DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Purpose: To develop and support the spiritual formation of our children and youth and their families.

Accountability: To Pastor

Responsibilities (working closely with the Christian Formation Committee) (CF):

A. Sunday School

- 1. Organize and supervise nursery care including scheduling, vetting, and hiring of childcare workers
- 2. Recruit and train Sunday School teachers
- 3. Evaluate, recommend, and purchase curriculum in conjunction with pastor and CF
- 4. Coordinate volunteers to maintain workroom / supply inventory
- 5. Ensure all classrooms for children and youth are furnished and well-maintained

B. Children's and Youth Ministry Activities

- 1. Facilitate children's and youth ministry activities, e.g. StoryPath, Children's Sabbath, Confirmation Class, Summer Experience (VBS)
- 2. Develop and support the participation and leadership of children and youth in worship
- 3. Support parents/families with the development of faith formation at home

C. Church-Wide Activities

1. Plan and organize church-wide activities, e.g., Advent, Fat Tuesday, Easter Sunday Brunch, Back to School, etc. with Pastor, CF, Congregational Care and Worship Committees

D. Other

- 1. Maintain current list of families with children and youth: infant through college
- 2. Together with the CF, develop and manage the budget for children's and youth ministries
- 3. Ensure that the child and youth protection policy is followed for all activities involving children and youth.
- 4. Communicate regularly to the congregation and to children and youth and their parents, so that all are informed and engaged with the ministry.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree required; Certified Christian Educator preferred.
- A passion for helping children and youth grow in their faith
- Deep faith, theological curiosity
- Basic understanding of PC(USA) beliefs
- Understanding the importance of inclusive language for God and people
- Be open and affirming of LGBTQ family/children
- Familiarity with developmental stages related to learning and spirituality
- Excellent written and oral skills
- Ability to use social media effectively
- Ability to recruit, train, lead and support volunteers in ministry and leadership positions

(Approved by the Session on 4.6.2025)