

Student Ministry Coordinator

Crossroads United Methodist Church is a vibrant faith community located in Ashburn, VA. Our mission is to communicate the unconditional love of God, unlimited welcome of Jesus and an unwavering hope of transformation to people both inside and outside the walls of the church. To fully realize this vision, we are seeking an open-minded, passionate individual with a call to ministry, to work with Middle to High School age students and their families. Whoever fills this position would also be responsible for offering leadership to Crossroads Underground, an intergenerational worship service that meets on Saturday nights from 5:15 -6pm.

Qualifications and Position Requirements:

- Exhibits personal and growing relationship with God.
- Has an engaging presence and ability to communicate clearly.
- Loves young people and can articulate a calling for ministry.
- Has basic administrative skills and is self-motivated.
- Can plan and execute a long-term vision.
- Open and affirming of LGBTQ youth.
- Minimum of a bachelor's degree and 1 year experience in youth ministry or related field.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Youth Ministry

- Take part in weekly staff meetings and bi-monthly Formation Team Meetings.
- Organize quarterly planning meetings with the Student Ministry Leadership Team – consists of students and adults.
- Assist with Sunday morning activities, including worship, Intersect (Sunday School), and afternoon Jam Sessions.
- Seek to integrate youth ministry into larger church body.
- Recruit new adult and student leaders.
- Dream about new ways to connect with and utilize volunteers.
- Assist in the development and oversight of the youth ministry budget.
- Participate as needed in weekly/monthly events, services, trips and programs.

Crossroads Underground

- Take an active role in the leadership team.
- Support the vision and mission of the community.
- Encourage leaders (students and adults) to take ownership of worship planning.
- Offer guidance and theological insight when appropriate.
- Communicate needs of the community with church staff and vis-a-versa.
- Coordinate use of the basement with ministries/outside groups who share the space.
- Lead the initiative toward financial sustainability and oversee operations budget.



Crossroads Student Ministry 2017-2018

Because of the fast-paced world our students live in, and the unbelievable pressures they face, Crossroad's Student Ministry is passionate about creating spaces for worship and community that are safe, relevant, and transformative. Through regular gatherings such as Connect 4, the 12:30 club, Thirsty Thursday, Intersect, and annual events like our High School and Middle School summer mission trips, students will experience the life-changing love of Jesus in the friendships of adults and students.

Our Vision: Crossroad's student ministry exists to help youth experience deeper meaning, belonging, and purpose as they are transformed by the compassion, forgiveness, service and wisdom of Jesus.

Our Mission: Crossroad's Student Ministry is...

Safe

In a society of division, violence, and alienation, we strive to create safe spaces that care for the physical, emotional, and spiritual wellbeing of every student. Spaces where youth can live into the fullness of their identity and express their opinions, questions, and doubts without fear of reprimand or condemnation. Therefore, we do not discriminate based on race/ethnicity, sexuality, religion or gender identity. We do this because we believe in the unlimited welcome Jesus and his love for every person.

Relevant

We are committed to a form of ministry that is relevant to today's student. Our approach to discipleship is fresh and exciting, but also engages students on their own terms - using twitter, Facebook, Instagram, texting, and other tools to communicate and form relationships with them.

Transformational

We believe the Middle School and High School years of a person's life are a time of intense formation. It is during these years that we develop a sense of who we are and what we value. In an effort to guide and support youth on along this journey, we offer weekly small group meetings, annual retreats (such as Crossover and confirmation), and summer mission trips, through which students can encounter the grace of God and build lifelong friendships that transforms them into the image of Christ. Right now, a group of passionate adult volunteers is working on a series of formational events to help students and their families mark the transition from childhood to young adulthood. Some of these events will begin in the Fall as a lead up to what we are calling "Rites of Passage." We hope families will take advantage of this unique and important venture.

Position: 35 hours per week

Start Date: June 2017

Reports to: Formation Team Director

To apply for this position, please email dnorman@crossroadsnova.org with a cover letter, resume, and list of three references. To learn more, visit www.everydaylifewithgod.org/students