

Part-time Music Director Position

Bethany Lutheran Church, Cromwell

Job description:

The Music Director is responsible for leading the music during Lutheran (ELCA) liturgical worship. This includes regular consultation with the Pastor to review hymnody, anthems and related music to enhance the worship experience. Also included is leadership and direction for a small senior choir. Available instruments include a Yamaha baby grand piano and Yamaha electronic piano/organ in the nave of the sanctuary and a 8-rank Wicks pipe organ in the sanctuary balcony.

Duties:

- Weekly staff meeting (can be done remotely if needed) to plan and coordinate with the pastor, music for 3-4 Sundays per month (*1 Sunday per month is handled by Joyful Noise*)
- Accompany all worship services for the congregation
 - *One 9:30am service per week*
 - *From Oct – May 1st & 3rd Sun. each month have 2 services; 8:00am 9:30am*
 - *Additional services during Easter, Advent, Christmas, Thanksgiving*
- Schedule and direct weekly adult choir rehearsals and singing during services (*choir currently rehearses prior to the service on Sunday, but rehearsal time/day could be changed if needed.*)
- Recruit and facilitate participation from all age groups within the congregation
- Accompany weddings and funerals as requested (*can be for an additional fee*)
- Occasionally accompany soloists or children's choir performing during services
- Schedule and supervise maintenance of piano and organ
- Use and maintain the church's music library
- Handle hiring of outside musicians if needed
- Ensure that correct copyright procedures are followed as needed
- Maintain competency in skills and show evidence of continued musical growth

Skills and Qualifications:

- Experience in accompanying worship, preferably liturgical
- Demonstrated skill and proficiency on piano, organ competency desirable
- Music degree or AGO certification desirable
- Experience in choral conducting
- Familiarity with different styles of church music
- Ability to work collegially with pastor and others
- Ability to work with all age groups

About Bethany:

Bethany Lutheran Church in Cromwell has been locally known as “the music church” for many years. We have a long history of hosting concerts featuring members of the congregation, as well as having local groups that have used our facility for rehearsals as well as performances for many years. We are a small, caring and active community that spans a wide range of ages and demographics.

Salary:

- \$9000-10,800 (\$50-\$56 per/hour for 15 hours/month, dependent upon experience)
- Opportunity to grow the position if additional choirs or groups are added
- Flexible start date – preferably no later than September
- Permission to use church as a teaching studio

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