

First Presbyterian Church
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First Presbyterian Church is a 100 year old church and a member of the Presbyterian Church(USA). FPC is a warm and welcoming congregation that excels at traditional worship, highly values our music program, and holds services each Sunday at 8:30am and 11am.

Position: Director of Music

Purpose: Responsible for directing and overseeing the music program, including the choir, soloists, concerts and other church activities as needed. The Director collaborates with the Pastor(s), Organist, Handbell Choir Director, Children's Choir Director, and paid-lead singers in the choir. Ideally, the Director will also be able to play the organ and piano as needed to support the music program.

Accountability: The Director of Music is supervised by the Pastor, and accountable to the Session through the Worship and Music Committee.

Qualifications:

- Possess a thorough knowledge of sacred music from the classics to the present. Ability to incorporate a variety of instruments in the worship experience. Ability and desire to think creatively and collaborate in the planning of worship and other special services with the Senior Pastor and others
- Excellent organizational and planning skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills and the ability to lead and minister to amateur and professional musical staff and volunteers.
- Excellent musical skills as a choral director, preferably with 5 years or more of experience directing in a church setting

Position is part-time, including Thursday evening weekly choir rehearsals, Sunday morning worship services, and additional rehearsals and events as required. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Responsibilities:

- Coordinate music program, choirs, hired instrumentalists and vocalists
- Select music for all services and events as required with the Pastor's approval
- Organize, schedule and conduct the Chancel Choir whenever it performs
- Recruit new choir members
- Lead and supervise the professional and volunteer music staff
- Direct and work with instrumental soloists and orchestras

- Develop and administer the music budget with approval of the Worship and Music Committee
- Organize and maintain the music library
- Supervise maintenance of the two pipe organs and all pianos
- Schedule and conduct rehearsals for the choir and soloists before worship services, special music programs, funerals, weddings, etc.
- Ideally, maintain organ and piano proficiency to the extent necessary to perform weddings, funerals, and regular worship services as required.

Evaluation: Performance reviews will be conducted periodically (not less than annually) by the Personnel Committee with input from the Pastor and the Worship and Music Committee.

Resumes and cover letters may be submitted to office@firstpresvb.org or mailed to 300 36th St, Virginia Beach, VA 23451.