**Position:** Student Ministry Intern at First Christian Church in Huntsville, Alabama

**Immediate Supervisors:** Associate Minister, Minister of Youth

**Pay rate:** $15/hour, approximately 30 hours/week for 10 weeks (including one full week of paid vacation)

The Student Ministry Intern is designed to give a seminary student the opportunity to lead and learn about ministry in a congregational setting. The position will run from early June to mid-August 2015 (dates negotiable), for a total of 10 weeks.

**Responsibilities include:**

- Sharing leadership with the Minister of Youth, Associate Minister, Youth Task Group, and Children’s Committee in implementing summer ministries for students (birth through college, with an emphasis on sixth through twelfth grades.)
- Participating in summer camps for children and youth and mission trips for youth.
- Building appropriate mentoring relationships with students.
- Facilitating community among the students of First Christian Church.
- Raising the profile of FCC’s student ministry in Huntsville, including through mission projects.
- Helping plan and lead worship as requested by the pastoral staff.
- Filling the pulpit for one Sunday.
- Attending and making reports at weekly staff meetings.
- Attending and making monthly reports at monthly Youth Task Group, Children’s Committee, and Administrative Board meetings.
- Meeting at least bi-weekly with the Associate Minister and Minister of Youth for reflection and planning.

There will be opportunities to explore areas of ministry beyond student ministry and to initiate special projects. First Christian Church will gladly work with the intern’s field education coordinator to help the intern secure supervised ministry credit.

**Qualifications sought:**

- Flexibility, compassion, patience, and an ability to relate well with students, parents, lay leaders, and staff.
- Passion for partnering with families to promote faith formation in students.
- Ability to apply positive discipline and set healthy boundaries.
- Knowledge of, or willingness to learn about, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) beliefs and theology.
- Eagerness to collaborate with staff and lay leaders.
- Willingness to take initiative in proposing and implementing ideas.
- Good time management, organizational, and administrative skills.
Completion of at least one year of seminary/divinity school.

**Application process:** Please submit the following to Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed, Minister of Youth, at laurasr@fcc-hsv.org by **April 1:**

- Cover letter that includes paragraph-length answers to these two questions:
  - What would you hope to learn from this ministry opportunity?
  - What would you hope to teach and/or model for our students and First Christian Church as a whole?
- Current resume
- Names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses for three references
- Completed background check consent form

Interviews will take place via Skype in April.

For more information on First Christian Church, visit [www.fcc-hsv.org](http://www.fcc-hsv.org). For more information on the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), visit [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org).

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