _____ Church.
2. The Rev. _____ and
3. The Presbytery of Long Island.

TERM

The term of this agreement will be for a period of one year, beginning _____

It may be extended by mutual agreement of all parties for periods not to exceed one year at a time.

TITLE

The Rev. _____ will be the Interim Pastor of the
_____ Church.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The Interim Pastor is accountable to the Presbytery through the Committee on Ministry and to the Session.

GOALS OF THE INTERIM MINISTRY

The typical goals of interim ministry are:

1. Maintenance of a healthy congregational life
2. Continuity of leadership
3. Completion of the following developmental tasks:
 - Helping the congregation come to terms with its history
 - Discovering and affirming congregational identity
 - Coping with shifts in leadership and power among members
 - Strengthening the partnership with the Presbytery and with other congregations
 - Building a commitment to a new future and a new pastor
4. Development of special short-range goals
5. Assessment of the congregation's need and ability to call an installed pastor

EXPECTATIONS OF THE INTERIM PASTOR

1. Is a Member ___ Will be a Member ___ a Temporary Member ___ Not a Member ___ of the Presbytery of Long Island and remain a member in good standing complying with all Presbytery Requirements.
2. Will ___ Will Not ___ serve as Moderator of the Session.
3. Will fulfill the specific responsibilities outlined in the attached Position Description (*Attachment A*).
4. Will serve the church full time ___ part time ___ for approximately _____ hours/week.
5. Will comply with all Book of Order and Presbytery required training (*see Attachment B Terms of Call*)
6. Will comply with all current and future policies of the Presbytery of Long Island

