



Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Position Opening: Part-Time Minister of Music

We are searching for a part-time Director of Music to coordinate the musical aspects of our worshipping life as a congregation. The Director of Music would report to the Pastor and have close working relationships with paid and volunteer musicians, the Worship Team, and Congregational Council. We anticipate that the position would average approximately 10 hours of work per week, but the time commitment would vary with the liturgical seasons. Salary is negotiable based upon experience.

Holy Trinity is a Lutheran congregation of about 300 persons and we draw our congregants from the Seacoast region of southern New Hampshire and Maine. We have a single Sunday service of Holy Communion each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., with an average attendance of approximately 100 persons depending upon the season. We also have occasional mid-week services in the evening, primarily during Advent and Lent.

The church owns a Rodgers “Artists Series” electronic organ, a Yamaha baby grand piano, a Yamaha electric piano, and choir bells. We have a talented, paid pianist on staff, as well as other musicians who provide occasional accompaniment.

The responsibilities of the Director of Music would include:

- working with the Pastor and Worship Team to plan music for Sunday services throughout the year, occasional midweek evening services during Advent and Lent, and for holy day services, including especially Christmas Eve, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday;
- rehearsing and directing our volunteer choir, coordinating with our regular pianist and volunteer musicians, and providing musical oversight and support as needed;
- providing guidance and encouragement to our singers and musicians;
- implementing strategies to encourage congregational singing;

- coordinating with our AV technicians to ensure reliable live-streaming and recording of worship services;
- acting as a consultant as needed to plan music for weddings, funerals, and other special services;
- overseeing the filing and cataloging of music, and maintenance of our music library;
- submitting budget requests through Council to support our music ministry;
- ensuring that copyrights are appropriately honored;
- arranging for substitute musicians as necessary; and
- ensuring that all Holy Trinity instruments are properly maintained.

Qualifications for the position would include:

- a music degree at the college level or above;
- experience in working with and directing a choir;
- familiarity with Lutheran liturgy and hymnody, and an appreciation for the role of music in worship;
- a comfort level with AV equipment, digital sound, and related technology;
- ability to work well with others, including good verbal and email skills;
- functions well as a leader and team member;
- skilled at encouraging and motivating others;
- singing and keyboard skills, with the ability to play the organ as a desired but not necessary qualification.

Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Pastor Luther Zeigler at pastorluther@htelc.com. More information about the church can be found on our website at www.htelc.com.