

Peace & Justice Advocate

Ministry role description

Role Overview

A Peace & Justice Advocate's role is to provide a link between their congregation and the ACC Peace and Justice Committee and to encourage their congregation to reflect and act on what it means to be followers of Christ, the Prince of Peace. This fostering reflection and action can be carried out through sharing of information and nurturing positive dialogue. The Advocate should be affirmed by leadership of the congregation

Ministry Activities:

1. Assist the pastor and congregation in using available P&J resources
2. Share information on local and relevant P&J issues and events with the congregation; from the congregation to the P&J committee and advocate network
3. Remain connected with the ACC Peace & Justice Committee through bi-monthly newsletters and occasional advocate gatherings and trainings

Qualifications of an advocate

1. Desire to help integrate faith-centered P&J principles into the congregation, and an interest in dialogue on the role of peace as part of Christian witness
2. Work well with church leadership to weave peace conversations into the life of church on what it means to follow the Prince of Peace. Participation in Peace Sunday, organization of Sunday School series, arranging for guest speakers are possible ways.
3. Be willing to communicate with the congregation in whatever way seems most helpful in the local context

Selection/appointment process

1. Advocates are selected by church leaders or a congregational process
2. Church leaders may consult with the Peace & Justice Committee Chair or staff liaison about the advocate role or appointment process

ACC's Peace & Justice Committee facilitates **service, education and advocacy** for congregations of Atlantic Coast Conference.

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The need for reconciliation at home and abroad is urgent and growing.

Now, more than ever, those of us who believe that following Jesus means working for peace and justice, must engage the world around us.

We must walk boldly into the places of pain, suffering, poverty and violence with the words of peace on our lips, and the tools of peace at the ready.

Jesus is at the center of this sacred work, and the church continues as a unique, irreplaceable vehicle for it.

The ACC Peace & Justice Committee works to connect congregations with resources to integrate faith-centered principles into congregational life.

Join us!

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