**Desert Hills Lutheran Church – Job Description**

**Title:** Parish Nurse **Department:** Pastoral Care **Reports to**: Senior Pastor

**Twenty Hour per week position with competitive healthcare compensation**

**Coordinates With:** Health & Wellness, Social Concerns and Pastoral Care Teams

**Description Revised:** December, 2021

**Primary Responsibilities:** The Parish Nurse will take a holistic approach to physical, mental and spiritual health and wellness in support of members and friends of Desert Hills Lutheran Church. This position involves several roles: being an educator, advocate, counselor, community resource advisor and life style coach. The Parish Nurse will increase the congregation’s awareness of health and safety needs and issues and the scope of available services.

**Duties:**

* Expand the concept of holistic health, coordinating efforts with Health & Wellness, Social Concern and Pastoral Care teams
* Assist persons with an understanding of the health care system
* Assist individuals in modifying lifestyles, coping with disease or chronic illness and/or adjusting to major life changes
* Refer individuals to appropriate health care resources within the community
* Prepare Health and Wellness newsletter articles
* Oversee policy and procedural activities such as CPR and AED training , Incident reports, HIPPA information, Employee Emergency actions, New Member packets
* Organize and manage immunizations, blood drives, health fairs
* Provide health screenings, visitations and mentoring of volunteers on health activities

**Qualifications:**

* Registered Nurse in the state of Arizona
* CPR Certified by AHA (American Heart Association)
* Minimum of five years of Nursing experience
  + Community health nursing experience desirable
  + Three years of experience with seniors is a plus
* Completed the “Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course” from the Westberg Institute (or will complete in first six months)
* Reflect personal spiritual maturity with an appreciation of Lutheran tradition
* Excellent communication skills
* Highly organized approach to complex problems