

COORDINATOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES (Part-time)

First Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg, FL

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POSITION TO BE FILLED: Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries (Part-time)

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to be and to make disciples of Jesus Christ who know God and, through love, serve the Lord and others. We will accomplish our mission by practicing radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith development, risk-taking mission, and extravagant generosity.

CONGREGATION SIZE: approximately 350 members

AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 121 in-person / 130 online

DESCRIPTION OF CHARACTERISTICS NEEDED FOR THIS POSITION:

The person chosen for this position will be creative and energetic, with a heart for children and families and an eagerness to share the stories and blessings of Jesus Christ in ways easily grasped by children. The Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries will need to undergo a background check (standard for working with children), and will agree to the Personnel Policies of the church and with the congregation's Child Protection policy

WHAT SPECIFIC TASKS, ASSIGNMENTS AND PROGRAM AREAS WILL THIS POSITION COVER?

The Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries will be asked to develop programs for children and families. Currently what First Presbyterian Church offers for children is minimal, especially due to the COVID shut-down in 2020. The Coordinator will be asked to begin by helping the church decide about implementing and staffing a nursery for young children during worship, and then move toward establishing programs for children older than nursery age, including activities that would reach out to the whole congregation and to the community (examples include: our Trunk or Treat event, family retreat, and Easter Egg Hunt). The Christian Education Committee will be a resource for this position, as will the pastor and other staff.

The Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries will work part-time, 10 to 20 hours per week, as Coordinator and Pastor decide together. The Coordinator will be the main staff person working with the Christian Education and Fellowship Committees, and will attend weekly Zoom staff meetings.

CONGREGATION'S ORGANIZATIONAL VISION FOR MINISTRY:

First Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg has long been an influential church in this Presbytery and this community, with significant ministries for children and youth. After being a 1,000+

member church 30 years ago, membership over the past two decades has declined to approximately 350; the membership including many in their 80's, 90's, and even some over 100 years of age. Ministries with children have declined, especially during the intense time of COVID shut-down (2020-2021), but the church has historic connections with the thriving primary school on our campus, and there is a strong desire for children's programming to resume.

HOW WILL THIS POSITION HELP YOU REACH YOUR VISION AND MISSION GOALS?

In the fall of 2022, the Interim Pastor will lead the church through a planning process. The Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries will help as we assess needs and possibilities for ministries with families in our church and community. This is a vital position for church and pastor as the church rebuilds programs and reassesses its ministry priorities for the future.

MINIMUM – MAXIMUM EFFECTIVE SALARY:

The salary for this part-time position will be decided according to the number of hours negotiated between candidate and pastor.

CONTACT FOR THE POSITION:

- Interim Pastor Ginny Simmons Ellis, ginnye@fpc-stpete.org

REFERENCES:

- Mr. Kyle Brinkman, chair of Christian Education and Fellowship Committee, browncongo@yahoo.com
- Ms. Kathy Bardin, elder on Christian Education and Fellowship Committee, stpetebardin@gmail.com