

JOB POSTING – DIRECTOR OF MUSIC at ST PAUL’S BROCKVILLE

Overview

St Paul’s Anglican Church in Brockville is looking for a Director of Music to nurture the spiritual life of the congregation through music. This includes leading, organizing, and developing our congregation’s worship experience by providing appropriate instrumental and choral support at regular Sunday services as well as other special services and events. This position requires a commitment of approximately 6 hours per week.

Our approach to hiring

Our Director of Music Search Team is open to considering a diverse slate of prospective candidates for this ministry. You might be a high school or college student, a local music teacher, a graduate of a college or university music program, or a retiree who is looking to share your gifts.

What are we looking for

St Paul’s Anglican Church is looking for someone who

- believes that music leadership is ministry – that it is a powerful means for building a community of belonging that is welcoming, diverse, inclusive, and empowered by faith, hope, and love;
- brings a spirit of collaboration, flexibility, and creativity to the work of blending a variety of musical traditions within the life of the congregation; and
- leads and/or organizes other music leaders to provide musical worship throughout the year (Sunday services; Christmas, Lent, Holy Week and Easter services; funerals and weddings).

Who we are

St Paul’s Church is an Anglican congregation in the heart of downtown Brockville. We are dedicated to following Jesus through worship and prayer, as well as through service to the community around us, and a commitment to the work of justice. Our music program is vibrant, appreciated, and well supported. The Music Ministry Team includes a variety of instrumental musicians, a well-established choir, and a sound technician who operates our state of the art sound system. Our music library is extensive and grows each year with an approved budget for new music. The worship band is versatile, and easy to work with. The congregation is filled with bold singers who love hymns of all kinds, from traditional to contemporary.

Interested?

If this ministry position interests you, please see the next page to learn how to apply. We’ve included a general job description outlining the typical responsibilities, skills, and qualifications of this position. Please note that some of the skills and qualifications are assets but *not* mandatory.

How to apply

Please apply with a resume and a cover letter that describes how your experience and skills relate to what we are looking for. Please address your resume and cover letter to:

Director of Music Search Team
c/o The Rev. Canon W. Lynn Dillabough
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Typical Job Description: Director of Music, St Paul's Church

Accountability

The Director of Music will be hired by the Wardens of the church, in consultation with the Rector and the Search Team. The Director of Music reports to the Rector and works closely with clergy, church band, church choir, sound technician, and other volunteer musicians.

Responsibilities

The Music Director will:

- nurture the spiritual life of the congregation through music
- lead and organize the music ministry team for Sunday services throughout the year
- lead regular rehearsals of the church choir and church band in preparation for weekly Sunday services
- lead or organize the musical leadership at additional services (Christmas, Easter, weddings, funerals, etc.)
- plan for a continuing ministry of music during the summer months (often soloists or guest musicians)
- select and prepare music for worship that includes various genres of worship music (traditional, contemporary, choral and instrumental)
- contribute to the creation and oversight of an annual music budget
- collaborate with various musicians in the wider Brockville community using our building, equipment, instruments, and the voices entrusted to this ministry

Skills and Qualifications

Musicianship

- proficient piano level, with an ability to provide solo material as well as accompaniment for soloists, choirs, and other musicians

- congregational music leadership experience
- skills and experience in choral teaching, conducting, and voice development for a choir in which not everyone reads music
- have an understanding of electronics, specifically piano and sound equipment
- an appreciation for how music integrates and enhances Christian worship in the liturgies of the Anglican Church of Canada is an asset
- a Bachelor of Music or equivalent is an asset

Leadership and Communication

- a desire to help communities grow in faith through music
- an ability to commit to teamwork and embrace collaboration
- good time management and personal organizational abilities
- excellent communication skills that are used to build people up through listening, encouragement, and teaching