

St. Matthew United Church of Christ Wheaton, IL.

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRIES PART TIME 12-15 hours week salaried position

St. Matthew United Church of Christ is an active and vibrant community of people who believe that children are one of the greatest gifts God has given us. They are placed in our hands to nurture so that they may grow to rejoice in God's love in their own way and time. We at St. Matthew U.C.C. accept with joy the privilege and responsibility of partnering with parents to help their children grow in faith. We desire to hire a person who will create a safe space of belonging for everyone, where children and youth can learn to love God and serve their neighbors in our Wheaton neighborhood and beyond.

The Director of Youth Ministries works with volunteers, parents, and other staff to ensure a stimulating, caring, nurturing environment where the youth of the church are educated about God, scripture, and community through an engaging youth group and additional age-appropriate events. Our Open and Affirming statement affirms that we love our neighbor as we love ourselves, and our neighbors include all races, ethnicities, physical and mental abilities, family configurations, sexual orientations, gender identities, and economic conditions.

1. Evaluate and select age and content appropriate curriculum for youth group (6th grade through High School).
2. Lead once weekly youth group activities.
3. Plan regular activities and programs for the spiritual and social development of youth in cooperation with the Christian Education committee. This would include, but not be limited to, service projects and mission projects.
4. You will attend weekly staff meetings and monthly committee meetings.
5. Work with our marketing company to contribute to current social media sites and create social media interaction for our youth.

The Director of Youth Ministries possesses a deep faith in Jesus Christ and has a heart and vision for the spiritual growth and nurture of youth. The person has working knowledge of the bible and is familiar with the emotional and developmental needs of youth. This position allows one to bring their own ideas and creativity to the job. This person is comfortable and successful working independently with minimal day-to-day supervision.