

Job Opening: Youth Ministry Director, Southminster Presbyterian Church

Location: Beaverton, Oregon

Compensation: \$29-\$34 per hour

Position Overview:

We are seeking a passionate and dynamic Youth Ministry Director to mentor and inspire young people.

This part-time position will have fluctuating hours but will average 10-15 hours per week across the year, with two full-time weeks for summer youth events. The Youth Ministry Director is responsible for planning and facilitating weekly Sunday school for grades 5-12, organizing youth activities, fostering a sense of community, and equipping youth with faith, compassion, and understanding. If you have a heart for youth ministry and are eager to guide the next generation in exploring faith and service, we encourage you to apply!

About Southminster Presbyterian Church:

Southminster Presbyterian Church, an inclusive and progressive congregation in Beaverton, OR, has a long history of progressive ministry and social justice advocacy. We are committed to theological exploration, meaningful service, and fostering an inclusive faith community. Our members actively engage in making a positive impact within the church and the broader world. Learn more about Southminster at www.southmin.org.

Key Responsibilities:

- **Foster Relationships:** Create a welcoming, inclusive, and supportive environment where youth feel valued and build meaningful friendships.
- **Plan Outdoor Activities:** Organize events that encourage teamwork, fellowship, and appreciation for the natural world.
- **Teach Bible Lessons:** Develop and lead engaging lessons that connect scripture to the lives of young people.
- **Organize Mission Trips:** Plan and lead trips that immerse youth in service, cultural understanding, and spiritual growth.
- **Teach About World Religions:** Provide opportunities for youth to learn about and engage respectfully with diverse faith traditions.
- **Instill Progressive Social Values:** Encourage discussions on justice, inclusion, and ethical responsibility (e.g., Our Whole Lives: Lifespan Sexuality Education curriculum)
- **Lead Community Service Projects:** Inspire youth to help others through meaningful outreach initiatives.

- **Communicate to Congregation About Upcoming Events/Activities:** In partnership with the Children's Ministries Director, deliver all-church announcements during worship on Sunday mornings. Use multiple forms of communication to keep families informed about youth events specifically.
- **Manage the Budget:** Manage the children's ministry budget, allocating funds for program materials, supplies and special events.
- **Collaborate with Church Leadership:** Work closely with the Senior Pastor, the Youth Ministry Director and other church leaders to align children's ministry goals with the overall church vision.

Qualifications:

- **Education:** Bachelor's degree in education, theology, counseling, social work, or a related field.
- **Background/Perspective:** Basic familiarity with the Bible and supportive of progressive Christian theology. A history of participation in progressive faith communities is a major plus.
- **Experience:** Proven experience working with teens in the context of church ministry, social justice work, counseling, mentoring, or teaching, with a strong ability to connect authentically with young people.
- **Leadership:** A confident and compassionate leader who can inspire and guide youth while effectively managing programs and events.
- **Mentorship:** A supportive presence, providing guidance and encouragement for youth in their personal and spiritual growth.
- **Organizational Skills:** Strong ability to plan, coordinate, and execute activities, trips, and lessons. Experience organizing local and/or international mission trips is a plus.
- **Commitment to Inclusion:** Passion for creating an inclusive and welcoming environment in alignment with Southminster Presbyterian Church's values.

What We Offer:

- A warm, inclusive, and collaborative church community.
- Opportunities to make a meaningful impact on youth and the broader community.
- Paid time off according to church policy
- Opportunities for continued education to support professional growth

How to Apply:

If you are excited about mentoring and leading youth in an inclusive, faith-filled environment, please submit your **resume, cover letter, and three references** to **personnel@southmin.org**

For questions or more information, contact **Michelle Neiss** at personnel@southmin.org.

Join Southminster Presbyterian Church in inspiring and equipping the next generation to live lives of faith, service, and compassion!