

Covenant Presbyterian Church (Powdersville/Easley, SC)

Assistant Pastor/Director for Student and Family Ministry

Vision and Mission of Covenant:

We are community that gathers together to know Christ and to love each other. We then take the Good News and the Love of Christ into our community and world.

Brief Description of Covenant Church and Families:

Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA) is a medium-sized (160) church, located in the beautiful foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains just a few miles outside Greenville (to our east) and Clemson (to our west). The Powdersville/Easley area is a growing community that offers good schools (public and homeschool), various family interests, and roomy neighborhoods. Our church families and leaders are very supportive of our children and youth ministries. Our students attend a variety of schools and are involved in many extracurricular activities, including sports, music and the performing arts. Our parents serve our community in a variety of different callings and interests.

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Personal Pre-Requisites:

- *Humility*: characterized as one who listens carefully and desires to learn the art and craft of relational pastoral ministry
- *Theology*: received training in Reformed Theology from a reputable seminary and intends to be ordained (or is already ordained) in the PCA
- Calling: committed to understanding our students and families and encouraging them in their callings
- Hospitality: desires to be known by our people and to know them in their daily lives
- Stability: able to commit to at least 3 years

Professional Pre-Requisites:

- Experience: some experience in working with students (camp, internship, campus ministry, etc)
- Communication: ability to communicate clearly in word, in writing and in technology
- Leadership: confidence in leading ministry teams and groups of students
- Planning: foresight to plan ahead and recruit volunteers to assist in ministries

Purpose:

The Director or Assistant Pastor for Family Ministry is called by the session to lead the students and families of Covenant into greater love for Christ, His Church, and our community. Particular attention will be given to the following:

- Giving focus and support to the staff and volunteers of the student and family ministries (children's, youth, and college ministries)
- Compiling a list of, to promote, and to attend the extra-curricular activities of students and families
- Scheduling regular meetings with students in small groups and 1-on-1 settings outside of official gatherings
- Meeting with students and families on special occasions, including hospital visitations, baptismal preparations, counseling, and providing them with Gospel resources to answer their needs
- Connecting with students and their families around shared interests
- Assisting the senior pastor and the session in corporate worship, leading the weekly large group youth gatherings, and helping families integrate into Covenant
- Considering, planning and leading means of reaching the growing population of new students and families in the Wren, Easley and Powdersville community
- Forecasting the growth of certain ministries and recruiting volunteers and staff accordingly
- Developing his own knowledge and skills by reading, attending conferences, furthering education and networking so as to be able to address the issues of the next generation

An Example Weekly Schedule

(about 60% student ministry and 40% family ministry)

Sunday: Worship, Sunday School, Sunday evening youth

Monday: Staff meeting, administrative responsibilities and communications, meet with a mentor

Tuesday: Breakfast with a dad, prepare Sunday night youth, attend student extra-curricular Wednesday: Prepare for Wednesday, lunch with a student, attend Wednesday Kids Club

Thursday: Prepare Sunday school, communicate with students about Sunday

Friday: Day Off

Saturday: Breakfast with a member, prepare for worship service, finalize teachings, attend

session

Contact Information

All interested candidates are asked to send the following information to pastorsearch@mycovenantpc.com

- Resume
- Five references, with their contact information
- Answer the "Faith and Practice Questionnaire."