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Church Information Form (draft) for the Rico Church

Church/Organization Name Rico Community Presbyterian Church
Mailing Address P.O. Box 208
Rico, Colorado 81332
Phone Number (970) 967-2463
Email: RicoChurch@Juno.com
Web Address: www.RicoChurch.org

Average Worship Attendance 21
Church School Attendance 5

Ethnic Composition Of Congregation (in %):

 3 African American
 93 Caucasian
 4 Native American

Presbytery Western Colorado Synod of the Rocky Mountains

Community Type X Town (small)

Clerk of Session: none. We operate as a fellowship under the care of the Presbytery.

Position to be filled: Pastor (half time)

Specify whether experience in the specified position is “Required” or “Desired”.

 Required X Desired

Years of Experience Desired

X First Ordained Call less than 2 years 2 years or more
 4 years or more 6 years or more

Language Requirements

X English Spanish Korean
 Japanese Cantonese Taiwanese Other

Need to fill position: 1/1/2007

Brief Church Mission Statement:

1. To grow in numbers to become a self-sustaining church within the Presbytery of Western Colorado.
2. To represent the Christian faith to a diverse community – community outreach
3. To welcome worshipers of all faiths – and no faith
4. To be an inclusive church, welcoming persons without regard to denomination, gender, age, sexual orientation, or ethnicity. To offer to youth and children a safe sanctuary.
5. At all times to be faithful to our Lord, Jesus Christ, and to represent Him accurately to the best of our abilities.
6. To grow as a congregation spiritually

As the only functioning church in the area, we serve a wide, sparsely populated community of about 200 persons in the winter months, growing to about 1000 in the summer. On our web site, www.RicoChurch.org, are links to the town and history of both Rico and the church, which dates to 1891. Rico is a mountain town, altitude 8827 feet. Church attendance swells in the summer to 30 to 48 people; diminishes in winter to 7 to 12.

A brief description of the church:

Formed in 1944, the church thrived until 1957, when most mines failed. It continued until the late 1970s and then was moribund until a restoration project was begun in the late 1980s. Since then, the manse has been rebuilt and the church restored to the place where both structures are a credit to the community and are frequently photographed by summer tourists and church visitors. See the many pictures on the church web site. It operated primarily as a summer ministry, with occasional services in other months, until November, 2004, when we hired Rev. Carol Burgeson as a half-time minister and began regular worship weekly services; these have continued to this time (Fall 2006). A 2005 VBS saw 7 students; the 2006 VBS expanded to 15. We participate in the annual Fourth of July Town Parade, held a "Talent Night" in 2006 and a "Bolivia Night" in 2005. A small Adult Sunday School class meets weekly.

Describe what gifts, skills and experiences your congregation possesses to fulfill its mission.

Although our membership is small (8 persons at present), the members are dedicated to the church and its programs. Ken Hazen takes responsibility for the physical upkeep of the properties and has been a dedicated servant to this work for 20 years. Marlene Hazen is always ready to head up and make successful church social functions.

Gerry and Marilyn Griebel, who work in Cortez as an emergency room doctor and a nurse practitioner, are both supportive with their considerable talents. Marilyn and Marlene Hazen share the job of treasurer. Jake Boyer, a retired dentist, spends about half of his time on mission trips to Native American and Eskimo tribes; he is supportive when he is here. Tommy Smith, not a member but a frequent attender, looks after the church landscaping. There are several other frequent attenders who, for one reason or another, have not chosen to enter into membership.

We also have 42 affiliate members, mostly summer people, some of whom have worshiped here for many years. Two of them serve as church musicians when they are here.

What are the key theological issues of our church and society that are reflected in the ministry of your congregation/organization?

We hold that the church of Jesus Christ must at all times be as open and inclusive as He was. Our church ad, run regularly in the Rico Bugle, contains the words: **"The Rico Community Church welcomes everyone, regardless of religious persuasion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age or gender."** Our affirmation of faith, which appears on our website and is recited by the congregation frequently at worship services, reads: **"We believe that in life and in death we belong to God through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit. We trust in the One Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom also we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen!"**

References.

Name ___ Joanne Dobie, Interim Executive Presbyter

Address 101 N Uncompahgre, Montrose, Co 81401

Phone Numbers 1-877-927-7372 _____
Relation ___ Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Western Colorado _____
E-mail JDOBIE@MONTROSE.NET _____

Name ___ Rev Jim Patton _____
Address Box 1117, Dolores, Co 81323 _____
Phone Numbers 970-882-1455 _____
Relation ___ Past summer minister for the church _____
E-mail JRPATTON@FONE.NET _____

Name Ken and Marlene Hazen _____
Address P.O. Box 12, Rico Colorado 81332 _____
Phone Numbers ___(970) 967-2162 _____
Relation ___ Church members _____
E-mail ___RicoChurch@Juno.com _____

Position Description:

Major Responsibilities: For what specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person have responsibility?

- 1 Hold worship services each Sunday morning
- 2 Represent Christ to the community
- 3 Local hospital/emergency visitation; support of the local Search & Rescue team.
- 4 Family ministries

Description of characteristics and qualifications needed:

- Young in heart and attitude
- Skilled in working with children and youth
- Organizational skills
- Motivational skills
- Flexibility

Compensation And Housing. (Effective salary is compensation plus housing.)

Minimum **Effective** Salary \$ 27,500

Salary	16,000
Manse (rental equivalent)	7,200 (\$600 x 12)
Electric	800
Fuel	3,500
Total	27,500

(Water & trash collection are paid as part of the church budget)

Housing Type: Manse and Utilities (see above)

There is at present an opportunity for part time work at the Library, next store to the manse, which would pay \$7.50 per hour for 4 hours a week (8 hours in the summer month).

Pastor Nominating Committee/Search Committee Chairperson Detail:

Name Marlene Hazen
Address P.O.. BOX 12
City Rico State CO Zip Code 81332
Phone (970) 967-2162
Email: RICOHURCH@JUNO.COM

Primary Skill Choices: (R = Required; D = Desired)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Leadership |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communication (Written/Oral) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Ministries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Service and Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conflict Management/Mediation Skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Congregational Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Congregational Home Visitation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Worship/Sacraments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counseling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Ministry |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital and Emergency Visitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Training Volunteers |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry |