# St. Johns Presbyterian Church

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## **Director of Ministry to Youth & Families**

#### **Our Church**

St. Johns Presbyterian Church is a roughly 450 member church with an average weekly worship attendance of around 225. Worship is offered in a traditional service at 9:00 am and a contemporary service at 11:00 am. Our core values as a church include:

- **Biblically-Based** We believe the Bible is God's Word and the final authority for all matters of faith and practice. We strive to understand it and stand under it in all aspects of our lives. (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Mark 12:29-30; John 14:21)
- **Distinguished by Love** We believe Christians are to be distinguished by our love, endeavoring to guard the sanctity of every human life and to love one another as Christ loves us. (Mark 12:31; John 13:34-35; Exodus 20:13)
- Penetration of the Culture We believe our church and every believer must strive to understand our times and uncompromisingly strive to establish Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior in all aspects of life. (1 Chronicles 12:32; 1 Corinthians 9:19-22; 10: 31; Colossians 3:17, 23; Proverbs 21:3)
- Evangelism We believe that lost people matter to God. Therefore, we believe the responsibility of every Christian is to reach the people God has placed within that Christian's sphere of influence. (Luke 5:30-32; Matthew 18:12-24)

We are part of the *Covenanting Order of Evangelical Presbyterians*, commonly known as *ECO*. We are part of the Florida Presbytery. We are a conservative and theologically evangelical church, which desires to further the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) and the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-39).

### **Our Youth and Families Program**

Our Youth and Families Program is comprised of a Middle School (6th-8th) and High School (9th-12th) program that seeks to connect youth and their families to Christ, to each other, to the church and to the greater community. The youth program strives to create a safe harbor community for youth and develop them as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

An important part of this ministry is to connect volunteers to youth ministry and in so doing serve the spiritual development of both. Connections are accomplished through fellowship, worship, Bible study, prayer, retreats, service projects and D-Life (a dramatic arts ministry both live performance and film production, designed to impact youth for Jesus Christ inspire them to share the Gospel, and provide an opportunity to building significant, personal adult relationships.



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## **Job Description**

Inspire | Engage | Disciple | Teach. The Director of Ministry to Youth and Families must be an engaged, effective and functioning member of a cohesive leadership team. This calling will require your best effort and 40 plus hours per week to:

- Connect volunteers to youth ministry
- Plan and lead weekly youth group (middle school and high school)
- Plan and lead weekly Sunday school (middle school and high school)
- Attend weekly contemporary worship service with youth and participate in the life of the church
- Plan and attend alternate mid-weekly D-Life meetings and Wednesday Hangouts
- Plan and participate in special events, service projects, and outings
- Chaperone camps and retreats
- Engage in contact work
- Shepherd youth leadership development
- Participate in weekly staff meetings

#### **Candidate Characteristics**

In seeking a Director of Ministry to Youth and Families, we are looking for someone who:

- Has a vital and growing relationship with Jesus Christ
- Has a strong passion and ability to disciple youth and help them develop a Biblical worldview
- Will share his/her faith in a creative, authentic and compelling way
- Wants to work in partnership with staff, adult volunteers and parents
- Is flexible, creative and enthusiastic
- Is a self-starter and good communicator
- Has some post-secondary education, preferably a College Bachelor's Degree
- Preference will be given to those who have experience in leading church youth programs, camp programs, internships, or youth organizations.

### **Annual Compensation**

Salary and benefits negotiable depending upon education and experience.

Candidates interested in this opportunity are encouraged to submit a cover letter expressing their reasons for interest, a current resume, a statement of faith, and the names and contact numbers of at least two references (professional or personal references) to:

Attention: Stephanie Taylor, Stephanie@sjpcjax.org

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