**St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church “A House of Prayer for All People”**

**Associate for Children and Youth Ministries**

**Job Description**

Located in the historic Ansonborough neighborhood of downtown Charleston, South Carolina, St. Stephen’s ([www.ststephenscharleston.org)](http://www.ststephenscharleston.org)) is a vibrant, progressive, and inclusive congregation grounded in the love of Jesus. We are a mission-centered church that strives to put our faith into action and to witness to the love of God in the public square. The church is seeking an experienced full-time lay or ordained Associate for Children and Youth Ministries to help us oversee and cultivate programming for a growing number of families with young children and older youths on our rolls. This individual will serve as pastor, teacher, evangelist and administrator who works collegially with staff and parishioners to share the love of Christ, and to develop and implement offerings and programs that serve our growing population of children and young families.

Essential functions for this position include:

* Oversee the Sunday school program and nursery.
* Develop a program for youth (middle and high school)
* Work collaboratively with staff and volunteer teachers to implement a cohesive Christian formation plan.
* Work with the staff to help develop and lead a Sunday morning liturgy geared towards children.
* Discern, recruit, and equip adult leaders annually and provide leader trainings and ongoing support.
* Ensure all systems and processes are in place and well-functioning.
* Maintain and manage all modes of communication for children’s and youth ministries.

Qualifications for this position are:

* A deep sense of calling to family, children’s and youth ministry and a natural ability to relate and work well with children, youth, and their parents.
* A love of Christ, enthusiasm, authenticity and personal gifts that will inspire others.
* A person of prayer, personal integrity, and joy who has a heart of compassion, is a good listener, avid learner, and creative teacher.
* A profound commitment to diversity and to be inclusive of all people.
* Experience recruiting, managing, and supervising is preferred.
* Experience working with children and youth with learning differences is preferred.

A competitive compensation package commensurate with experience, including full benefits, is offered. Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume to the Rev. Adam Shoemaker at ststephensrector67anson@gmail.com.