

Position Title: *Director of Children's Ministries*
The First Congregational Church of Western Springs

The **Director of Children's Ministries** partners with the Associate Minister for Faith Formation and the Director of Youth Ministry, as well as additional pastoral and program staff as appropriate, to continue the congregation's long tradition of vibrant ministries with children, youth, and families.

This position is full time during the program year (September-May), and part time during the summer (June-August), and requires working on Sundays. However, there is flexibility to the position, and may be reconfigured as a job share or Director/Assistant.

Qualifications

- A commitment to the Christian faith and to the faith formation of young people.
- Excellent interpersonal skills, especially with youth and children.
- Bachelor's degree preferred.
- Experience in educational settings required, including as a classroom Sunday School teacher.
- An affirmation of the ethos and theology of the United Church of Christ tradition.
- An affirmation of the mission and vision of the First Congregational Church of Western Springs, including our Covenant of Inclusion.
- Proficient with or able to learn technology such as Microsoft Office and Realm.
- Organized and able to delegate tasks as needed.
- Background check required.

Responsibilities

- Work with the Christian Education committee to administer the Sunday School program for preschool through 7th grade, including the selection of curricula and the recruitment, training, and equipping of teachers.
- Collaborate with the Children's Ministries committee to develop creative projects that foster children's spiritual development and empower parents to be involved with the faith formation of their children.
- Partner with the Faith Formation Team to set ministry intentions, share support and ideas, and pray for the children and families of the church.
- Participate in regularly scheduled Church Staff and Church Council meetings.
- Follow and promote Safe Church policies.
- Engage in continuing education related to religious education and faith formation.
- Other duties and activities as required.

To apply, please submit a resume to Amy Baldwin, the moderator of The First Congregational Church of Western Springs, at moderator@wscongo.org by April 5, 2023.