**Director of Music Ministries, Part-Time**

Messiah Community Church, ELCA, a welcoming faith community for people of all ages, seeks a Part-Time Music Director to coordinate the musical components of our worship service, lead musical ensembles (bell and voice choirs, with the possibility for a children’s choir). Music is an essential component of Lutheran worship, and the Music Director is integral to that. We believe music, traditional and new and global, helps guide our spiritual life.

The ideal candidate will have experience with church / sacred music and choirs (experience in the Lutheran tradition a bonus), think creatively, have strong interpersonal skills, and be able to accompany if necessary.

**Responsibilities**

* Schedule and direct rehearsals and performances
* Select choir music for worship services
* Rehearse worship hymns with vocal choir so they are prepared to support congregational singing each week
* Coordinate all special music events as are appropriate for seasons and church holidays
* Select and coordinate guest musicians
* Order and catalog choral music within allotted budget
* Meet with the Worship Committee as needed
* Assist the pastor and Worship Committee in selecting congregational music including psalms, hymns, and liturgical settings
* Assist in obtaining substitutes Choir Director/ Accompanist in planned absences
* Provide leadership to congregation and church leaders by suggesting musical aspects to ministries and programs, if appropriate
* Reports to: Pastor

**\*Worship events and rehearsals include:**

* **9 months of worship + choir rehearsals**
* **Coordinating special music during three months of summer / no choir rehearsals**
* **Extra services: Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week**

**This position requires approximately 10 hours/week (quarter-time position).**

**Salary is $15,000-$17,000 / year.**