

2016 Summer Head Chaplain Job Description

Employment Dates

Date of Hire: March 1st, 2016

Dates of Part-Time Employment: March 1st - June 1st, 2016 (Bi-weekly/Monthly meetings or conference calls)

Dates of Full-Time Employment: June 10th, 2016 – July 29th, 2016

Reports to: BCH Camp Director, Alessia Doss

Job Description: The Head Chaplain position at BCH Camp encompasses several different responsibilities relating (but not exclusive) to: residential Christian community living; camp programming; worship planning and implementation; pastoral care for youth and counselors ages 8 to 25; leadership and hospitality for visiting clergy and other diocesan staff members and having a key role on our administrative and leadership staff teams.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Being present for pastoral needs and emergencies relating to the entire camp community, including both campers and staff.
- Working with the Camp Director, Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry and other summer camp employees in the months leading up to the start of camp to develop the Summer Camp Faith Formation Curriculum and the weekly Worship Rota.
- Helping to train, guide and support staff in leading comprehensive and accessible bible studies.
- Leading daily staff worship and Bible study during staff training weeks and every Sunday before camper check-in.
- Planning, being a physical presence and sometimes leading at the following worship services: Morning Worship (Monday through Friday); Monday and Thursday Eucharist; Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Evening Worship services. Total: 10 services/week
- Being a gracious and welcoming host for visiting clergy and diocesan staff serving as visiting chaplains each week during the summer. Overseeing visiting chaplains in their role as preachers, teachers, pastors, and companions to the campers and staff
- Sharing preaching responsibility for the 10 services/week with the visiting chaplains.
- Finding humor in the tough places of residential life; having an enormous amount of flexibility in terms of timing, weather, and being able to step in when needed; letting others lead when they need to lead; being accountable witness to the faith journeys or stumbling of those in the community; role modeling inclusive and redemptive Christianity to the community at all times; being open to other denominational traditions and diverse backgrounds (particularly those of staff); being a sensitive community member; being physically able to work in a largely outdoor environment and being on call into the later evening hours.
- In a medical emergency, the Chaplain is often called upon to accompany any hurt camper or staff member to the hospital. Access to a car and having a driver's license is strongly encouraged, but not necessary.

Compensation

- \$400 per week
- Housing is provided by the camp
- Meals are provided from Sunday lunch to Friday dinner with the option to kitchen access during time off
- Official working hours of the camp are: Sunday 10am to Friday 5pm.

To Apply: Send cover letter and resume to Alessia Doss, Camp Director, alessia@bchcenter.org