

Job Description for Pastor of Youth and Families

Position Summary

The Assistant Pastor of Youth and Families is charged with working with the Session to disciple the children and youth of Main Street Presbyterian Church. They will focus on developing a comprehensive, biblically based ministry to youth and their families, providing oversight and support through regular outreach and church-related events, while also assisting the Senior Pastor as needed in general ministry responsibilities. This position will report to the Senior Pastor and will involve weekly staff meetings to allow for feedback and support where needed.

Responsibilities

- **Youth (7th-12th Grade)**
 - Develop a curriculum schedule for all teaching using the current church curriculum or other resources as approved by the session
 - Teach a youth (grades 7-12) Sunday school class using a curriculum approved by the session and help coordinate volunteer teachers.
 - Host a Wednesday evening youth group gathering with session-approved teaching and activities.
 - Plan Youth fellowship activities throughout the year.
 - Plan, attend, and recruit volunteers for summer retreat trips (RYM) and other session-approved youth trips (mission activities).
 - Engage and encourage youth attendance and involvement in the church, as well as community outreach
 - Manage the annual youth ministry budget and generate expense reports
 - Helps manage social media, text alerts, and newsletter
 - Meet for lunch 1 to 2 times a week with our students.
- **Children**
 - Help recruit volunteers for all children's ministry positions
 - Serve on the children's committee
- **Preschool**
 - Serve on the preschool committee and assist with decisions between the preschool and the church
 - Help coordinate regular events between the preschool and the church
- **Denominational Responsibilities**
 - Attend weekly staff meetings to discuss the calendar, budget, and any ministry needs with the Senior Pastor
 - Attend monthly session meetings and present an update on current ministry activities
 - Regularly participate in Presbytery as the schedule allows
 - Attend General Assembly as a voting delegate of Main Street Presbyterian Church

Qualifications

- A devout Christian, actively following Jesus and committed to the Reformed Presbyterian faith as put forward in the Westminster Standards.
- A completed seminary degree or plans to complete a seminary degree with a desire for ordination
- Skilled in communication, teaching, and event management.
- Flexible hours
- A completed Bachelor's Degree
- Experience working in leadership roles
- Experience working with youth and children. Previous teaching experience in the classroom for 7th-12th grade is a plus
- Self-motivated, teachable, and a humble spirit is necessary
- All previous ministry experience to be considered
- Proficiency with computers and the ability to use social media
- Must pass all appropriate background checks

About Main Street Presbyterian Church

- **Mission Statement:**
 - **Worship:** Delight in God's glory is the purpose for which we were made, and worship is the expression of that delight. At Main Street Presbyterian Church we will spread a delight in God's glory through reverent, God-centered, Trinitarian worship that is historic in form, carefully regulated by the Bible, with gospel preaching at its heart. Our worship is not driven by taste or tradition merely but by our conviction that God alone determines how He shall be worshipped.
 - **Nurture:** Main Street Presbyterian Church will nurture that delight in God's glory through systematic expository preaching and a comprehensive all-age Sunday School curriculum aimed at equipping God's people for service and the development of a Biblical world and life view. On Wednesday evenings we will gather to fellowship, study God's inerrant Word, and join in sustained, kingdom-centered, corporate prayer. Our elders will advance the growth of every member through careful, ongoing shepherding and pastoral care and the loving practice of church discipline.
 - **Community:** God the Father has united us to His Son, Christ Jesus, through the work of the Holy Spirit, and brought us into a lively communion with Himself. Therefore, we are committed to being a Christ-centered community, patterning our lives after the perfect community enjoyed by God in the Trinity, and extended to us in Christ through the gospel. As part of this commitment we seek, through active elder and diaconal work, to care for the spiritual and physical needs of our members and our neighbors. Historically, the church has referred to this practice as the Communion of Saints.
 - **Mission:** Main Street Presbyterian Church will seek to spread a delight in God's glory among all people—in Columbus, Mississippi, and the world—by the clear proclamation of Christ's precious cross in regular evangelistic services and events. We will provide training opportunities for every member in evangelism.

We will seek careful engagement in our community and opportunities for individual and corporate witness.

- **Vision Statement:** “Spreading a delight in God’s great glory by proclaiming Christ’s precious Cross.”
 - The good news about Jesus has gripped and changed our lives. Instead of the old barren life of selfishness and rebellion, the cross of Christ is the new center of our lives and the glory of God, both our ultimate goal and our greatest joy. Main Street Presbyterian Church exists to glory in God and proclaims to our community the same good news that has revolutionized our lives.

Compensation

- Salary is negotiable
- Housing expense/utilities
- Moving allowance

Application Instructions

- Cover Letter and Resume
- Completed Ministerial Data Form
- Applications can be sent to asuber@mainstreetpres.org