Christian Educator of Children and Youth in the vibrant setting of University Circle

Title: Christian Educator of Children and Youth

Status: Part-Time, Exempt (20 hours/week, including Sundays –otherwise flexible schedule)

Position Summary: The Christian Educator will be a spiritual leader within the church community, working to incorporate young disciples within the congregation and provide regular age-appropriate activities for faith formation.

Accountability: The Coordinator takes direction from the Head of Staff.

Qualifications:
- Desire and passion for connecting with children, youth and families.
- Effective written and verbal communication skills
- Strong theological base and spiritual maturity
- Bachelor’s Degree
- Demonstrated leadership and teaching skills.
- Values consonant with those of The Church of the Covenant as it seeks to be a welcoming spiritual home, live God’s inclusive love, express Christ’s compassion, and do justice in the world. Knowledgeable about the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
- Proficient in technology- computer, smartphone and social media.

Duties and Responsibilities
- Build relationships with current member families and their children.
- Work with the Ministry of Faith Formation to grow the Christian Education community and reach out to young families seeking a spiritual home.
- Coordinate the planning and scheduling of the children/youth programs and leaders/teachers.
- Resource or design and implement faith formation programs in the Presbyterian tradition.
- Update website and social media regularly with new materials.
- Facilitate special services like Youth Sunday and the Christmas Pageant.
- Attend and contribute to monthly Ministry of Faith Formation meetings.
- Coordinate individual meetings with the education team to plan curriculum, upcoming events and special service. (Pageant, Youth Sunday, and Parent’s Night Out)
- Keep inventory of supplies and resources prepared for worship and activities.
- Send regular emails/text/letters to families and children.
- Plan and coordinate Creche childcare.
- Plan and coordinate outreach to the community and mission experiences.
- Ensure updating and implementation of the Child Protection Policy.
- Oversee the budgeted expenditures for youth and children’s ministry.

**Other Responsibilities:**

- Participate in team staff meetings as needed.
- Work on joint projects with other staff members.
- Network in the community and with other churches to develop and share a mutual resource base of children’s ministry expertise.

**Core Competencies:**

- **Creativity** - Generates new ideas and develop/improve existing systems that challenge the status quo, take risks, and encourage innovation.

- **Identity** - Works with a clarity of purpose within identified role in organization, modeling healthy and appropriate boundaries.

- **Collaboration** - Utilizes the skills, interests, and potential of volunteers and co-workers to accomplish necessary tasks, setting and communicating realistic expectations for self and others.

- **Strategic Thinking** - Thinks strategically about the whole life of the church and one’s own work within the church.

- **Growth** - Commits to growing and learning, personally and professionally, through a rigorous openness to critique, directness, and feedback.

- **Interpersonal Skills** – Demonstrates the ability to lead others. Demonstrates the skills of active listening and openly accepts criticism. Productively engages and resolves interpersonal conflict. Holds others accountable in a spirit of love. Engages people positively, with a demeanor of optimism and abundance.

**Contract for Services:**

- Duration of initial term shall be for nine months commencing on September 1, 2022, with potential for multi-year renewal. Term is renewable at the recommendation of the Head of Staff with Personnel review at 3 months and majority approval of the Session – Annually by April 1 of each year.

- Remuneration: total compensation of $24,000/year.

- Paid annual leave of 80 hours (equivalent of four weeks or one month)
incrementally accrued each pay period. Vacation taken in coordination with the church and the academic calendars.

● Equal Opportunity Statement:

There is no place in the life of the Church for discrimination against any person on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, sex, disability, or geography.

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