FIRST CHURCH IN MARLBOROUGH (CONGREGATIONAL), UCC

JOB DESCRIPTION ~ CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH GROUP LEADER 2020/2021

Position: The Confirmation and Youth Group Leader (“CYGL”) is a paid staff position for the months of September through June. The “CYGL” may be expected to work some hours during the summer months on both planning and possible summer activities. The need for summer work will determined by end of the school year.

Ministry: “CYGL” will act as a spiritual mentor for students participating in the confirmation program which is a two-year journey offering them program-based fellowship events, mission opportunities, a place to feel safe and offers them to grow spiritually and to be mission disciples of Jesus Christ and his Gospel. “CYGL” will attend all group events and act as one of the chaperones on any overnight retreats. “CYGL” may also act as an advisor to any confirmand or mentor in need of assistance or guidance as they work through the program.

“CYGL” (1) meets once a month on Sunday with the confirmands and the pastor for a catechism class; (2) meets once a month on Sunday or another day of the week with the youth group and pastor for their religious education; (3) leads or co-leads with the pastor once every two months Sunday evening worship.

Reporting: “CYGL” reports to the Pastor, Moderator, and head of Spiritual Life Ministry, and in the case of supervised ministry (see below) to the Deacons of First Church.

Planning: “CYGL” meets on a regular basis (at least monthly) with the Pastor to work on mission, events and retreat trip activity planning.

Requirements: “CYGL” will demonstrate: (1) Experience with youth ministry or confirmation groups; (2) a successful Massachusetts CORI background check; (3) A strong Christian faith and a commitment to Christ’s Church and her ministry in the world; (4) Active church membership in a mainline Christian denomination preferably of the Reformed tradition (UCC, PCUSA, RCA); members of other denominations signatories to the 1997 Formula of Agreement are also encouraged to apply; (5) for candidates seeking ordination to Word and Sacrament proof of enrolment in a theological seminary and documentation of being in care with the association (presbytery, classis).

Salary: $5,000.00-$6,000.00 depending on experience plus and pre-approved funding for professional development.

Note: This job may be combined with a supervised ministry placement at a parish for candidates seeking ordination into Ministry of Word and Sacrament with appropriate opportunities for leading and co-leading worship and preaching.
First Church in Marlborough is an equal opportunity employer and GLBTQ candidates are welcome to apply.

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