

Announces a Search for

Associate Minister or Director for Children, Youth, and their Families (Both Full-Time and Part-Time Applicants Welcome) The First Congregational Church in Nantucket, Massachusetts

We are searching for either an ordained Associate Minister or a lay Director for Youth, Children, and their Families who will provide leadership and oversee a ministry program that includes age-appropriate religious education, confirmation preparation, retreats, Bible studies, and other events for youth, children, and their families. This position could be designed either as full-time or part-time, depending upon the needs and situation of the candidates whom we interview. What is important to us is that we find the right individual (or pair) to contribute to the life and community of our church, who enjoys and embraces life on the island of Nantucket, and who will be an active and engaged partner with our Senior Minister, Minister of Music, and the lay leadership of our church. The Associate Minister or Director would be able to develop new ministry activities for our children, youth, and their families, while continuing to implement and foster established programs.

A successful candidate as Associate Minister would have a master's level degree or its equivalent from an ATS-accredited theological school, and either be ordained or a candidate for ordination in a mainline Protestant denomination. Should the applicant be qualified for a call as Associate Minister, there would also be opportunities to preach, provide pastoral care, and assist with other ministries as secondary aspects of their call, but primary responsibilities would be with children, youth, and their families.

A successful candidate as Director would have a minimum of an undergraduate degree and have a background working with children and youth in church, educational, or non-profit settings.

Any candidate should be positive, energetic, outgoing, and personable, and enjoy working collaboratively with staff and volunteers. If the candidate has had prior connection to or experience with Nantucket, this would be helpful for our search committee to know. This position reports to the Senior Minister, who is the head of staff for our church, and would be actively engaged with our Education and Outreach Committee of lay leaders.

The First Congregational Church of Nantucket, a member of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC), is a multigenerational congregation residing in the beautiful and historic community of Nantucket, an island 30 miles off the coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. As a seasonal destination, our congregation consists of a steady year-round membership with an influx of members and visitors attending seasonally from May through September. We joyfully welcome all to worship and fellowship, embracing varying theological and political beliefs. We offer a competitive salary, as well as benefits for full-time employees. If applying for the position as Associate Minister rather than as Director, we ask that you have your ministerial profile forwarded as well. Please indicate whether you are applying for the position as Associate Minister or as Director, and whether your preference would be for a full-time or part-time position with our church. Applications should be received no later than December 15, 2022 for best consideration by our search committee.

Enthusiastic and interested applicants may submit a cover letter, resume, and supporting materials to the Senior Minister, The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, at stephenmurray@nantucketfcc.org.