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ACTING DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Reports to: Minister

Hours and schedule: 20 hours per week. Sunday hours could be up to 6.

Compensation: \$25,000

Start Date: August 15, 2022 (some flexibility)

First Parish Hingham, Old Ship Church is seeking an Acting Religious Education Director to help reinvigorate and grow our religious education program. Our beloved parish will be hiring an interim Minister in 2022. We are seeking an organized, collaborative, dependable, and motivated person with experience working with children and youth and an understanding of, or willingness to learn about, the Unitarian Universalist faith. Starting in August 2022, part-time, lasting a year with the desire and expectation that the right candidate will become our settled Religious Education Director thereafter.

Religious Education Mission:

The Old Ship Church Religious Education program creates a meaningful community that values individuals and awakens their sense of wonder, reverence, and self-awareness through fellowship, worship, education, and service.

In fulfillment of this mission, the R.E. program: Welcomes and accepts all children and Youth, and values the gifts they bring and the people they are. Builds community by celebrating life's journey, milestones, and intergenerational connections. Nurtures spiritual growth and development by fostering the free and reasonable search for (life) meaning and individual truth. Awakens, through ritual, word, song, art and movement, the mystery of living, the reverence for and awe of life. Fosters our children's U.U. identity by teaching them about our principles and sources, heritage, and traditions. Promotes commitment to justice and ecological sustainability in the world through education, service and social action.

An Acting RE Director Will:

Have a commitment to knowledge of UU principles, values, history & worship. Develop and grow our religious education program based on UU best practices and family/congregation needs. Collaborate intentionally with ministry, music, and faith formation efforts. Provide family ministry including children's and youth ministry in a flexible, proactive, and responsive way. Deliver religious education in a less traditional way that will support and increase families' ability to participate. Collaborate with and support religious education teachers. Together with the RE Committee, plan cherished special events such as Day of the Dead, Seder, Easter, Pancake Breakfast, Pride Day and other RE and intergenerational events. Support a robust youth ministry. Welcome young adults.

About Us:

Old Ship offers a faith based home for those who seek to transform themselves, our communities and the world. We have experienced loss of children and youth since the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, a typical Sunday serves about 6 - 10 children and youth.

We are seeking a creative person to help us clarify our core values, strengthen our commitment to our beloved spiritual community, and move ahead during this exciting period of change, growth, and renewal.

To apply for this position, please email a cover letter and resume to: office@oldshipchurch.org Thank you.