Missioner for Adult Formation and Lifelong Learning

Job title: Missioner for Adult Formation and Lifelong Learning
Reports to: Bishop Suffragan
Job status: Full time; exempt
Location: Diocese of North Carolina

Job Summary

The Missioner for Adult Formation and Lifelong Learning is a newly created full-time position for the staff of the Diocese of North Carolina. The missioner is a key leader for increasing the vitality and impact of Christian formation at the local, regional and diocesan level intended to “make disciples who make a difference.”

Position Priorities

- Build and strengthen relationships, points of connections and collaboration among Christian formation leaders across the diocese and the wider church
- Curate the best offerings and practices in lifelong formation found across The Episcopal Church and Christian communities of the world.
- Identify and utilize the best strategies to communicate opportunities, events and resources in formation.

Relationships

The missioner:
- Will be supervised by the Bishop Suffragan.
- Will work closely with the Chartered Committee for Lifelong Formation to establish and execute the priorities in formation for the Diocesese.
- Is the staff liaison to the Bishop’s Committee for Racial Justice and Reconciliation.
- Assists the Commission on Ministry for the Diaconate with the formation aspects of the ordination process.
- Develops the annual budget with the Department of Christian Formation of the Diocesan Council.
- Will work closely with the diocesan youth missioners and coordinate formation efforts to be in sync with the rest of the diocesan programming.
Duties and responsibilities

- Provide support to congregations in areas of adult formation and according to the diocesan priorities including, but not limited to, the work of Becoming Beloved Community, strengthening vulnerable communities and creation care.
- Build and sustain networks of relationships among formation leaders (lay and clergy) in the diocese, in Province IV of The Episcopal Church, at our seminaries and with officers at The Episcopal Church. Support and implement diocesan-wide formation events that support diocesan priorities, as determined by our Bishops and articulated to the diocese at Annual Convention.
- Help support and schedule our Dismantling Racism workshops.
- Work with the Communications Department to curate and communicate formation resources making best possible use of technology, social media and creative designs.
- Collaborate with youth missioners, campus ministers and canons to encourage lifelong formation at the local level as well as diocesan-wide events.
- Assist the Commission on Ministry for the Diaconate in the duties necessary in the instruction and preparation of aspirants, postulants and candidates in the ordination process.
- Assist the Bishop Diocesan in developing innovative ways to support vocational discernment for lay people sensing a call to ministry (non-ordained).
- Assist the Bishop Diocesan in designing and implementing special formation opportunities aligned with the priorities of the diocese.

Qualifications

- Brings a creative, innovative spirit coupled with a deep love and reverence for the traditions of the church.
- Is rooted in an active life of prayer and sees the vital connection between worship and mission.
- Has a passion for the gospel of Jesus, and for the role of congregations in shaping lives of faithful discipleship.
- Demonstrated experience as a leader in Christian formation programming (3-5 years of experience preferred).
- Theological education and/or training in Christian formation with emphasis upon adult formation.
- Familiarity with Anglican identity and Episcopal polity.
- Experience addressing the systemic issues of racism, diversity and inclusion.
- Capacity to reimagine Christian formation in light of our post-Christendom, 21st-century mission context.
- Strong background in relationship development and teambuilding.
- Is self-motivated, able to work collaboratively while also working away from Diocesan House in Raleigh.
- Has excellence in written, verbal, interpersonal communications and presentation skills.
- A valid driver’s license.

Employment contingent on successful completion of background checks and completion of Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina Safe Church Training and Diocesan Anti-Racism Training.
Salary Range

- $70,000 - $74,000 per year plus benefits, including health insurance, life insurance and 403(B)

To Apply

- Applicants should submit the following materials to Maria Gillespie, director of finance and administration at maria.gillespie@episdionc.org.
  - A cover letter (letter of interest) addressed to the Rt. Rev. Anne E. Hodges-Copple
  - Current resume
  - OTM Portfolio (if clergy)
- Applications must be received by February 7, 2020.