

# **Director of Music**

## **Hope Lutheran Church**

Hope Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Missouri is looking for an energetic candidate with a background in directing a choral group with varied talents. This part time position will assist the Pastor in enhancing worship through music.

### **Key Position Responsibilities:**

- Work with the Pastor and Worship team to plan, coordinate, and carry out the music ministry
- Organize and direct the Voices of Hope (adult choir) and Bells of Hope (adult hand bell ensemble)
- Choose appropriate repertoire for the Voices and Bells of Hope
- Determine and publish the rehearsal and performance schedules of the Voices and Bells of Hope
- Provide a schedule of special music to the Pastor and Administrative Assistant
- Prepare and play music for Sunday worship services (currently 8:30a and 10:45a), Wednesday evening services during Lent and Holy Week, (Maundy Thursday and Good Friday), and other holiday worship services as scheduled (Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day)
- Prepare the Voices of Hope for weekly worship; members should be familiar with hymns and changes in liturgy
- Accompany the Praise Band during rehearsals and worship as needed
- Schedule choir members to act as Cantors for Sunday morning services
- Arrange for outside musicians to supplement and enhance worship within budget constraints
- Maintain the church's music library
- Recruit members of the congregation to provide vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles for worship
- Play as needed for weddings and funerals; additional fees from families to compensate
- Find a substitute when not able to be present at rehearsal or worship
- Be open to starting additional choir or ensemble if interest is present
- Be open to collaboration with other choirs or groups in the community

### **Qualifications:**

- Proficiency in directing vocal and instrumental ensembles
- Strong leadership and interpersonal skills
- Promptness; need to arrive 30 minutes prior to start of services
- Knowledge of liturgy and worship elements
- Creativity in planning worship
- Maintain a kind, non-anxious presence conducive to a positive worship experience

### **Education and Experience**

- Bachelor's or master's degree in music
- Teaching experience at a private studio, high school, or college
- Directing/conducting experience
- Ability to play digital keyboard to accompany choir and congregational singing and to work with instrumentalists

Salary: \$14,000 - \$18,000/ year | Background check and complete application form will be required.

Submit resumes and contact information to: [ApplicationToHope@gmail.com](mailto:ApplicationToHope@gmail.com)

If you have specific questions, please contact Nancy Luedloff at 314.550.5979