

JOB POSTING: LAY MINISTER OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Purpose: This new lay ministerial position at St Catherine's Anglican Church is a pilot project seeking to empower our congregation to (1) support community relationships within the St. Catherine's congregation and (2) strategically engage with the wider community outside our church.

In collaboration with our clergy, Parish Council and our community engagement and outreach volunteers, this lay minister will give leadership, encouragement, vision and action to the various initiatives and ministry streams which further the vision for St. Catherine's to be a thriving multicultural and multigenerational faith community in North Vancouver, as envisaged in our recently-adopted Ministry Plan (2021).

Job Description: This part-time, lay ministry position leads our engagement with the neighborhoods surrounding St. Catherine's using the services of the Priest-in-Charge, other staff and volunteers, with special attention to community organizing opportunities and efforts. This position may share some duties with our clergy, including staffing various church committees. This position reports directly to our Priest-in-Charge, with indirect reporting to Parish Council through the community engagement ministry stream chair.

Job Responsibilities:

45% Work with the growing edge of the St. Catherine's community to:

- Solicit comments on our services and connect with online service viewers;
- Monitor YouTube comments and re-engage St Catherine's social media platforms;
- Work with greeters and Rev Sharon to assist newcomers to smoothly integrate into the church and find their niche as volunteers;
- Plan and oversee implementation of opportunities for the congregation to engage and build relationships with our Edgemont Village neighbors and the wider North Shore community, including renewal of our thanksgiving dinner in partnership with North Shore services;

45% Engagement with the surrounding neighbourhood:

- Regular meetings with volunteer parishioners who live, work and serve in the neighbourhood;
- Working with our Parish outreach committee to influence outreach activities and connect with outreach partners;
- Event advertising in Edgemont Village and online;
- Recruiting rental groups and building their relationship with St. Catherine's and with each other;
- Strengthening St Catherine's partnership with the community garden associations;
- Represent St. Catherine's at Edgemont Village Business Association meetings;
- Work with the program directors at local seniors' residences to re-establish St Catherine's outreach to seniors in our community;

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- Be a supportive and encouraging presence as part of the staff and team of St. Catherine's.
- Participate in monthly staff and team meetings as needed (some of which may be in the evening);
- Assist in preparing for special services (Easter, Lent, Advent, Christmas, etc);

Requirements:

- Familiarity with the Anglican experience;
- Ability to represent the Church and the Anglican faith honourably;
- A self-starter with the ability to think creatively and strategically;
- Ability to work with all age groups, from children and youth to seniors;
- Ability to build partnerships and lead volunteers effectively; and
- Administrative and organizational skills;

Experience in working with or participating in different community groups will be an asset.

The successful applicant will need to complete a Criminal Records Check (Vulnerable Sector) before beginning their employment and attend dismantling racism training at the next offering of the seminar.

Remuneration: \$27.50/hr for an 8-hour work week.

Term: This is a part time, contract position for a 1-year pilot project and requires a minimum 1-year commitment from the successful candidate. Consideration for renewal or extension of the contract term will be given prior to the end of the initial term.

Contact: Resume and Cover Letters accepted until August 31st, 2022.

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ABOUT ST. CATHERINE'S

Catherine's Anglican Church, near the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations, is a contemporary, progressive community of Christian seekers.

We welcome our neighbours to join us in the journey. We provide a place of spiritual growth through Christ and we respond with gratitude for God's abundance in our lives through service to our brothers and sisters in the world.

Our Vision is to:

- Be an inclusive and thriving community of faith for all generations
- Continually invite others to join us in our journey of faith and Christian discipleship
- Honour the strengthening of relationships and development of community, both within our walls and outside them
- Minister to those in need in Christ's name

St Catherine's is a community that aspires to be:

Welcoming, Inclusive, Curious, Creative, Sustainable, Caring and Humble.