

## **Meet Our Newest Staff Member: Community Ministry Leader – Reilly Jones**

At their June 15 Church Council meeting the FBC Church Council endorsed the unanimous recommendation of the Search Committee to partner with Ms. Reilly Jones, a 2021 graduate of Franklin College, as our “Community Ministry Leader”. This ministry position, created by the Council earlier in 2021, is a “hired” position of 30 hours/week with a focus on “facilitating the congregation’s mission and outreach engagement with the greater Columbus community.”

In the position Reilly will be working under the supervision of Pastor Dan and the Church Council, and most closely align her ministry with the work of our Missions, Family Life and Evangelism ministry areas. She will be helping FBC to continue to look and serve outward, beyond the walls of our setting, to engage with others in the love and name of Jesus.

In many ways Reilly, who grew up at FBC, needs no introduction. Yet, take a moment to consider some of why our search team and Church Council feels she is the person for this position:

- 2021 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business with a concentration in Nonprofit Administration; Minors in Religious Studies and Sociology
- Co-President, Vice President, Treasurer and Bible Study leader with Intervarsity Christian Fellowship at Franklin College
- Internships with Franklin College Religious Life, Go Ministries, First Baptist Church, Dancers Studios and International Ministries (ABCUSA)
- Franklin College Organization Officer of the Year 2019-20; President’s List – 8 semesters; Edna Lacy Scholarship Recipient, Alpha Academic Society (among other awards and honors)
- Skills in leadership, communication, organization, and team-building
- Admitted to Northern Seminary Masters of Divinity program

“From the initial conversations I had with Reilly, I felt the hand of God was leading both parties toward the discernment of a ministry partnership”, says Pastor Dan. “I am excited to have her as part of our Pastoral Ministry team.”

Reilly will begin her ministry as part of our FBC staff starting July 1<sup>st</sup>. Welcome Reilly!