



# Good Shepherd

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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### **Good Shepherd Black Sheep Men's Choir Director**

#### **BACKGROUND**

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church is located in the southern Denver Metropolitan Region. The Parish has several choirs including a men's choir named Black Sheep. COVID-19 severely impacted us. We ceased rehearsing and performing in early 2020 after learning the dangers of organized choral activities for contracting the virus. Our previous director moved to the East Coast shortly after the onset of COVID. With COVID restrictions relaxing we now need a new director for our volunteer Black Sheep Men's Choir. Our choir comprises about 22 adult voices, including several female singers to round out our Tenor I section. Our membership has appealed mainly to people that are retired, are close to retirement, or just want to use their singing talents for spiritual and fellowship reasons. We average over 60 years of age. The majority of us have been active in church choirs in the past. Parishioners have often complimented us on our performances. Without a suitable director we estimate that this ministry will wilt on the vine.

#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Feedback from our singers and parishioners shows that we need a mature director with extensive background in conducting singers with varying musical backgrounds. Experience in leading Episcopal or similar Christian church choirs is desirable. The position reports to Fr. Gary Brower, Rector of Good Shepherd Parish. We would sing monthly, except during 3 summer months, during Sunday Mass and at special occasions. Our library contains over 140 titles. We maintain a Top 20 list of classical spiritual and American TTBB sheet music. The list gets updated annually. We would like to fill this position as soon as possible.

This position will demand about 150 hours of work per year. Hourly rate is \$20/hour. We have weekly rehearsals of 1.5 hours and perform during Sunday Mass monthly and at special occasions. We have asked the Vestry to restore the budget for this leadership position and approve an annual budget of \$3,000. Designated funds are expected to finance the position in the interim period.

We look forward to hearing from potential candidates. Please contact Fr. Gary Brower for additional details.

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