

SAINT MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Position Description

Position Title: Dir., Youth and Family Ministries

Reports To: Senior Pastor

Status: Exempt

Hours: Full-time, 40 hrs/week

Position Purpose: To disciple, nurture and empower youth (middle school through high school) and their families toward maturity in their Christian faith, and promote their integration into the life of the church.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Develop and coordinate ministry opportunities for youth and their families including learning, leadership, fellowship, service and camping

- Plan and organize events and curriculum.
- Recruit and train volunteers to implement curriculum and events
- Oversee fundraising efforts to support program development
- Create and facilitate a Youth Committee for visioning, planning and evaluating program components
- Research opportunities and resources within the larger community for ministry events and programs

Serve as staff liaison to the congregation for youth in support of other ministries and in collegial networks in the larger community

- Serve as a resource in the identification of youth in support of other ministries within the church
- Represent St. Mark's in the Saint Paul Area Synod youth network

Nurture the youth along with their families through one-on-one and small group interactions

- Available to youth on an as needed basis
- Responsible for small group possibilities
- Responsible for introducing at least one new youth fellowship opportunity per quarter

Administer Youth and Family ministry programs

- Maintain annual budget for youth and family ministry programs
- Ensure adequate supplies are available for all programs
- Publicize all youth activities and opportunities and ensure all St. Mark's youth are invited to participate
- Reserve and manage the usage of space within the church building

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Arts degree in education, human services, religion or related field
- Certification in Youth and Family Ministry and/or a Master's degree in Youth and Family Ministry is preferred.

COMPETENCIES

- An active faith in Jesus Christ and ability to articulate it verbally and in daily living
- Solid understanding of Lutheran theology
- Knowledge and understanding of current youth culture and family systems
- Flexible, with strong communication, organizational, management and team building skills
- Ability to recruit, train and lead lay leaders
- Knowledge of and comfort using computer applications appropriate for youth ministry
- Willingness and interest in representing St Mark's in the larger community
- Ability to work in a cooperative and professional manner with the various committees and groups of the congregation to fulfill the mission of the church
- Musical talents and abilities are a plus

For more information and an application form, please see our website at www.stmarks-nsp.org

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