

## **SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Position/Title:** Youth Worker

**Brief Mission Statement:** To provide well-rounded, biblically based programs for youth that will guide them to grow in their faith in Christ, Christian service, and fellowship to become committed and active Christians. To encourage youth to be the best they can be at anything they want to do.

**Responsibilities:**

Essential functions of this position include, but are not limited to:

- Provide leadership and supervise ministries for youth
- Implement Junior High and Senior High Sunday School classes
- Assist Coordinator of Christian Education in evaluating and assessing present programs and initiate new, innovative programs that targets retaining and attracting new youth
- Collaborate with the Nurture and Education Ministry team to plan and implement milestone programs-confirmation, CONVO, graduates, mission projects and trips, DEEPER, youth choir, acolytes, youth nursery helpers, youth Sunday school helpers, VBS helpers and service to church and community
- Work in partnership with Coordinator of Christian Education to recruit volunteer youth leaders
- Responsible for following Safe Sanctuary guidelines and oversight of the welfare and safety of the youth during activities
- Maintain inventory of all youth resource materials, supplies and equipment. Order additional supplies as needed thru the Coordinator of Christian Education
- Responsible to enter and maintain attendance records for weekly youth group, ministry programs and miscellaneous activities in Simple Church. Follow up on absenteeism
- Provide weekly updates on youth ministry activities and upcoming events to Coordinator of Christian Education who is responsible to provide updates to Coordinating council, monthly church newsletter, mailings, and website.
- Lead, organize and implement fund raising activities as needed to fund special programs and projects
- Plan and maintain an annual calendar of youth events for quarterly distribution to all Church Leaders
- Open to other responsibilities as requested by the Pastor, Coordinating Council and Coordinator of Christian Education

- Attend and participate in weekly church service. Attend required meetings: Nurture and Education ministry team, staff, Auction, camping Scholarship and others as appropriate)
- Plan, lead and attend camp and conference experiences as appropriate

### **Qualifications:**

- Must join our pastor and church leadership in becoming a student and practitioner of the Five Essential Principles of Revitalization – adopted by our church since 2015. 1) Prayer, 2) Worship, 3) Permission Giving – including the "five principles", 4) Purpose, and 5) Practices. (Each new member of our staff visits and receives the initial revitalization training from Desert Spring United Methodist Church, Las Vegas NV. – travel and expenses to be paid by our church.)

***“To invite people to follow Jesus, to love others and transform the greater community through the grace of God.”***

- Ability to work with other ministry leaders, Volunteers, and church staff
- Experience in teaching biblically based learnings and working with youth
- Demonstrated creativity, program planning skills, interpersonal skills, and organizational abilities.
- Adaptable and supportive of change and willingness to explore and embrace new ideas and potential programs
- Ability to use various technology as needed to communicate with and conduct Youth Sunday School and Youth Group activities.
- Must be able to communicate in a professional, effective, timely and positive manner, verbally and in writing with people of all ages
- Ability to learn and utilize Simple Church Database
- Ability to escort youth on church activities and mission trips
- Have, or ability to obtain, a current CPR and First Aid Card.

### **Training Expectations/Self Growth**

- Read job related periodicals and new materials in the field of Youth ministry
- Request new videos, books, etc. from conference center to keep updated
- Participate in continuing education in the form of workshops and conferences
- Network with other Christian educators and Youth leaders