## First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia Job Description Youth Director

Reports Directly to: Director of Faith Formation

**Status:** Part Time (10-15 hrs/ week + periodic weekends and weeks for special trips)

**FLSA:** Non-Exempt

## **Job Summary**

The Youth Director will develop, coordinate, and implement all programmatic areas of the church relating to faith formation and Christian education of students in the congregation who are in  $6^{\text{th}}$ - $12^{\text{th}}$  Grades.

The Youth Director must be a self-motivated person and a conscientious worker who accepts and carries out responsibilities with enthusiasm and imagination. In addition, s/he is to exhibit other positive work habits such as promptness, friendliness, and willingness to serve as part of a team.

## **Essential Functions:**

- Develop and maintain relationships with the students in the church as well as their families in order to strengthen their connection with the church and gain an awareness of their spiritual needs.
- Create and lead opportunities for the spiritual development, fellowship, and mission work of the congregation's middle school and high school students, including regular Youth Group gatherings, social events, and engagement with mission partners.
- Organize curriculum in coordination with the Director of Faith Formation to be used during Youth Group gatherings and effectively teach material.
- Planning and implementing events, trips, and retreats, including but not limited to lock-ins at the church, day and overnight retreats locally, mission activities, including local day-long experiences and extended trips.
- Coordinating participation in church-wide conferences, including the Montreat Youth Conference, Massanetta Middle School Conference, and Triennium.
- Foster an environment that encourages students and families to invite others to join.
- Assist the Director of Faith formation with planning and implementation of Youth Sunday each year.
- Communicate to the congregation the progress and needs of the Youth Group through writing articles in each First Press, announcements during the worship service, email, and social media.
- Assist relevant committees to recruit, train, and coordinate volunteers for all Youth Group events and church events where youth are involved.

- Coordinate with the Director of Faith Formation to implement Confirmation each year.
- Attend and participate in all Youth Committee meetings as well as relevant meetings pertaining to the youth of the congregation.
- Any other duties assigned by the Director of Faith Formation.

## Requirements

- College degree completed or in process.
- Ability to build relationships with middle and high school students.
- Energetic and enthusiastic about youth ministry
- Education or Religion course work preferred

Submit cover letter, resume, and inquiries to fpcyouth1621@gmail.com.