

Ascension Lutheran Church Coordinator for Children, Youth and Family Ministry

The Coordinator is responsible for comprehensive development, implementation and evaluation of programs that nurture, encourage and strengthen Faith Formation in children, birth through 12th grade and their families. The programs foster a sense of community within the congregation and faith practices from baptism to adulthood.

Responsibilities include:

- Sunday School, VBS, Events and Activities, Youth Administration
- Mission, Milestone Ministry and Program Development for Families
- Partnering with the Pastor
- Volunteer Recruitment
- Congregational Resource

Required Skills and Qualifications

- Commitment to God with clear understanding of the Lutheran perspective of the Christian faith
- Worship regularly at Ascension Lutheran Church
- Understanding of and commitment to Christian education
- BA/BS in Education, or Children/Youth/Family, or theology (preferred)
- Experience working with children and families in a similar position (preferred)
- Excellent communication and strong organizational skills
- Skills in volunteer coordination
- Ability to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends
- Valid driver's license and DMV check (required)
- Background check and CPR/First Aid (required)

Full time: 40 hours/week, with Sundays, Christmas and Easter and some nights required.

Starting salary is \$32,000 plus benefits. Salary dependent on experience.

Position to begin on July 1, 2018 (start date is negotiable).

Please submit resume and cover letter, include contact information for 3 references.

Resume review will begin on April 15, 2018

Send application to Paul at: secretary@ascensionlutheran.com 541-773-3594 675 Black Oak Dr. Medford, Oregon 97504

Living in the Rogue Valley

Medford is the largest city in Southern Oregon with the smaller nearby communities of Grants Pass and Ashland comprising the other major population densities of the Rogue Valley. The area is known for its scenic beauty, surrounded by such landmarks as Upper and Lower Table Rock buttes, with Mount McLoughlin of the Sky Lakes Wilderness in the distance. Crater Lake National Park and the Oregon Caves National Monument are both less than a 2-hour drive from Medford, and both have multiple campsites along the way. A little farther from the city, one can take a day trip to the ocean (2.5-hour drive) through the famous Redwood National and State Parks of northern California.

The climate is generally mild and sunny, with average high temperatures around 45 in the winter and 90 in the summer. Rainfall averages around 20 inches per year. The climate and geography of southern Oregon support year-round outdoor activity, including hiking, white-water rafting/kayaking, cycling, camping, and fishing. Given the proximity to Mount Ashland (15-minute drive from Ashland), snow sports are readily available, including skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, winter camping, sledding, etc. Mount Ashland (and the surrounding area) also supports the growth of popular enduro-style mountain biking.

The area is also known for its dense cultural recreational opportunities including theatre and music, especially in Ashland and Jacksonville. The Rogue Valley has some of the best soil in the country, with a long-standing agricultural tradition, and is now famous for its prolific vineyards. Larger metropolitan areas are also accessible, with flight time to San Francisco less than 2 hours, driving time to Eugene 2.5 hours, and driving time to Portland 4.5 hours (1-hour flight).

