



JACKSONVILLE
Presbyterian Church

Director of Children's Ministry

Full Time Position with Benefits

ABOUT THE CHURCH

Jacksonville Presbyterian Church is a loving, growing, gospel-centered church in beautiful Southern Oregon that averages 350 adults and 40 children per Sunday. We are part of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (www.EPC.org) and we love it! We are united by our common belief in the historic, orthodox beliefs of Christianity and a total commitment to the inerrancy of God's Word and the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.



Further, we are a Presbyterian church, which means we believe in Reformed theology and are led by a team of volunteer elders as well as the pastors. Our church hires our own pastors & staff and also elects our own elders, which is a distinctive feature of a Presbyterian church.

We welcomed our new pastor, Dustin Jernigan, on January 28, 2019 when our previous pastor retired after 30 years with our church. Along with our pastor, our church staff also includes an associate pastor, youth director, family ministry director, nursery coordinator, worship leader, choir directors, and office staff.



ABOUT THE POSITION

The Director of Children's Ministry (DCM) must have a strong faith in Jesus Christ and His Word and a genuine love for children and their parents. As a ministry staff position, the DCM must be able to connect and relate well with children and parents, and be able to lead and recruit a team of volunteer leaders who will invest in the lives of our children. Our church yearns to connect people to God, each other, and to ministry, and we hope to see our DCM lead our children in that same vision—connecting children to God through worship and His Word, empowering them to love one another, and instilling in them a heart for service in God's Kingdom.

The following is a list of the primary responsibilities of the DCM.

- Develop and implement an exciting, gospel-centered children’s ministry vision
- On Sundays, oversee nursery care, children’s sunday school classes, and the children’s message
- Advocate on behalf of the children’s ministry to the church
- Oversee special events throughout the year (VBS, Summer Camp, the Easter Egg Hunt, etc)
- Have a passion for ministry to children and their families
- Have leadership, administrative, and organizational skills
- Ability to recruit, empower, and support volunteer leaders
- Relate well to and maintain motivating relationships with children, parents, and leaders
- Ensure a safe environment throughout all our children’s ministry, per our safety policy
- Ability to use appropriate judgment, discretion, sensitivity, and confidentiality
- Reliable, trustworthy, self-starter, and excellent at following through on details

ABOUT THE LOCATION

Jacksonville is an incredibly cool little town in the “Rogue Valley,” which is the heart of Southern Oregon. Just five miles from Medford, Jacksonville is a designated National Historic Landmark town of 2,800 with great coffee shops, an outstanding elementary school, a vibrant art scene, miles of hiking trails, scenic vineyards, and the annual Britt Music Festival. Medford, meanwhile, has amenities like an international airport, great regional hospitals, and stores like REI, Target, Trader Joe’s, and Costco.



Also in the Rogue Valley, Ashland, OR is 20 minutes south of Jacksonville and is home to Southern Oregon University, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and Mt. Ashland Ski Area. Obviously we’re biased, but we agree with Frommer’s Magazine, which named Jacksonville “one of America’s top 10 coolest small towns.” To see more, check out this video: <https://vimeo.com/213401249> And in the photo below, you can see our youth & children’s facility:



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