Director of Cross+Generational Ministries

Trinity Lutheran Church Bradenton, FL

Reports to: Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Bobbie Blackburn

Effective: 1/01/16 **Status:** Full-time

Position Summary:

The Director of Cross-Generational Ministries will work to encourage, inspire and nurture on-going faith formation across and between the generations. He or she will equip Trinity's constituents to be involved in lifelong faith formation through Bible Song (our weekly Sunday morning intergenerational program), other intergenerational events, building connections between the families of our Preschool and the congregation, and facilitate age specific faith-building opportunities. Central to this position is a unique connection with our Preschool and Daycare, involving a 50/50 split of time at the inception of the position, and evolving to a 75/25 split of time.

Essential Functions:

Congregational work:

- •Support current intergenerational and age specific activities (Elementary, Confirmation and High School gatherings), adding additional activities as time and interest evolve
- •Expand Cross Gen worship involvement in weekend worship
- •Resource families for faith formation at home

Tree of Life Preschool work:

- •Work as Assistant Director at Tree of Life Preschool 20 hours/week (on the job training, classes, etc. will be provided if this credential is not yet part of your portfolio)
- •Develop relationships with children and families at the Preschool and serve as a link to faith-involvement for these children and families at Trinity.

Other responsibilities:

- Organize milestone events
- Publicize information and resources to congregation through the monthly newsletter, take home sheets, mailings, website, etc.
- Maintain content for web pages related to Cross-Generational Ministries
- Attend weekly staff meetings and monthly board meetings
- Attend appropriate continuing education events
- Provide a written monthly report of activities to council

Minimum Qualifications:

- •LOVE CHILDREN!
- Bachelor's degree, preferably with a certification in youth and family ministry
- Good relational and communication skills with youth, parents, staff and community
- Basic skills in counseling, decision-making, and referrals
- Strong Christian background, preferably Lutheran, that includes basic understanding of Lutheran history, traditions, and theology

The Congregation will provide: A full-time salary based on the Florida-Bahamas Synod guidelines; Pension and health benefits through the ELCA; Four weeks of vacation per year; Continuing education time and money; A two-month sabbatical after four years of service at Trinity Lutheran Church; A mutual ministry support team; Participation, prayers, encouragement, and commitment.

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