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**POSITION DESCRIPTION: STUDENT PASTOR/INTERN**

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

Our main goal in calling a student pastor to serve at Bethany UCC is to offer ourselves as a “teaching congregation,” that is, to afford a student the opportunity to participate in any and all aspects of congregational life. We wish to help a student seek her/his “growing edges” in ministry and have the chance to work on developing his/her pastoral identity. In turn, we will be blessed by a student’s presence in our midst, to help us find our “growing edges” and continue to develop our identity as a family of faith.

**MAJOR DUTIES:**

**Worship**

Work with the Pastor in planning Sunday worship as well as special, seasonal worship experiences (e.g. Christmas Eve, Wednesday evening Lenten services, Holy Week services, etc.).

Assist in worship weekly, preaching at least four times -- or as often as monthly -- within the school year; participate in special services, including seasonal services mention above.

As schedule permits and experiences are available, participate in weddings and funerals.

**Leadership Growth and Development**

Experience the work of all areas of ministry, working especially in the areas of Evangelism and Christian Education.

Work with the Pastor to help develop and empower leaders in the church (for example, members of the Church Council, committee chairpersons, etc.)

Work with the Pastor and Parish Nurse in planning and promoting programs of interest to congregation and community members.

Report, on a monthly basis, to the congregation (through the newsletter) and to the Church Council (through a brief written report as well as attendance at the meeting when possible).

**Education and Spiritual Growth**

Depending on experience and interest, teach/lead a Sunday morning class and/or a special daytime or evening study group. Our students have often led the adult Christian Development class.

**Visitation**

Insofar as time and schedule permits, participate in the visitation of members who are homebound and in health care facilities.

Insofar as time and schedule permits, participate in hospital visitation.

*The above position description is not meant to be exhaustive; neither is it meant to be inflexible. We will work with the student to insure a positive learning experience from which both student and congregation will benefit.*