

Youth and Family Ministries Leader- First Congregational Church Hanson 1.26.21

Position summary

The First Congregational Church in Hanson is seeking a part-time Youth and Family Ministry Leader whose primary responsibility is to help equip and strengthen the youth and families of our church for a journey and life in Christian faith and relationship with Jesus, by providing opportunities for growth, study, worship and Christian community. We believe that as this leader develops disciples in Christ, he/she will connect with students and their parents, where they are, and be in tune with the issues that they are facing. Since our congregation desires to build our reach and influence for Christ in the surrounding community, this leader will help develop and champion a new vision for our ministry to this rising generation. Using the existing framework of contemporary Worship, Sunday School and Youth Group, they have a major role to play in creating and encouraging new programs and opportunities for Christian experience.

Job responsibilities - Working closely with Pastor and lay leadership to:

1. Envision, plan, schedule, direct, and work toward the growth of youth and family ministry programs and events
2. Build relationships with parents of children and youth in the church and community, providing tools and events that encourage their participation and give opportunities for their spiritual growth
3. Coordinate and further develop contemporary Worship services. Also, to teach and preach the Christian message from Scripture during worship. These services, currently monthly, will move toward greater frequency.
4. Lead weekly Youth Group meetings for Middle and High School students
5. Be the staff resource for the Christian Education Committee, assisting in the selection of curriculum and running Sunday School programs
6. Be the staff resource for the Vacation Bible School program, youth retreats, and other off-site ministry opportunities
7. Provide for the security and well-being of all participants complying with all-church Risk Management guidelines
8. Stay abreast of youth ministry practices through reading, youth leadership conferences, media

Requirements - The ideal candidate will demonstrate:

1. A vibrant Christian faith and knowledge of the Bible
2. Passion, energy and experience. working effectively with children, youth, and family ministries
3. Outstanding leadership and team building skills
4. The ability to work both independently and as part of a team
5. Strong oral communication skills: ability to teach effectively and bring Scriptures to life
6. Competency with current technologies such as social media, PowerPoint and video to facilitate the communication, community and growth of programs.
7. Academic Achievement: Bachelor's degree & pursuit of higher education in Christian ministry is preferred

Working conditions:

1. Part time position- starting at 20 hours per week, with intent to expand to 25 hours
2. Requires flexible hours, including weekends and some evening availability

Supervision:

1. Hired by Board of Trustees; Supervised by a committee composed of pastor, one or more Deacons, and other congregation members
2. Position will be reviewed annually