

2010 Church Profile:

Exeter Presbyterian Church

Exeter, New Hampshire

“Nourishing the soul in the hope of the resurrection”

Summary: Current pastor Steve Magee and his family began planting Exeter Presbyterian Church in 1994. The church meets at 73 Winter Street in Exeter. Exeter is noteworthy for its classic New England small town character and location along the Squamscott River, as well as for being the site of 18th century evangelist George Whitefield’s last sermon and the home of the world-renowned private high school, Philips Exeter Academy. It is located in southeast New Hampshire, 12 miles west of the Atlantic Ocean and 10 miles north of the New Hampshire-Massachusetts line, near interstate 95.



The Squamscott River in Exeter, NH

History

Work Begun: 1994

First Worship Service: 1996

Particularized: 1997

Membership

Communing Members: 78

Covenant Children: 10

Pastor: Steve Magee

Pastor’s Assistant: Matt Parks

Ruling Elders: 5 (1 emeritus)

Deacons: 2

Worship/Sunday School

Sun. morning worship: 10:30 a.m.

Sun. evening worship: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

Mid-week meeting: 3rd Wed/month

Worship style: traditional/liturgical

Ministry Highlights: daily worship, study, missions, & service opport.

Introduction to Exeter

Median Household Income, 2007: \$57,817

Median House/Condo Value, 2007: \$261,437

Cost of Living, 2008 (US average = 100): 119.9

Unemployment Rate, 10/09: 6.1%

Educational Attainment Breakdown (age 25+)

High School or higher 88.5%

Bachelor’s Degree or higher 35.4%

Graduate/Professional Degree 16.8%

Largest Employers

Exeter Hospital 1000

Philips Exeter Academy 520

Osram Sylvania 318

Local Attractions:

American Independence Museum (Exeter)

Nearest Major Cities:

Boston (55 miles S); Manchester (30 miles W)

Nearest Hospital: Exeter Hospital (100 beds)

Local Newspaper: Exeter News-Letter

Local Television: WMUR channel 9 (ABC)

Average January Low Temperature: 15.3°

Average July High Temperature: 82.6°

Average Annual Precipitation: 48.1 inches

Average Annual Snowfall: 60 inches

Town Population, 2007: 14,735

Pop. change: +4.5% since 2000

Racial Breakdown:

White, non-Hispanic 96.7%

Two or more races 1.0%

Hispanic 0.8%

Median Age: 39.0 (37.1 NH)

Age Breakdown:

Age 19 and under 26.2%

Ages 20-34 15.4%

Ages 35-54 32.2%

Ages 55-64 9.3%

Age 65 and over 17.0%

Avg. Household Size: 2.3 people

Local Major Colleges or Universities:

University of New Hampshire (13 miles)

Southern New Hampshire U. (30 miles)

Local Public Schools: SAU-16 District

Exeter High School, Coop. Middle School,

Main Street School, Lincoln Street School

Local Major Private Schools:

Philips Exeter Academy

Portsmouth Christian Academy