



Overview

Ascent Church (theascentchurch.com) in Monument, Colorado is excited and ready to welcome an experienced and relational Student Pastor to join the team. This pastor will take the good foundation that exists and bring the ministry to even greater levels of impact.

The Big Idea



Ascent is a growing congregation just north of Colorado Springs. Actively engaged in the local community, Ascent is known for exceptional worship, biblical teaching, and caring for those in times of need. The incoming pastor will oversee middle and high school ministries and the volunteers/interns that serve in those spaces. Key areas of focus will be casting vision, recruiting volunteers, empowering leaders, providing stability, and increasing student engagement. Partnering with Ascent Kids and establishing an intentional "bridge of ministry" to ensure continuity will be essential. Investing in discipleship and engaging students that are outside the church will be a welcomed approach. Over the last several years, Monument has suffered from a high rate of teen suicide. Ascent has been on the front lines of this reality, and for the last five years has partnered with schools for suicide prevention. This year, 17 schools will be getting resources raised through the Run4Hope 5k the church hosts annually. Teaching through a biblical lens while still being able to connect with students who are hurting or questioning is critical.

The Church

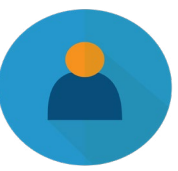


Affiliation: Non-denominational

Attendance: 350 and growing

About: Ascent Church is well known in the community and was recently named as the Nonprofit of the Year for the greater Tri-Lakes area due to their involvement and advocacy for suicide prevention. Surrounded by thousands of families, Ascent is strategically located between a middle school and high school, right next to the busiest highway in the region.

The Candidate



The ideal candidate for Ascent Church deeply loves Jesus and students. Being a student pastor is the call of this individual, not a stepping stone to something else. The right candidate for Ascent will be invested and rooted in the church, the community, the lives of students and their parents. The ideal leader possesses an energizing, relational and engaging personality, with the ability to equip and empower others while still taking the time to be present and interact with students consistently. The selected candidate will communicate and partner with parents with excellence and generate an enthusiasm to draw students that may be "on the fringe" to further explore the ministry. The ideal candidate won't take themselves too seriously but will take the mission of investing in students very seriously. Able to strike up a conversation with ease, this next pastor will be approachable and have a heart for those that do not know Jesus. The right leader will be an effective communicator and speaker, work collaboratively with others, and be a champion for students at the church and in the community.

The Location



Monument, Colorado is a beautiful family-friendly suburb just north of Colorado Springs. Niche.com ranks it as the #1 best place to raise a family in the Colorado Springs area and the #9 best place to buy a home in Colorado. Monument is ideally located, just 45 minutes south of the Denver metro area, with beautiful views of Pikes Peak, and a short two-hour drive to world renowned ski resorts, such as Keystone and Breckenridge, just to name a couple. The natural beauty of the area is breathtaking, and is one of the many reasons why so many people move to the area. As you can imagine, outdoor activities are popular here all year round, including skiing, snowboarding, hiking, mountain biking, fishing, and hunting.

The Qualifications



Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree a plus. Three-to-five years student ministry experience minimum. Must align with Ascent Church's [statement of faith](#). Passion for Jesus and for ministry to students. Ability to have fun while working hard. Energetic, high EQ and a talented teacher. Spiritually mature, emotionally stable, and relationally intelligent. Demonstrated capacity to manage staff and volunteers.

Next Steps



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