

Worship, Theology, and Arts Summer Intern Cohort I Job Description

The Worship Arts Intern should spend about 35 hours each week invested in community, study, and formation - first toward his/her own discipleship journey, and second toward the worshipping life of First Presbyterian Church of Winston Salem. The Intern may also consider – if interested - spending up to two weeks of his/her program engaged in the broader life of the church, especially through serving as a leader at VBS or on youth missions trips.

The Cohort, which consists of the summer Interns, the Worship pastor, the Youth directors, and the College Director, meets weekly. During Cohort meetings we check in about the challenges and joys in the internship experience, do intentional study and reflection on the nature of discipleship and life within the community of Christ, and we discuss the readings for the week, either from Scripture or from a different book.

Reading List

- *Jonah* (for Cohort)
- *In The Name of Jesus* by Henri Nouwen (for Cohort)
- *Ancient Future Worship* by Robert Webber OR *The Worship Architect* by Constance Cherry
- *You Are What You Love* by James K.A. Smith

INTERNSHIP CORNERSTONES

1) Worship

- Study of Reformed principles of worship and liturgical theology
- Exploration and study of the arts as an expression of worship
- Craft robust worship services
- Lead the band musically and spiritually
- Lead the congregation in worship on a regular basis
- Possibly incorporate creative arts into the worship services

2) Spiritual Formation

- Regular study of Scripture, individually and corporately
- Regular prayer
- Study and discussion of books, both for the intern cohort and specific to theology of worship
- Leadership development

3) Life at First Pres

- Involvement in the weekly rhythms of First Pres staff (attending weekly Huddle meetings, weekly staff devotionals, and monthly staff lunches)
- Engagement with events going on in the wider life of our church: specifically, volunteering at VBS
- Participation in college ministry events and weekly Bible study

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Mondays

- Leadership Development class - 10am
- All-staff Huddle - 11am
- Cohort lunch - 11:30am (each of the pastors will rotate taking the Cohort to lunch)
- Cohort class - 1pm

Tuesdays

- Supervision with Worship Pastor - 10am
 - o Discussion of worship book reading
 - o Internship check in, feedback
 - o Worship planning and brainstorming
- Prep for and attend rehearsal (printing, organizing, etc)
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Wednesdays

- All-staff devos - 11am, including leading one week
- Lunch or lunch meeting with staff at noon (2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays)
- Worship planning meeting at 2:30
- Attend college Bible study - 7:30pm

Thursdays

- Cohort Coffee: get coffee or lunch with the other interns

Sundays

- Rehearsal and worship service

Weekly responsibilities (to be incorporated whenever they best fit into your schedule)

- Attend morning prayer at least one day a week at 9:15
- Create slides for Sunday's service
- Print and organize music for each band member prior to rehearsal (usu. Tuesdays)
- Read assigned texts (use internship hours to read)
- As necessary, creatively arrange songs for the band
- Craft and lead a short devo or reflection for band practice, based on the sermon text and theme for the week

Occasional responsibilities

- Lead at least one service (including planning, leading rehearsal, and being the point person for the band in the worship service)
- Participate in the choir or as a liturgist at the traditional service, if interested
- Song writing for summer sermon series