

WESTWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Director of Student Ministries

Position Summary:

Westwood Presbyterian Church (WPC) is searching for a talented and creative Director of Student Ministries to continue the growth, formation, and education of the students of our congregation. The Director will help foster and develop a strong faith in Jesus Christ for our teenagers through creative events and relational ministry that inspires.

About WPC:

For nearly seven decades, Westwood Presbyterian Church has served the west side of Los Angeles with energy and compassion. Located just south of Westwood Village and the University of California, Los Angeles [UCLA] campus, WPC is a traditional and winsome Christian community, filled with the love of God for one another and a heart that “shows up” for our larger community. The love and grace of Jesus Christ is the center of our life together — thus we not only talk about it a lot, we do our best to be grace and share grace. Thus, we do not concern ourselves with boundaries that exclude. With generally progressive beliefs and behaviors, we welcome everyone, without exception. That makes us a diverse family, and we like it that way. We are committed to church's “main thing,” which is to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God. We don’t always get it right, but we keep at it, on behalf of our beautiful, broken world.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Establish vision for WPC Student Ministries with the primary goal of raising our students to a deep and abiding faith in Jesus Christ.
- Establish deep and caring relationships with our students, their families and all volunteers involved in student ministries.
- Develop year-round programs, mission opportunities, retreats and special events that engage the hearts and souls of our students, providing opportunities for students to grow in their faith and service to the community and world.
- Determine age appropriate curriculum that takes students on a developmentally appropriate and engaging faith journey.
- Develop and manage the program budget and oversee all administrative needs
- Involve students in the larger WPC family, fostering a feeling that students are “part of” rather than extraneous to the WPC family.

Candidates MUST have/be:

- Bachelor’s degree in a related field;
- At least two years prior work experience with teenagers, ie: camp counselor, teachers aid, teacher or related role;
- Grounded in God’s love and excited to share that journey with our youth;

- Excited to invite, inspire and engage teenagers in discovering and deepening their faith in creative and age appropriate ways during their most formative years;
- Visionary, entrepreneurial, charismatic, upbeat attitude/personality; the type of person who will draw teenagers in and get them excited about faith and willing to invite friends to various church related activities;
- Ability to be a great listener and translate faith into everyday life;
- Resilient and able to creatively adapt to a new generation that must actively choose/be convinced to explore faith;
- Ability to thrive in a group setting with varied personalities and priorities; must be able to switch directions mid-stream if necessary;
- Effective leader, coach, facilitator, planner, problem-solver, and team builder;
- Excellent ability to delegate effectively and support volunteers as they fulfill their responsibilities;
- Be capable with a computer and willing to utilize technology to manage information and work tasks;
- Excellent communication (both oral and written), organization and time management skills.

WPC is in an exciting time in our history and is looking forward to a flourishing future. This opportunity provides a chance to join a great group that is committed to developing the faith of our teenagers. This is a part-time, salaried role that will include Sunday mornings and occasional weeknight and weekend activities. We look forward to receiving your resume and cover letter, by email only, at WPCSearch@westwoodpres.org. All qualified candidates will be contacted directly. No relocation will be provided.