

Missioner for Faith Formation and Development

This is a full-time, exempt position.

Job Summary: The Missioner for Faith Formation and Development (“the Missioner”) is a member of the Bishop’s staff reporting to the Canon for Congregational Vitality and serving on the Formation and Leadership Team. Partnering with the Director of the School for Christian Faith and Leadership (SCFL) for overall diocesan faith formation initiatives, the Missioner gathers and works collaboratively with diocesan task forces for children, youth, and young adults to inspire, equip, and empower congregational leaders in their ministry of formation with children, youth, young adults, and their families.

Essential Functions:

Inspire, equip, and empower congregational formation ministry leaders

- Convene diocesan-wide leadership teams for ongoing visioning and assessment of programmatic prioritization for children, youth, and young adult formation ministries.
- Convene children ministry leaders, youth ministry leaders, and young adult ministry leaders, separately, for mutual support and program development, supporting and developing training and learning opportunities to equip formation leaders through the SCFL. Curate and communicate formation resources that support best practice.
- Support congregations with young adult ministry initiatives, including existing campus ministries and their leaders.

Create and support diocesan opportunities for children, youth, and young adults

- Develop and coordinate diocesan formation events, including annual diocesan youth events. Identify and recruit leaders including children with their parents, youth, and young adults in planning and leading diocesan formation events. Explore and develop outreach and mission opportunities for children, youth, and young adults.
- Support diocesan and regional confirmation preparation classes.
- Serve as the liaison between the Episcopal Diocese of Washington and the camp ministry of the Claggett Center promoting camps to congregational leaders. Contribute to and support the Province III youth formation network.

Safe Church

- Coordinate diocesan Safe Church training and train-the-trainer events with the SCFL.
- Serve as the diocesan point of contact for all Safe Church programs, trainings, and communications on the prevention of sexual abuse, harassment and exploitation with parish leaders, Praesidium and The Episcopal Church.

Qualifications:

- Commitment and passion for the ministry of Christian formation with a particular emphasis on ministry with children, youth, and young adults and their families.
- Minimum of 3 years demonstrated experience and success leading formation ministry with children, youth, and young adults at the parish level and in creating networks on a larger scale.
- Knowledge of many and mastery of some Christian education curricula, K-12, particularly those used in Episcopal congregations, with a commitment to ongoing professional development.
- Awareness of how children, youth, and young adult ministry contributes to congregational vitality.
- Personal grounding in the Christian faith, discipleship, and Jesus' "Way of Love."
- Deep knowledge of and experience in The Episcopal Church.
- Strong oral and written communication skills across various technical, and social media platforms.
- Experience among diverse populations, especially in multicultural and multiracial competency.
- Ability to communicate in Spanish, orally and in writing strongly preferred.
- B.A., B.S. or equivalent degree from an accredited college or university.

Other Requirements:

- Must be able to adjust personal schedule to work flexible hours, including weekends and evenings as necessary and to attend meetings at locations throughout the Diocese.
- Must have a valid driver's license, access to transportation, and insurance to mandated state requirements to fulfill responsibilities and duties.
- Must be able to ensure appropriate confidentiality with the personal, financial, and personnel matters which are entrusted to this office.

Work Environment: Dedicated office space, online video and telephonic meetings, gatherings and conferences. Church House is a century-old former residence with stairs and no elevator. Located on the grounds of Washington National Cathedral, it is subject to student, visitor, automobile, and maintenance equipment noise. Church House is a dog-friendly workplace.

Compensation: Salary commensurate with experience, generous paid leave, and comprehensive benefits package will be offered to the successful candidate.

To apply, submit a letter of interest, current resume and contact information for three professional references to khall@edow.org. Review of applications begins Tuesday, October 12, 2021 and continues through the selection of candidates for interviews.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement: *The Episcopal Diocese of Washington is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran or disability status. Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC), immigrants, women, and LGBTQ candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.*