

Music Director – Organist Position for the United Church of Hyde Park

The duties of the Music Director- Organist include but are not limited to:

1. Provide music during Sunday morning worship services (and other special services such as Christmas Eve and Holy Week) as indicated by the order of worship for the day, accompany all congregational singing, and assure an integrated worship experience. Normally this includes a prelude, an offertory, and a postlude. The music played should be appropriate to the overall plan for the individual worship services. The congregation expects to hear the organs and the piano played often and well.
2. Be familiar with a range of genres of music, such as early Christian music, hymns, contemporary Christian, traditional sacred music, gospel, and secular forms such as folk, country, and jazz.
3. Plan, direct, and provide for the accompaniment of the adult choir at weekly rehearsals (currently Sunday mornings at 9:00), when the choir sings on Sunday mornings (currently at 10:30 a.m.) from mid-August through June, Christmas Eve, and Holy Week worship services. Work with paid section leaders.
4. Attend the regularly scheduled meetings of the Worship Committee to discuss the music program and upcoming special or seasonal services. The Worship Committee meets once a month in the afternoon at the church. In cooperation with the Worship Committee and the pastor, plan, supervise, direct, and coordinate all musical activities of the church in ways that form the congregation as a faithful worshiping community.
5. Meet regularly with the pastor who is the supervisor for this position.

Skills and Experience

- Has 3-5 years directing a choir and playing an organ and piano
- Can play a pipe organ, a Hammond organ, and a grand piano.
- Has a collaborative style of leadership, and can motivate singers.
- Works as a team member.
- Congregational song leading desirable.

Compensation

- In compensation for the above services, the Music Director – Organist will be paid a weekly honorarium amount TBD based on a contract basis.

Please submit your resume including an email address and phone number by Monday, March 6, 2017 to:

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