Director of Music

Summary of Position

The Director of Music leads the Sunday morning music worship and other special services; plans and coordinates music with the Pastor's message; and, leads musical groups, including weekly rehearsals.

Church Spiritual Music Leader

As the spiritual music leader of the Church, and working closely with the Pastor, staff, and lay leaders, the Director of Music is expected to develop a well-rounded music ministry program for worship services and special events.

Supervision

General Supervision is provided by the Lead Pastor; responsibilities include the supervision of assigned music staff.

Examples of Duties

The following duties are considered essential for the Director of Music position:

- In consultation with the Pastor coordinate worship music with the message.
- Submit music titles for weekly Order of Worship to the church office in a timely manner.
- Conduct the Sunday morning choir, weekly choir rehearsals, special programs and other services as requested.
- Schedule soloists/ensembles for summer and special music.
- Provide music for special seasonal services and possible concerts such as Lent and Advent.
- Make selections of music and preparations for a Christmas concert.
- Encourage church members' participation in the music ministry program by developing alternative music group(s). These performance groups include vocal and instrumental ensembles (ie, Bell Choir).
- Ensure that the Church's music library is organized and maintained.
- Ensure music and music supplies are purchased and available for use.
- Attend worship planning meetings.
- Supervise assigned music staff and volunteer musicians
- Manage and ensure the Church's compliance with music copyright compliance, license requirements and reporting
- Prepare templates in "Planning Center" program for worship order and worship slides
- Oversee the Church's volunteer Tech Team, ensuring scheduled coverage for all required services.

Examples of Duties listed above do not cover all duties that may be assigned.

Qualifications

- Have a personal faith in Jesus Christ and knowledge of the Bible.
- Fully embrace and support the vision and values of First United Methodist Church, Santa Rosa.

Knowledge of:

• Music selections available for worship.

Ability to:

- Effectively produce, organize, lead, and direct a well-rounded music program for Sunday morning worship and other special services.
- Plan and coordinate music with the Pastor's message.

- Lead with enthusiasm, a sense of humor, and a positive attitude.
- Work with others in a tactful, courteous, sensitive, and collaborative manner.
- Supervise, train and evaluate assigned music staff.
- Successfully pass a background check in accordance with the Church's Abuse Prevention Policy.

Skills:

- Proficient piano skills
- Skill to effectively communicate verbally and in writing.
- Skill to listen and understand others.
- Skill to understand and teach basic principles of good vocal technique.

Education and Experience:

Any combination equivalent to experience and education likely to provide the required knowledge and abilities would be qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Education

A Bachelor's Degree in music or closely-related field is preferred.

Experience

Five years of experience conducting choirs.

License:

Possession of a valid California Class C Driver License.

Working Conditions

Most all work is performed indoors and involves leading and directing others in a music program.

Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this position, the employee will be required to occasionally lift and move up to twenty-five pounds.

FLSA Coverage: Exempt (Part-time)

Employee is expected to work twenty (20) hours per week

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