

St. Peter's by the Sea Music Program

...worship, love of music, participation...

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC (DM)

The DM provides oversight and administration for the music program at St. Peter's by the Sea. The mission of the music program is to enrich our worship of God while celebrating the Anglican heritage through the variety of our sacred music. The music program inspires a love of music, provides growth in musicianship for adults and children at all levels of musical ability, and commits to engaging all.

SKILLS

DM will display:

1. Excellence in musical aptitude as demonstrated through a sensitivity towards both choir and congregation in the areas of performance, improvisation, service playing, choral conducting, and music arrangement.
2. Knowledge of successful educational methods in the areas of choral leadership and vocal training techniques.
3. Knowledge of Anglican liturgy and worship traditions, hymnody, and other sacred music (or display a desire to learn)
4. Creativity as an artistic leader with the ability and flexibility to match music selection to the tastes and skills of the congregation and choir
5. Strong interpersonal skills with an ability to engage the congregation, to use respect, sensibility, patience and encouragement in the leadership of the choir, and to engage and collaborate with community musicians
6. Enthusiasm and dependability creating exciting opportunities and accessible choir rehearsals with the goal of continuously raising the bar.
7. Excellent communication skills both written and oral and an openness to feedback.
8. Strong organizational, time management, and self-direction skills in the preparation of music, planning of rehearsals, and management of choir membership and performances

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The DM will:

1. Collaborate with the Rector in the general planning and leadership of the music program.
2. Collaborate with the Rector to select appropriate music for all principle services. This includes studying the scriptural readings for each service, and, along with the Rector, selecting appropriate hymns and anthems from the broad range of Anglican music.
3. Provide musical direction and accompaniment for the choir and congregation at the principle Sunday service (10:15 am), as well as during Holy Week (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Great Vigil of Easter) and for other services that may be scheduled from time to time.
4. Conduct one weekday/night adult choir rehearsal, as well as the warm-up rehearsal on Sunday morning. Establish a children's music program.
5. Strive to increase the musical skills of the parish and the choir while encouraging participation in all musical forms of worship.
6. Be responsible for the supervision of the maintenance of all equipment related to the music program including organs, harpsicord, pianos, electronic keyboard, vestments.
7. Perform at all weddings, as requested by the couple. If unable to perform at a wedding, the DM shall arrange the services of another qualified musician. The DM will be paid an additional \$250 by St. Peter's for all weddings.
8. The DM shall provide music for funeral services held at St. Peter's. The fee for such services shall be \$250, payable on the day of the service. If DM is unable, assistance will be provided in arranging for the services of another qualified musician.