

GCRC Sermon Discussion Teacher - Job Description

GOAL OF POSITION

The purpose of Sermon Discussion Group is to nurture the spiritual lives of our Grade 5 and 6 children. Teachers will help children in their faith development by discussing the sermon themes using the sermon discussion questions prepared by the pastor. Sermon Discussion is typically held during the Sunday morning worship service right after the sermon is over until the end of the worship service.

RESPONSIBLE TO

Pastor and Worship Committee and Children and Youth Discipleship Committee (CYDC)

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Typically, there are 3 or 4 Sermon Discussion teachers who take turns leading the Sermon Discussion group each week. The Sermon Discussion Team Leader will coordinate scheduling of Sermon Discussion teachers.

TIME REQUIRED An average of ½ hour/week

LENGTH OF COMMITMENT This is an annual commitment, from August to June.

TRAINING PROVIDED

The Sermon Discussion Team Leader will gather sermon discussion leaders for a meeting prior to the start of the season in order to orient those who are new to the role. As well team leaders will check in with teachers at least semi-annually. Updates to be submitted to the Worship Committee and CYDC periodically.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL SKILLS

Sermon Discussion Teachers model Christ's love and are passionate about God's story of salvation, have a heart for children, are able to share their faith and articulate spiritual truths, be effective communicators, pray regularly for the children in their class and be dependable, consistent and committed to their task. As someone who is nurturing children in their faith, it's vital that a Sermon Discussion teacher takes care of their own spirituality, spending time in scripture, prayer and worship. Additionally, teachers should be team players, flexible, open to learning, have a positive attitude, love working with children and know how to have fun, laugh and enjoy life.

The Sermon Discussion Team leader will have had experience in the sermon discussion ministry. They will be able to articulate the vision of this ministry to prospective leaders as well as students and their families. All those serving in any children's ministry program in our church will be required to provide a current police background check.

BENEFITS TO THIS POSITION

Sermon Discussion teachers will:

- be able to directly influence how students learn to engage with the preaching ministry, setting them on a path for life
- hear how these students are being led by the Spirit through the Word and see God working in their hearts.
- build relationships with the children in our church
- experience growth in their own faith journey

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