

2024 Summer Intern for Children & Youth Ministries

Church Mission Statement

Follow the Path of Christ into Discipleship. We study God's word, practice the spiritual disciplines, discover our gifts for ministry, find our vocation, and minister in Christ's name. Follow the Path of Christ into Christian Community. We are united in the body of Christ, which includes people of all races and nations, ministering to each other and to the world, according to our gifts. Follow the Path of Christ into the future. We learn how to interpret the Bible for our times and endeavor to discern God's will in an ever-changing world.

Purpose

This program exists to provide learning opportunities for an intern through ministry to children and youth. This experience aims to help the intern:

- Gain practical ministry training.
- Work in an atmosphere of personal and professional guidance and support.
- Explore their gifts for and discern their call to vocational ministry.
- Develop spiritually and theologically.

Qualifications

- Growing personal commitment to Jesus Christ, the body of Christ, and God's work in the world.
- Ability to work effectively with children, youth and their families; exhibiting creativity, understanding, and patience.
- Willingness to be "stretched" into new areas of leadership.
- Current enrollment in college or recently graduated from college.
- Available ten weeks of summer: May 28 August 18, 2024 (flexible start/end date)

Accountability

- Intern is directly accountable to the Director of Christian Education for Children's Ministries and Associate Pastor for Youth and College Students.
- Intern is expected to carry a consistent full-time work load, for ten weeks. Work days are typically Sunday through Thursday in addition to some nights and weekends. Intern is expected to participate in one week-long summer youth trip and one four or six day summer children's trip.
- The intern salary will be \$3,220 based on ten weeks of work. No benefits are offered with this job, however housing in the local campus ministry can be provided.
- All summer children and youth program events will be provided free of charge for the intern.
- Church-related expenses and mileage will be reimbursed with the prior approval of supervisors, in accordance with Faith Presbyterian Church's personnel policies.
- Supervisors will consider any requests for personal time off on a case-by-case basis.
- Intern will be expected to abide by the requirements set forth in the Child and Youth Protection Policy.

Responsibility

- Present the gospel of Jesus Christ to young people and encourage them in their growth through the study of scripture, prayer, fellowship, worship and service.
- Assist Supervisors in planning and executing ministry programming for both children and youth.
 This includes children and youth Sunday school, children's sermon in worship (Prayer for Young Disciples), fellowship events, mission projects, Vacation Bible School, camps, and all other events planned by staff.
- Attend weekly worship, staff meetings, related committee meetings, children and youth fellowship events, assigned summer trips, and all other events planned by the staff.
- Maintain personal spiritual and professional growth.
- Assist in the coordination of volunteers and encourage them in their ministry.
- Initiate contact with youth in order to build relationships wherein the gospel can be communicated through word and action. Relational time with youth may include such activities as lunch, playing games, making phone calls, and going out for ice cream.
- Keep children, youth, and families informed with regard to upcoming events.
- Directly responsible for:
 - o Participating in the Youth & Families committee and the Children & Families committee.
 - o Assisting in leadership of Vacation Bible School and Mission Madness.
 - o Participating in one youth trip and one children's trip by being an adult chaperone and helping organize the trip.

Applicants will be hired by a Search Committee

Interested applicants should send the following materials to Erin Rugh:

- A letter of application stating the applicant's interest in ministry with children and youth. Applicants may also choose to share any specific personal gifts or goals.
- A resume showing previous church involvement, volunteer hours, and employment.
- A brief written journey of faith (or statement of faith).
- Two letters of reference from professors, church staff/mentors, professional friends, or former employers.

Application should be received by February 24; the search committee will begin phone/Zoom interviews promptly. Application information and references should be submitted to the contact information below. If submitting by mail:

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Questions/Concerns

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