

# Membership & Women's Maturity Pastor

## Our Story

St David's Forestville started as a church in a tent in 1953, and since then, has grown to be a church that is now seeking to see *God glorified as thousands are being transformed by Jesus in the Forest and beyond.*

This is an exciting time to join St David's. We've been revitalised by this fresh vision and our church community is excited about the possibilities ahead under God.

St David's is now home to 150 adults, 60 kids and 30 youth, yet there is still so much gospel work to do in the Forest. The gospel momentum is growing as members are inviting family and friends to church, people from the community are starting to visit, and people are growing in their love for God's Word and we're seeing this transform their lives.

We are seeking to be intentional in what we do and why we do it, and we have a strategic focus in 2023 to particularly help people who visit St David's start to belong and be part of our community and to encourage women to deeply trust God's Word.

## The role

By the grace of God, in the last six months we have enjoyed having many new people come and visit our church. This has meant that most weeks, we have new people visiting, some wanting to investigate who Jesus is, others wanting to find a new church to call home because they've moved into the area.

In 2023, we are looking to appoint a three days/week Membership Pastor. We may consider expanding this role to extend to women's maturity ministry as a Women's Maturity Pastor for an extra two days/week. We want someone with a pastoral heart, and entrepreneurial spirit, and a passion to build a ministry that will see God glorified as thousands are being transformed by Jesus in the Forest and beyond.

- As the Membership Pastor, the successful applicant will be tasked with leading us in the area of deeply belonging in community with each other. The focus will be on building teams and structures to help all people at St David's get connected into the life of church, belong in community with others, and care and be cared for, with a particular focus on the newcomer.
- Assuming St David's moves ahead with a Women's Maturity Pastor, the successful applicant will be tasked with leading us in the area of deeply trusting God's Word, particularly focused on discipling women. This would include working in partnership with our current Maturity Pastor. The focus will be on building teams and structures to lead and encourage all women at St David's to grow in deeply trusting God's Word and seeing this transform their lives.

Position	Membership (& possible Women's Maturity) Pastor
Reports to	Lead Pastor
Time	Permanent Part Time, 3-5 days/week
Starting	Early 2023
Package	This role will be remunerated according to the remuneration guidelines of the Anglican Dioceses of Sydney

## 1. Membership Pastor

The purpose of this role is to lead us as a church in the area of deeply belonging in community with each other, so that our members and newcomers experience and are excited about belonging to the body of Christ and expressing this unity together at St David's.

### Responsibilities

- 1. Connection** – develop, build and lead teams and structures that help the newcomer get connected into the life of our church, with a particular focus during our Sunday gatherings
- 2. Community** – develop, build and lead teams and structures that help all people at St David's enjoy deeper relationships as they grow in belonging to our community
- 3. Care** – develop, build and lead teams and structures that help care for people who are in need or going through difficulties in life. So that we are expressing practical love and care for those in our church community

### Skills

*Must have:*

- Pastoral heart and love for people
- A desire to see people deeply belong in the community of believers
- Able to lead through teams rather than just individuals
- Able to implement systems and structures to support the ministry
- A Self Starter: able to identify connection, community and care opportunities

*Good to have or learn on the job*

- How to use Elvanto (our church management system)
- Strategic planning and implementing experience

## 2. Possible Women's Maturity Pastor

The purpose of this role is to lead us in the area of deeply trusting God's Word, particularly focused on discipling women, so that as women are engaging with the living Word of God, they will deeply trust God and want to live transformed lives shaped by Jesus.

## Responsibilities

1. **Pastor** – develop, build and lead teams and structures that help women grow as disciples of Jesus as the Word of God is opened and wrestled with
2. **Teacher** – to spend time personally deep in the Word to then teach and preach to women in various situations and events to show how God's Word transforms their lives
3. **Trainer** – develop, train and lead key women at St David's to joyfully, confidently and fruitfully teach God's Word to other women

## Skills

*Must have:*

- Pastoral heart and love for people
- A desire to see people deeply trust God's Word
- Able to teach God's Word faithfully and engagingly
- Able to lead through teams rather than just individuals
- Able to implement systems and structures to support the ministry
- A Self Starter: able to identify opportunities to deepen women's trust in God's Word

*Good to have or learn on the job*

- How to use Elvanto (our church management system)
- Strategic planning and implementing experience

## 3. Qualifications and Experience

- The successful candidate will have at least a diploma-level qualification from a reformed evangelical theological college.
- They will also have a proven ability to lead ministry teams and disciple people.
- A Working with Children Check and completed Safe Ministry Training will be required before commencement and must be maintained as current at all times.

## 4. Expectations

- A person of deep Christian character who exudes warmth and a love for people
- A commitment to Reformed Evangelical theology
- Strong alignment with our vision and values of St David's Forestville

**Next Steps:** Please email your cover letter and resume to our office administrator Marina Blythe at [office@stdavids.com.au](mailto:office@stdavids.com.au).

Applications will close on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

We look forward to hearing from you!