

Peace Memorial Church (PMC) United Church of Christ in Palos Park, Illinois is seeking a full-time, **energetic, dynamic, passionate** and **strategic** Director of Children's and Youth Ministries to take our current Christian Education program to the next level. The Director will have a solid understanding of the Christian faith and embrace the progressive theology of the United Church of Christ. They will bring a strong desire to nurture people in the Christian faith.

PMC's new Director of Children's and Youth Ministries will:

- Coordinate and oversee PMC's Sunday School program. This includes the recruitment and retention of volunteers and the selection/design of curriculum.
- Develop, coordinate and lead programs for middle and high-school age youth.
- Serve as mentor, shepherd, spiritual leader and teacher to middle and high-school age youth.
- Identify and coordinate mission and community outreach ministries for youth and their families.
- Develop and lead Vacation Bible School programs.
- Coordinate and oversee youth mission trips.
- Ensure that the Christian Education web page is informative, attractive, inviting, and current staying relative to the age groups being focused on.
- Responsible for marketing outside the church through various venues of social media to include Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram sustaining a communications network to make PMC's presence known throughout the community.
- Other duties and responsibilities to be assigned as program evolves.

Through our Director's guidance, proclamation, teaching, nurturing and administrative skills, youth will grow in their relationship with God and in their love for God's people and world. They will come to embrace their giftedness and develop a sound faith foundation for the living of their lives.

Our Director will bring experience with various ages, from toddler to teen. They will be an effective communicator and an outstanding listener and nurturer.

A bachelor's degree is required. Some formal theological training is strongly preferred. The position is open to lay persons and authorized ministers.

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