The Refuge Church, formerly called Trinity Christian Reformed Church, has a retiring pastor and so we are looking for a new pastor. He would lead us as we join God in his mission to rescue and restore the world. We are a Gospel-based, Christ-worshiping church community and we call ourselves The Refuge. If you are an ordained pastor in the Reformed tradition please read through this introduction, as well as the attached Church Profile and Pastor Job Description, and prayerfully consider if God may be calling you to join us.

## **Introducing**

## The Refuge

In the Bible we read that when God wanted to protect the accused innocent, he established cities of Refuge throughout the land where they could flee and be given fair judgment. He followed this up by frequently calling himself The Refuge, the one to whom those who needed refuge could go to find it. "God is our Refuge and Strength, an ever-present help in trouble." At The Refuge we find this to be a compelling attribute of our loving Father and want desperately to become a community characterized as being a refuge.

We are a community of people who need refuge and want to join God on his mission of rescuing and restoring the entire world and all nations unto himself. He does this by providing refuge, and this is our calling to join him on this mission. To be sure, we have just taken steps in that direction; we are indeed a work in progress. However, you do not have to be big to care. So, we do our best at creating refuge for people living with disabilities by means of friendship and providing a Sensory Sanctuary. We are also working with the Lord in creating refuge for refugees from Africa by providing for basic needs and giving them a church home at Strong Tower Ministries. Our own building and grounds, which for years were underutilized, are now filled with ministries such as schools, churches, support groups and others. And since humanity's calling to care for creation from the very beginning of time has not changed, we are also working at providing refuge for God's magnificent creation in this place we call home. We even have an outdoor Creation Station which we use for teaching kids of all ages about the Gospel in the context of God's creation.

So simply put, we want to be a refuge with Christ at the center, where he calls, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Need Refuge? We can help you find it.

How to apply: Either email or mail the following to

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- Cover letter
- Resume
- Statement of faith

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