



Overview

Ridgewood Church in Minnetonka, MN is excited and eager to call an energized and relational Student Pastor to partner with them and join their team to maximize ministry efforts and reach students for Jesus.

The Big Idea



Ridgewood Church is bursting with potential, with a high-profile location, young families growing the church, and an impressive \$2.75M building renovation. Good things are happening, but the time is now for a new Student Pastor to join the team and address some gap areas. The Student Pastor will be asked to engage students through creating genuine connections, equip and empower volunteers, foster greater evangelism impact, and lead others in a relational manner. The right candidate will see the amazing resources and potential that awaits at Ridgewood and will be energized by the opportunity to join a church with a solid foundation.

The Church



Affiliation: [Converge Baptist](#)

Attendance: 350

About: The purpose of Ridgewood is powerful and clear: make Jesus known through community impact. This vision reaches into every facet of life at Ridgewood, and has high potential for impact with the leadership of a new Student Pastor. With senior leadership championing the importance of empowering volunteers, equipping the body, discipling believers and reaching the community, this next pastor will feel the support and significance of this role, and how it is critical if the church is to accomplish its goal for greater impact in Minnetonka and beyond.

The Candidate



The ideal candidate for Ridgewood Church will be a leader who is passionate about reaching students with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Modeling an authentic faith, this leader will know how to cast a compelling vision, draw students and volunteers into greater participation, and move the ministry forward into a new season. With an ability to assess and measure the current state of the ministry and how to move it forward, this new pastor will collaboratively work with others to identify goals and objectives that will maximize efforts and take the ministry to the next level. As an engaging “people person,” intentional and authentic relationships will be at the heart of this individual’s ministry. Possessing a winsome personality and a confident yet humble heart, the ideal candidate will be approachable and warm. Able to talk to others easily, this next pastor will be passionate about people and have a heart for students who are far from God or do not yet know Jesus. The right leader will clearly communicate Student Ministry values churchwide and lovingly motivate and inspire the students to live out the purpose of the church in everyday life.

The Location



Located just west of the Twin Cities, Minnetonka is a beautiful, growing and family-friendly suburb of about 55,000. Situated on the eastern edge of Lake Minnetonka, the city embraces its natural surroundings—complete with trails, parks and preserves—as well as its thriving businesses, making it an ideal location for families to live, work and play. Minnetonka Public Schools are exceptional, ranked #1 for Best School Districts among public schools in Minnesota for 2022 by Niche.com in its annual Best Schools rankings.

The Qualifications



Must be a born-again Christian, committed to maturing in one’s walk with Jesus Christ, devoted to Scripture, and in alignment with Ridgewood’s [values and beliefs](#). Bachelor’s degree required. Relevant Master’s degree a plus. A clear passion for students—not a quick stepping stone to something else. Three to five years of ministry experience leading in a church or ministry. Experience supervising, equipping and empowering volunteers. Highly relational and approachable. Spiritually mature and emotionally intelligent. Exceptional communication and organizational skills.

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