

**Ready to Reimagine Rural Ministry?**

The East of Eden Mission Community is on an exciting journey to transform the landscape of rural ministry. As an ecumenical group, we are embracing fresh, innovative approaches to meet the missional and pastoral needs of our vibrant rural communities.

We’ve made great strides, but there’s so much more to achieve. Could you bring your vision, energy, passion, and problem solving to help us shape the future of rural ministry?

If so we’d love to hear from you!

**Here’s what sets us apart:**

* **Rooted but Visionary:** Honouring our heritage while embracing innovation.
* **Collaborative Spirit:** Committed to working together across traditions and parishes.
* **Forward-Looking:** Passionate about building the church of tomorrow.
* **Firm Foundations:** Financially secure with a commitment to being self-sustaining

**Join Our Team**

We are looking for dynamic individuals to help lead and shape our mission in the East of Eden Mission Community. These opportunities are ideal for those passionate about rural ministry and ready to collaborate across traditions in innovative ways.

**We are seeking:**

* **An Anglican Mission Community Leader** To co-lead the community alongside their Methodist counterpart.
* Legally, this role encompasses being Rector of Kirkoswald, Lazonby, Great Salkeld, and Renwick with Croglin, as well as Priest-in-Charge of the eight churches in the Cross Fell Benefice. This is a full-time stipendiary post (30,912 as at April 2024)
* **An Anglican Associate Minister**
  + With a community-wide brief focused on supporting and facilitating the ministry of the laity and creating a sustainable future. This is a part-time stipendiary post (£4,416 plus housing, three days a week including Sundays)
* **A Full-Time Lay Pioneer Minister**
  + Dedicated to engaging with those outside the traditional church community and leading initiatives in children and families’ ministry. This is a full-time paid post – please see the Mission Community website for full details: <https://eastofedenmc.org.uk>

Each of these roles presents a unique opportunity to make a significant impact in rural ministry, working collaboratively with an ecumenical and forward-looking team. Could one of these roles be your calling?

For an informal conversation, please contact Archdeacon Ruth Newton at [archdeacon.north@carlislediocese.org.uk](mailto:archdeacon.north@carlislediocese.org.uk) .

For more information please visit <https://www.carlislediocese.org.uk/vacancies/> and

<https://eastofedenmc.org.uk/>

**Closing Date: 30th April 2025**

**Interview Date: 20th June 2025**