

# 2026 Presbytery of South Louisiana

## Terms of Service for an Ordained PCUSA Pastor in Temporary Service

The \_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterian Church (USA) of (location) \_\_\_\_\_ belonging to the Presbytery of South Louisiana, being well satisfied with your qualifications for ministry and confident that we have been led to you by the Holy Spirit as one whose service will be profitable to the spiritual interests of our church and fruitful for the Kingdom of our Lord, earnestly and solemnly calls you (name) \_\_\_\_\_ to undertake the office of \_\_\_\_\_ this congregation

That you may be free to devote yourself \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time (35 hours per week or more, according to the Board of Pensions) \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_\_\_ (Number of hours per week) to the ministry of the Word and Sacrament among us, we promise and obligate ourselves to pay you the amounts below: The length of this term is \_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Form of Service: ☐ Commissioned Pastor ☐ Interim/Transitional ☐ Stated Supply ☐ From other Denomination

Is the pastor retired? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Other

### INCOME

(Income subject to SECA calculation)

1. Annual Cash Salary \$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Housing /Utilities/Manse \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. Total SECA Income (Add lines 1+2): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Income NOT subject to SECA)

4. Deferred Compensation (eg. 403(b) employee contributions, etc) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
5. Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

6. TOTAL EFFECTIVE SALARY (Add lines 3+4+5): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### BENEFITS AND PENSION

For BOP Benefits options, please call BOP Rep Kevin Keaton (215 435 1301) or visit <https://www.pensions.org/decision-guide/>

7. CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING 4 OPTIONS:

- a. Paid to Board of Pensions for Congregational Pastors plan \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please describe BOP Coverage plan offered) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Paid to Board of Pensions for Covenant plan \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Paid to Board of Pensions for Post-Retirement Service Dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- d. No benefits provided \$ \_\_\_\_\_
8. Paid to Board of Pensions for Optional Benefits \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(specify...eg. Vision, Dental etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

9. TOTAL PAID TO THE BOARD OF PENSIONS (Add lines 7+8): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### ALLOWANCES:

10. SECA tax allowance, up to 50% (7.65% x line 3) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
11. Other Allowances (specify)(eg. Employer 403(b) match) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

12. TOTAL ALLOWANCES (Add lines 10+11): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:	
13. Automobile	\$ _____
14. Continuing Education ( <i>minimum \$250.00</i> )	\$ _____
15. Professional	\$ _____
16. Other (specify) <i>e.g cell phone, Reimbursed Moving Expenses</i>	\$ _____
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17. TOTAL REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES BUDGETED (Add lines 13+14+15+16):	\$ _____
18. TOTAL COST TO CHURCH (Add lines 6+9+12+17):	\$ _____
OTHER BENEFITS:	
Vacation _____ weeks (PSL minimum of 4 weeks *For 1 year contracts)	
Study leave _____ weeks (PSL minimum of 2 weeks *For 1 year contracts)	
Other (specify) _____	
APPROVAL:	
The members of this session, in a session meeting on _____ (date), reviewed and approved the above terms of service for _____, effective _____ (date).	
The Terms of Service will be reviewed for renewal at least yearly after a performance review, unless specifically changed by a vote of the session. For tax purposes, changes are effective on the date they are approved by the session. They are not retroactive, so please act promptly.	
ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS	
<b>Family Leave:</b> Should the need arise; this call includes provision for a minimum of twelve weeks of paid family medical leave. During Paid Leave, the pastor will continue to receive all benefits in these terms of call, including dues paid to and benefits provided by the Board of Pensions. Use of vacation time is not required but may be used to extend leave time at your discretion. Examples of Medical Leave include: Parental Leave; Caregiver/Family Leave; Personal Loss. (G-2.0804) For further information, please see the PSL Family Leave Policy, approved 06/2024.	

Clerk of Session or Congregational Witness	Date	Pastor	Date
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COM Moderator or General Presbyter	Date
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