

UniChurch Minister, St Jude's Carlton

Lead a strategic university congregation in the heart of Melbourne.

At St Jude's, we're passionate about helping students meet Jesus, become mature disciples, develop their gifts and spend their lives serving Christ wherever he leads them.

We're looking for a gifted leader to pastor a thriving congregation of university students and young workers and help shape the next generation of Christian leaders.

This is an opportunity to lead a growing ministry, develop an exceptional staff team and reach uni students in Melbourne with the gospel.

About St Jude's UniChurch

St Jude's is a growing evangelical Anglican church in Melbourne's inner north. Across six congregations we are committed to seeing people become wholehearted followers of Jesus through faithful Bible teaching, courageous evangelism, genuine community and deep discipleship. We're committed to raising leaders, planting churches and sending gospel workers to reach Melbourne and the world.

We are ***a church for the whole person, the whole community, the whole city and the whole world, as we proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ.***

UniChurch gathers at 6pm each Sunday. God has been abundantly kind to this ministry. Every year we see students become Christians, believers grow in maturity, leaders emerge and members step into vocational gospel ministry.

We're looking for someone to lead our next chapter.

The Opportunity

As UniChurch Minister you will:

Pastor & lead the congregation

- Cast vision for the future of UniChurch
- Lead its evangelistic mission to Melbourne Uni and other city universities
- Preach and teach God's word
- Shepherd students and young adults toward mature discipleship
- Build healthy ministry structures that provide care and enable growth

Lead the ministry team

- Lead the UniChurch staff team (currently a team of six staff, trainees and student ministers)
- Supervise relevant staff (UniChurch Discipleship Minister, UniChurch Connections Minister and potentially trainees/student ministers)
- Develop a joyful, healthy and high-performing ministry culture
- Coach and mentor emerging leaders

Help lead St Jude's

- Contribute to the strategic leadership of the Carlton Campus and staff team
- Help shape the future direction of our church alongside the Vicar and staff team
- Work alongside St Jude's Director of Training to strengthen our ministry training and encourage people towards vocational ministry and global mission

We're looking for someone who...

- Loves Jesus and demonstrates mature Christian character worthy of imitation
- Is an excellent Bible teacher
- Has strong theological formation and training
- Has an evangelistic heart
- Has experience and enjoys building and leading ministry teams
- Has experience and enjoys developing younger leaders
- Works collaboratively and leads with humility
- Has experience and ministers effectively across cultures
- Is an ordained Anglican minister or is open to pursuing ordination

Why this role?

This is a role which combines front-line evangelism, Bible teaching, leadership development and strategic church leadership. You'll step into a healthy ministry with significant momentum, lead a unified and talented team, and have freedom to innovate and build. You'll work in a church that believes deeply in developing its staff, raising gospel workers and sending people out with the gospel.

If you're excited by the prospect of seeing students come to faith, disciples grow in maturity and leaders raised for lifelong gospel ministry, we'd love to hear from you.

Employment

- Full-time position, with the possibility of negotiation with suitable candidates
- Reports to the Carlton Campus Minister (Sam Oldland)
- Remuneration according to the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne Stipend Determination, including housing
- Five weeks annual leave and two weeks study leave p.a.
- Appointment subject to Anglican Diocese of Melbourne safe ministry requirements
- Position available from October 2026 (we're open to waiting for the right candidate to be ready)

Apply

Please send your CV, a cover letter and three ministry referees, including one who has been under your pastoral leadership.

For a confidential conversation about the role, please contact Sam Oldland at soldland@stjudes.org.au