



Youth Minister (PT)

Seeking: Youth Minister (PT)
Christ Church Cathedral
Lexington, Kentucky

Who We Are: Christ Church Cathedral, a dynamic downtown cathedral seeks a Youth Minister, to lead our thriving youth ministry. The focus of our youth ministry is building relationships with youth, grades 6-12, and equipping youth for lifelong discipleship as they carry God's mission into the world. It is our goal and desire for this ministry to grow in creativity and impact.

The Youth Minister will be directly responsible for:

1. Overseeing the youth ministry for grades 6-12 and working in conjunction with the Associate Rector for Mission and Discipleship.
2. Developing meaningful relationships with youth, families and youth volunteers, while inviting them into a deeper relationship with God, one another, and the world.
3. Spiritually preparing the youth of Christ Church Cathedral for the opportunities and challenges ahead in young adulthood and nurturing a clear sense of Christian identity and an understanding of their God given gifts and talents.
4. Administering the day-to-day operation of youth church school, youth group, confirmation, fund raising, pilgrimage, mission trips and other youth events.
5. Being an integral member of the Christ Church Cathedral staff team.

Responsibilities

Relationships:

1. The Youth Minister will know the youth in the youth directory by name as well as their parents' names.



2. All guests to youth events receive exceptional and timely follow-up, so that all youth are warmly welcomed and invited to be part of our youth ministry.
3. The Youth Minister participates in key Cathedral and school events involving youth connected with Christ Church Cathedral.
4. The Youth Minister creates an inviting atmosphere where youth from the larger community are encouraged to be part of Christ Church Cathedral's youth community and activities.
5. The Youth Minister encourages Cathedral youth to be active participants in the life, worship and mission of the Cathedral and Diocese.
6. The Youth Minister shows expertise with digital tools and will use existing and emerging technologies to connect with youth, families and new audiences.

Events/Programs:

1. The Youth Minister ensures that all details of youth programs and special events are conducted to create an atmosphere of belonging and fellowship, so that emerging spiritual and leadership skills can be developed.
2. The Youth Minister ensures that all events are well publicized and organized so parents are confident that their youth are being faithfully and creatively nurtured.
3. The Youth Minister ensures that event notebooks are completed for each major event and that each notebook is updated after the event is completed.
4. The Youth Minister implements a curriculum for youth church school and youth group, and oversees the recruitment and training of church school teachers and volunteers.
5. The Youth Minister ensures weekly programs (such as Sunday morning classes and youth group) and special events are building excitement among the students and are growing in creativity, participation and enthusiasm. The Youth Minister's goal is to meet or exceed its participation targets.
6. The Youth Minister is available to teach Sunday morning classes when needed and is present on Sunday morning in worship and around the church school classrooms.
7. Involving parents and youth to raise funds for programs, youth mission trips and pilgrimage, and engage the wider community in fund raising events.
8. The Youth Minister will track expenses for the current year and create a proposed budget for the coming year.



Recruiting and Supervision:

1. The Youth Minister ensures timely recruitment, coordination, supervision and training of adult volunteers so adult volunteers feel they have made a difference and are eager to serve the youth ministry in the future.
2. The Youth Minister provides regular meetings for adult volunteers, parent council and youth council for planning, support, training and encouragement.
3. The Youth Minister ensures that electronic copies of all volunteer job descriptions are available, and easily distributed to volunteers.

Goals and Visioning:

1. The Youth Minister works collaboratively with Cathedral leaders to create three year goals and one year benchmarks for youth ministry, which are evaluated and updated annually.

Education

- B.A or B.S, M.Div. a plus, but not required. In lieu of college degree, substantial life experience and/or training in youth ministry will be considered.

Experience

- Substantial experience developing and running successful multi-grade youth programs, event management, and proven ability to cultivate a network of volunteers.

Qualities

- Initiative, leadership, creativity, humor, playfulness, problem solving, patience, empathy, flexibility, energy, a contagious joy for sharing the Gospel, a commitment to grow as a disciple of Christ, and really likes working with youth.



Abilities

- Connects well with youth, families, volunteers and staff, strong communication skills, both oral and written, administration, organization, and the ability to prioritize and balance multiple tasks and competing needs in a high-energy environment while meeting deadlines. A willingness to learn Episcopal traditions is important for non-Episcopal candidates.

Physical Demands

- The Youth Minister will spend a number of nights each year on retreats and trips with youth. In addition, there will be seasons when the physical demands of the youth ministry can be strenuous, particularly when preparing for a major event or multiple major events. Physical exertion and possibly some heavy lifting are required.

To Apply: Please send resume and cover letter to jobs@ccclex.org or **Christ Church Cathedral c/o The Reverend Dr. Charles Halton, 166 Market Street, Lexington, KY 40507**

For more information about Christ Church Cathedral, please visit www.ccclex.org

You are in our prayers as you discern your call to ministry at Christ Church Cathedral.