

Choir Director

St. Matthew United Methodist Church

Job Summary

The Choir Director supports the mission of the church by developing, directing, and nurturing a vibrant adult choir ministry that enhances worship and encourages congregational engagement. This is done in consultation with the Senior Pastor. The Adult choir is an integral part of the worship and ministry life of St. Matthew United Methodist Church. Through music, choir members offer praise and adoration to God while creating opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and participation in the life of the church.

Position Requirements

1. Demonstrate a personal Christian faith and the ability to express that faith through music ministry.
2. Possess knowledge and appreciation of various musical styles, including traditional hymns, choral literature, gospel music, and contemporary worship music.
3. Have an understanding of the Christian liturgical calendar and seasonal worship themes.
4. Demonstrate leadership skills in directing and motivating a volunteer choir.
5. Exhibit strong organizational, communication, and interpersonal skills.
6. Be energetic, encouraging, and open to new ideas and creative approaches to worship.
7. Ability to play piano, organ, or another musical instrument is preferred but not required.
8. Ability to read music and teach vocal parts effectively.

Job Responsibilities

1. Commit approximately six-eight (6-8) hours per week, including Sunday morning worship services, rehearsals, and planning activities.
2. Work collaboratively with Worship Design Team in selecting and preparing music that supports weekly worship themes, seasonal services, and special events.
3. Schedule, organize, and direct regular choir rehearsals.
4. Prepare and distribute music, rehearsal materials, and other resources needed by choir members.
5. Recruit, welcome, and encourage participation from new choir members.
6. Foster a positive, supportive, and spiritually enriching environment for choir participants.
7. Coordinate with the Senior Pastor and Worship Design Team when new music, arrangements, or special musical presentations are desired.
8. Direct choir participation in worship services, seasonal celebrations, cantatas, and other special church events.
9. Maintain and organize choir resources, including music libraries, folders, robes, and other choir equipment and supplies.

10. Encourage musical excellence while maintaining a spirit of worship, fellowship, and service.
11. Support the overall mission, vision, and ministry goals of St. Matthew United Methodist Church through the choir ministry.

Reporting Responsibilities

1. The Choir Director shall be employed by St. Matthew United Methodist Church and be responsible to the Senior Pastor.
2. The Choir Director shall attend regular staff meetings and worship planning meetings as requested.

Desired Qualities

- A heart for ministry and discipleship through music.
- Enthusiasm for working with volunteers of varying musical abilities.
- Strong relationship-building skills.
- Dependability, flexibility, and a collaborative spirit.
- A commitment to creating meaningful worship experiences that glorify God and inspire the congregation.