

## Interim Pastor Manhattan, IL

Wilton Center Federated Church in Manhattan, IL is seeking an interim pastor while we search for a full-time pastor. Since 1917 our congregation has been made up of two denominations – American Baptist and United Methodist. We alternate pastors between the two denominations and as our Methodist pastor was recently reassigned, we are currently in the process of beginning the process of searching for and calling a Baptist pastor. Our heritage of combining two denominations has taught us the importance of serving the Kingdom of God ahead of manmade denominations. The religious affiliation of candidates is, therefore, less important than their beliefs.

Our mission statement says that *“Wilton Center is a place where the desire is to Know, Experience and Demonstrate the Reality of God’s love by Sharing it freely, Growing in it faithfully, Expressing it joyfully, Enjoying it completely, and Living it daily.”* We try to live that mission statement, but also know that perfection is found only in Christ. Our worship services are blended as we try to create a service that allows all to worship.

During the school year, we have a strong mid-week AWANA program for youth 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade and a separate program for junior high and high school youth. We have a regular study group that meets Sunday morning and also sponsor special short term study groups throughout the year. More information about the church can be found on our website at [www.WCFCLife.org](http://www.WCFCLife.org).

The church is located about an hour south of the Northern Illinois Seminary - Lombard Campus so commuting is an option. We also have a parsonage available if that is advantageous. We would prefer a full time interim pastor, however, a part time position is negotiable. Compensation is negotiable based on experience, duties, time commitment, use of the parsonage, and other factors.

If you are interested in submitting a resume or have questions regarding the position, please contact Karen Oglesby at [koglesby1961@gmail.com](mailto:koglesby1961@gmail.com) or 815-258-0535.