



La Côte Church seeks a part-time Youth Leader

La Côte Church is a small English-speaking Anglican Church with members across the La Côte region of Lac Léman, with two congregations: in Divonne-les-Bains, France and Gingins, Switzerland.

As a Strategic Priority for the church, and with a growing number of children and youth, we would like to build upon the success of our part-time Youth Leader of the past 5 years, who is now moving on to pursue full-time church ministry.

The objectives of the role are:

1. Coordinate the breadth of our children and youth work and the work of the volunteers leading specific groups
2. Cultivate the personal and communal spiritual life and practices of children and youth
3. Deepen the friendships between the children / youth, including through social events, voluntary work or other activities
4. Pastorally support the children and youth in liaison with their families
5. Outreach to children and youth beyond La Côte Church

The successful candidate will have demonstrated the skills needed to deliver effectively and proactively across the breadth of these areas. Prior experience of church youth work is ideal but not necessarily critical in a candidate who has exceptional skills and potential. The ability to communicate in French is also an advantage.

We are interested in exploring with potential candidates a time commitment compatible with their existing commitments and the church budget, between 25% FTE (10 hours a week) to 50% FTE (20 hours a week). One possibility would be for an existing part-time youth leader at another church to explore combining the two roles, as our services are at unusual times (1600 weekly in Gingins; and 1000 on second and fourth Sundays in Divonne).

The role would be official and salaried, at a level consistent with other local churches. The successful candidate would need to be eligible to work in Switzerland and pass safeguarding checks. We would agree a one year contract initially, with the opportunity to extend by mutual agreement. We would like the position to be filled as soon as possible.

The Youth Leader is accountable to the Chaplain and Chaplaincy Council. The Council has recently designated several members to be focal points on supporting children and youth.

Applications open 14 January 2019. We will review applications as we receive them and close the process once a candidate is successful. So early application is highly recommended.

Interested candidates should apply with their CV and covering letter to the La Côte Chaplaincy Council at secretary@lacotechurch.ch