

# **Assistant Pastor of Youth and Discipleship**

**Start Date:** August 2025

Salary & Benefits: Competitive, based on experience, credentials, and gifting

Reports to: Senior Pastor and Session

**North Park Church (NPC)** exists to "Make disciples of Jesus who WORSHIP God passionately, CONNECT with each other in caring community, and IMPACT the world through word and deed." The **Assistant Pastor of Youth and Discipleship** will embody this mission by leading an energetic, Christcentered ministry for middle and high school students (grades 6-12) and equipping their families to nurture NPC'S youth into growing disciples of Christ. This role requires a vibrant leader with a passion for youth, a heart for Biblical teaching and counseling, and an evangelical zeal for outreach.

## **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

## **Make Disciples Who Worship:**

- **Lead with Passion:** Develop and oversee a dynamic, fun, and Biblically grounded youth ministry that inspires middle and high school students to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.
- **Teach and Counsel:** Provide engaging teaching rooted in Reformed theology and offer Biblical counseling to families and students, fostering spiritual maturity and a robust Christian worldview.
- **Develop Future Leaders:** Identify, recruit, and train student leaders and volunteers to become disciple-makers and future leaders in the church.
- **Equip Parents:** Partner with parents through resources, training, and encouragement to disciple their children effectively at home.

## **Connect in Caring Community:**

- **Build Relationships:** Develop strong relationships with the Youth of North Park Church by serving as their mentor and elder representative.
- **Engage the Disconnected:** Seek out students within the church who are disengaged, offering encouragement and support to draw them into the life of the youth ministry.
- **Equip the Body:** Encourage parents in their spiritual calling toward students. Train and assist NPC adults to spiritually invest and mentor students. Serve as a liaison between parents and youth, fostering trust, communication, and collaboration to strengthen family faith.
- Engage the Church Body: Participate actively in the broader life of the church beyond youth ministry.
- **Create Community:** Plan regular gatherings, retreats, and events that foster meaningful and enjoyable connections among students and the wider church body.
- Recruit and Delegate: Energetically recruit students and adult volunteers; delegate tasks to a capable team of adult and student leaders.
- **Support Volunteers:** Train, equip, and shepherd the team of adult volunteers to assist in ministry, ensuring they are aligned with the church's vision and values.

• **Leverage Technology:** Use digital tools to communicate with students, promote events, and provide creative resources for spiritual growth and outreach.

## **Impact the World:**

- **Evangelical Outreach:** Develop strategies to reach unchurched students in the community with the gospel, welcoming them into the youth ministry.
- **Serve and Lead:** Plan opportunities for students to serve within the church and engage in local outreach, including an annual summer mission trip.
- **Empower Students and Families:** Encourage students and families to engage their local community with gospel impact.

#### **ADDITIONAL DUTIES**

- Collaborate with the Senior Pastor, elders, and staff in prayer, planning, and ministry execution, attending staff and Session meetings as needed.
- Preach periodically and assist with sacraments as directed by the Senior Pastor.
- Prepare and manage an annual youth ministry budget, approved by the Session.
- Engage with the Presbytery as time allows, representing the church faithfully.

### CANDIDATE QUALITIES

- **Energetic and Fun:** Brings enthusiasm and joy to ministry, connecting with youth through a lively and relatable presence.
- **Passionate for Youth:** Demonstrates a deep love for middle and high school students and a desire to see them grow in faith.
- Biblical Counselor: Believes in and skillfully applies Biblical counseling to guide students and families.
- **Evangelical Heart:** Burns with a passion to reach the lost and share the gospel with students inside and outside the church.
- **Leader and Team Player:** Able to plan, delegate, and collaborate effectively with volunteers, staff, and church leadership.
- **Reformed Conviction:** Committed to Reformed theology, aligning with the church's doctrinal standards and values (Westminster Confession and EPC Essentials of Our Faith).
- **Elder Character:** Exhibits the qualities of an elder (1 Timothy 3:2-7), with a pastoral heart and integrity.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Ordained or ordainable as a male Teaching Elder in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) through the Presbytery of the Alleghenies.
- 3-5 years of pastoral ministry experience.
- Strong teaching gifts and experience in youth ministry or family discipleship.

To apply, submit cover letter and resume to searchteam@northparkepc.org

