

Position Title: Faith Formation Ministries Associate (high school+)

Salary: Full Time

Reports To: Director of Faith Formation Ministries

Sharon Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Grand Forks, North Dakota

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Purpose: The Faith Formation Ministries Associate will lead and coordinate a dynamic and effective ministry for high school students and young adults. Furthermore, the associate will develop family and intergenerational events which intentionally connect all members of Sharon to God, each other, and our community. The Faith Formation Ministries Associate is a team member of the staff of Sharon Lutheran Church, working under the supervision of the Director of Faith Formation Ministries and collaborating with other Faith Formation Ministries Associates, each of whom has areas of focus within Sharon Lutheran Church, a congregation of 4000 in Grand Forks, North Dakota. With more than 250 students in its Confirmation program (6th-10th grade) and more than 300 students in church school (two sessions on Sunday mornings and two sessions on Wednesday evenings), Sharon has great opportunities and responsibilities to provide for the faith development and growth of many young people, their families, and other members and visitors.

Qualifications and attributes:

Lutheran background and foundation for ministry

Relate well with students, families, volunteers, and other members of the congregation

Ability to work in a team setting

Skilled in planning, collaborating, and implementing programs and events

Proficiency in email and all relevant Office and social media applications

B.A. degree preferred

Three or more years of youth and family ministry experience within the church setting preferred

Responsibilities:

Encourage children, youth, and their families to participate in weekly worship and utilize their gifts
in the worship setting and in the community

Plan and implement Confirmation programs for 9th grade (weekly instruction) and 10th grade (monthly events)

Create and lead weekly fellowship event for senior high school students

Provide faith formation opportunities for confirmed youth (11th-12th grade) and young adults

Develop family/intergenerational events which help all participants remember their baptism and grow in their faith

Collaborate with and support other Faith Formation staff members where appropriate

Give the gift of your presence at all relevant program times (particularly Education ministries),
unless otherwise determined in conjunction with the Director of Faith Formation Ministries

Build healthy relationships with students and their families and provide support/advocacy as needed

Teach, train, and empower leadership and a sense of vocation in others

Lead annual senior high summer trip (service learning experience or ELCA Youth Gathering)

Attend weekly staff meetings and monthly board meetings (youth and education)

Communicate and promote Sharon's programs and ministries to the congregation and community

Seek to help all who worship, learn, grow, and serve at Sharon Lutheran Church connect to God, each other,
and our community while becoming lifelong followers of Jesus Christ

Compensation: Based on qualifications and years of experience.

Subject to Eastern North Dakota Synod Guidelines for Youth and Family Ministry.

Please submit cover letter and resume to:

Dave Berger, Director of Faith Formation Ministries, 1720 South 20th Street, Grand Forks, North Dakota, 58201