

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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Webster United Methodist is looking for a dynamic, inspiring, community-oriented individual to fill our position of **Director of Children's Ministries**. The Director of Children's Ministries shall seek to foster a caring Christian community and build the faith of our children through creative experience and learning. They should be an organized, self-motivated person who cares deeply about the welfare and spiritual development of children. This position requires exceptional skills in nurturing children, working with parents, and coordinating with nursery and youth staff. The primary job focus is age 3 through 6th grades.

Overview

The mission of this position is to create compelling and relevant children's programming that will grow new disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

- The estimated workload is 10 hour per week; beginning salary is budgeted at \$10,000/year.
- This staff position reports directly to the Pastor.
- This staff position is accountable to the direction and decisions of the Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee.
- Regular attendance at staff meetings is expected.

Major Job Responsibilities

- **To participate** in fulfilling our mission of creating new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, including creating and coordinating programs (such as Sunday school and the development of seasonal and mid-week programming including a monthly Wednesday evening program) in an effort to reach out to and include the children of the community.
- **To serve** on the Intentional Faith Development Team, collaborating in decisions of curriculum, teacher staffing, and the development and management of the Children's Ministry budget.
- **To recruit and coordinate** members as servants in children's ministries.
- **To worship** with us on Sunday mornings and at seasonal services. He/she will help to organize and occasionally lead the "Children's Moment", and recruit and develop the gifts of others to participate in this ministry.
- **To communicate** actively with the Church and parents, meeting regularly with the pastor, and providing articles for the newsletter/web page/ bulletin boards.
- **To partner** with us in the creation and maintenance of a safe environment for children.
- **To participate** in professional goal setting and periodic review of goals.
- **To assist** as needed.

Required Qualifications and Experience:

- Must pass a background check and maintain annual certification in our Safe Sanctuary Program.
- Possess or obtain online Conference Safe Sanctuary training.

- Possess a working knowledge of United Methodist theology and practice, or be willing to learn.
- Excel in written and verbal communications.
- Demonstrate passion for working with children and their families.
- Possess prior experience and /or training in children's ministries or working with children.
- Must have earned a high school degree; some college is preferred.
- Must have or be willing to receive training in First Aid and Pediatric CPR.
- Possess a positive encouraging personality that appeals to children.

Faith Orientation:

- Demonstrate spiritual disciplines exemplified by an active faith in Christ.
- Must have a desire to share the Christian faith with others.
- Possess an attitude of loving forgiveness that encourages and uplifts others.
- Demonstrate a solid understanding of scripture that is undergirded by reason, tradition, and experience.
- Possess a strong belief in the value of learning and growing in faith.