

# Church of Saint John the Evangelist, Hamilton

## Ministry Description

Ministry Area	Children's Ministry	Position	Teacher
Nature of Ministry	<p>As a member of the Children's Ministry Team, you will provide an environment in which children can encounter God and grow in Christian faith and practice.</p> <p>The purpose of your ministry walk with children in the development of their faith, to help them encounter the God revealed in the Bible and to participate with them in Christian community and discipleship.</p>		
Outline of Responsibilities	Prepare lessons and teach on Sunday mornings within the allotted time in Sunday worship.		
A Person Well-Suited	<p>Will have a passion for the Christian education of children and adults.</p> <p>Will be well organized and dependable.</p> <p>Will be enjoy working alone and in a group setting.</p> <p>Will enjoy working with children and with other adults.</p> <p>Will be comfortable talking about their faith.</p> <p>Spiritual gifts that would apply to this ministry include: administration, teaching, creative communication, helps.</p>		
Time Commitment	Approximately one hour per week.	Length of Term	A one-year commitment is requested.
Participation Group	Children, parents, worshipping community, and teaching team.		
Support, Supervision and Training	Direct supervision of this ministry is by the Children's Ministry Coordinator or Rector.		
Boundaries and Limitations	Because of their age children are always vulnerable to various forms of abuse. Strict adherence to the diocesan Policy for Working with Vulnerable Persons protects those who are vulnerable and those who work with them.		
Benefits to Volunteer	The children will help you to grow in your discipleship. The volunteer will be part of an amazing team of people who teach and care for our children.		

Risk Assessment		
Risk Type	Description	Assessment
Participation and Supervision	Children of the parish. Supervision by the Children's Ministry Coordinator or Rector.	Medium.
Setting	Sunday morning Children's Church, often without other adults present.	Medium-high.
Nature of Relationship	Teaching children in group setting.	Medium
Degree of Authority	Children look up to their teachers.	High.
Physical Safety	Minimal physical risks; children are vulnerable to minor injuries.	Medium.
Financial	Little or no financial involvement.	Low.
Privileged Information	Little or no access to privileged information.	Low.
Damaged Reputation	Some risk of accusation.	High.
Key-Holder	May require office key for copying.	Low.
<b>Risk Level Assessed</b>	<b>Medium-High.</b>	

Screening Requirements			
	Training is required.	✓	Training is offered, but not required.
✓	Interview is required.	✓	References are required (see volunteer registration form..
✓	Police Records Check (PRC) is required.	✓	PRC with vulnerable sector screening required.
✓	Volunteer Registration Form is required. (Must be completed if interview, PRC, and/or references are required.	✓	Signed statement regarding ministry description required.
✓	Signed statement regarding confidentiality required.	If	Key-holder agreement required.
✓	Signed statement regarding policy on ministry with vulnerable persons required.		

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to assume the duties, responsibilities and expectations as set out in this Ministry Description.

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Full name (please print)

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Signature

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Date

