

# Minister with Children, Tweens, & Families

Hixson United Methodist Church seeks a passionate and dedicated full-time Minister of Children, Tweens, & Families to lead and grow our dynamic children's ministry. This leader will partner with our staff and church leadership to creatively bring our mission and vision to life—helping children, tweens, and their families deepen their faith and connection to Christ.

The ideal candidate will be a visionary leader with a heart for ministry, a passion for nurturing young disciples, and the ability to inspire and equip volunteers. This role involves developing and implementing engaging programs for children from birth through the tween years, fostering opportunities for prayer, presence, gifts, service, and witness to enrich their spiritual journey.

Key responsibilities include:

- Designing and overseeing **age-appropriate ministries** for birth to preschool, early elementary, and tweens that foster spiritual growth.
- Cultivating and supporting a **strong team of volunteers** to ensure a thriving, sustainable ministry.
- Creating innovative and engaging activities that spark enthusiasm and deepen faith.
- Collaborating with church leadership to align children's ministry with the broader mission of Hixson UMC.

We are looking for an **experienced leader** who loves God, is passionate about children and tweens, and can **energize and equip young people and adults** to grow in faith together.

If you feel called to this ministry and are ready to make a meaningful impact, we invite you to apply!

# **Qualifications & Requirements**

The ideal candidate will have:

- A deep and growing relationship with Jesus Christ, demonstrated through personal faith and spiritual maturity.
- A degree in a relevant field, such as Church Ministry, Children's Ministry, Education, or a related discipline.
- At least 5 years of leadership experience in children's ministry or a similar role.
- **Strong leadership and recruitment skills**, with the ability to identify, equip, and mentor volunteers and adult leaders.
- A passion for nurturing children's faith, guiding them toward a deeper understanding of their identity as children of God and followers of Jesus.
- Proven experience in developing and implementing engaging, age-appropriate ministry programs that emphasize prayer, presence, gifts, and service.
- Excellent communication skills and proficiency with technology, utilizing digital tools to enhance ministry effectiveness.

#### What Hixson United Methodist has to offer the interested candidate:

Hixson United Methodist Church is a mission-focused historic church in the heart of Hixson, Tennessee, a suburb of Chattanooga. We pride ourselves on being an integral part of the community with traditional and contemporary in-person and livestream worship opportunities. Our multi-generational congregation supports

an active preschool, children's and youth ministries, and numerous local, national, and international mission opportunities.

We offer a competitive compensation package that includes:

- Flexible Schedule
- Health Insurance
- Paid time off
- Paid Cell phone
- Salary range of \$45,000 to \$55,000

## **Our Mission**

Knowing our mission is essential - it tells us where we're going, and we are excited to see where God is taking us. We hope you will join us in partnering with God to transform the world by offering *Help*, *Hope*, and *Healing* in Jesus Christ.

## **Our Vision**

**HELP** for the hungry by feeding as Jesus fed. **HOPE** for the lost by proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. **HEALING** for the broken by reconciling people through the Christian community.

## Chattanooga Area

Main Street meets mountains in Chattanooga – a changing city on the Tennessee River with classic character and unexpected energy. Chattanooga is growing, all the while retaining its small-town charm. Upbeat and laid back. Re-inspired, not reinvented. Culture and character. A mix of locals and transplants. From automakers to tech innovators. Gig City – Chattanooga is the first city with a 10-gigabit network. These terms all describe Chattanooga, the best city in the Southeast.

#### Interested?

Candidates should submit a resume and cover letter to Missy Thompson, Chairperson, HUMC Staff Parish Team, at missyhumc@gmail.com.