

Faith Formation Coordinator

The role of the Faith Formation Coordinator (FFC) will be to build relationships with families with children in Central Vermont, both those who are members of the church, and those without a connection with the church. Out of the insights gained from those relationships, the FFC will resource program planning to serve families and promote Christian Education within Central Vermont.

The FFC should have, at minimum, a Bachelor's degree in a human services discipline. The FFC does not need to be ordained, although ministerial formation would be helpful, and this position could be ordainable in the United Church of Christ. The FFC does need to understand and promote the faith traditions of the United Church of Christ, and should demonstrate understanding of progressive Protestant church culture. The FFC will pass a background check provided by the church.

This employee reports to the Pastor and the Faith Formation Ministry and provides staff services to the Don Allen Funds Committee as constituted by the Council. The FFC will attend weekly staff meetings.

Faith Formation within the Congregation

The FFC will supervise Christian Education activities for all ages within the church. This will sometimes take the form of direct program leadership and sometimes support of volunteers providing programs, in consultation with the Faith Formation Ministry.

The FFC will find staff and supervise nursery care for children under 6 during the Sunday worship service when conditions permit.

Faith Formation beyond the Congregation

The FFC will undertake a series of meetings with families living with children to determine their needs and form connections. It is expected that the FFC would meet with families for the first six months and produce a report for use by the Faith Formation Ministry, Diaconate and Council in planning future programs.

The FFC will serve as staff to the Don Allen Funds Committee (which will be constituted yearly by the Council) to review applications for grants from the Don Allen Annuity. The FFC will build relationships with local non-profit organizations to assist the committee in evaluation of these applications, and receive reports to monitor progress on their stated goals.

The FFC will promote Outdoor Ministries opportunities within the United Church of Christ, and facilitate use of the Judith Safford Campership Fund.

Compensation and hours for this position are negotiable, based on experience.

For more information about this position, please contact Rev. Leigh McCaffrey at pastorleigh@barrecongregational.org.

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