

Equipping Pastor Position

Manotick Community Church 5492 South River Dr. Manotick, ON 613-489-4174

Who We Are:

We are a small church family (30 people or so) but with God as our leader we're ready to grow so that we can make a Jesus-impact on our community! We want you to help us achieve this goal. We have a burning passion for our neighbours and we have visions of a time where <u>everyone</u> in our community knows that God loves them and has eternal life waiting for them!

We are located in the beautiful rural village of Manotick in the southern part of the city of Ottawa, straddling the Rideau River.

Manotick Community Church (MCC) exists to meet the needs of the people around us: in our church, our community, our city and beyond; to create a loving, caring, joyful environment in which to worship the Lord; and to challenge ourselves and others to become fully connected, devoted and mature followers of Jesus.

We began as an MB church plant under Pastor Darren Milley in 2013. Darren was called to become a military chaplain in March 2016. Having not been fully "planted" by the time he moved on, we've been using the last few months to more firmly establish our DNA.

We are a member of the Canadian Conference of Mennonite Brethren churches, but our members come from many different church backgrounds. We've come to appreciate and value the principles and beliefs of the MB tradition. We want you to feel comfortable with those beliefs as well. You can find them here:

www.mennonitebrethren.ca/resources/me-beliefs/

Who We are Looking for:

We are presently looking to fill the permanent part time position of lead pastor. We expect you'd start at around 25 hours per week, but we'd love to see this grow into a full time job for you.

We expect you to have a real passion for mission and to display the skills needed to guide us in fulfilling our vision. We believe the top three skills you'll need are:

- 1. Evangelism/outreach
- 2. Casting vision for the church
- 3. Equipping the leadership team and the church

We expect the 25 hours would break down roughly as follows:

Duty	Time Allotted
Personal prep	4 hours
One on one equipping	4 hours
Facilitating Group training	4 hours
Sunday Worship	3 hours
Sunday prep	6 hours
Community Outreach	4 hours

In the end, we're quite open to hearing how you'd help us grow to have an impact in Manotick. If that means you're holding down another job while helping us, that's okay. Once we meet you, we trust God will reveal if you're the one!

To learn more about us, you can:

- find our formal mission, vision and values on our website at http://www.churchinthetick.ca/
- call the chair of our search committee, Rosemary MacPherson at 613-489-4174

About Manotick (source: http://www.rideau-info.com/canal/driving/map-manotick.html):

Located on the Rideau River, just a few kilometres east of Highway 416, Manotick offers full services to the visiting public. The main shopping area is the Manotick Mews shopping centre. A significant point of interest is the Dickinson Square Conservation Area which hosts Watson's Mill (a 19th century grist mill), the F.E Ayers Building and Dickinson House. There are a number of restaurants in town. Boaters will find several marinas located a few kilometres south of town. There are several golf courses located close to Manotick. In addition, the W.A. Taylor Conservation Area, Baxter Conservation Area, and Rideau River Provincial Park are located south of town on the Rideau River.

Manotick was one of the later developed communities along the Rideau. A small community had developed in the 1830s near the Long Island Locks, north of present day Manotick, but no development was done in the Manotick area until the late-1850s. Failures of the control dams near the Long Island Locks since the late 1830s, resulted in the construction, in 1858, of a new weir near the Long Island Locks and a bulkhead across the west branch of the Rideau River. This provided enough water head for a mill and Moss Kent Dickinson and his partner Joseph Currier purchased the water rights. They built a saw mill and a grist mill. Both opened in 1860. This attracted new settlers, including many from the former community on Long Island. It was Dickinson who in 1864 named the new village Manotick after the Ojibwa word for "island in the river" (Long Island). By 1880 the village had grown to a population of 400.

Manotick thrived on the commercial river traffic, and as it declined, so did Manotick. By the early 1950s, the population of Manotick was about 300 - it was a quiet, rural village. Starting in about the 1970, it was realized by some that living near Manotick and working in Ottawa was a good combination. So a new boom of suburban development occurred, much of it on Long Island.

Today the population of the area is about 4,500 people and Manotick is essentially a satellite suburb of Ottawa. This was made official in 2001 with the amalgamation of Manotick into the newly expanded City of Ottawa.