

Choir Director

Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Hibbing is seeking a Choir Director to lead our senior choir (referred to as the Temple Choir) and work as part of a team to enhance the overall musical experience in our worship.

Work responsibilities

- Prepare and communicate the musical program for the Temple Choir each year, selecting music that fits with the overall theme of the worship service and the abilities of the volunteer singers.
- Provide a positive, welcoming environment in which the choir members can grow in their musical talents, contribute to the musical experience of the church, and enhance their faith lives through musical expression.
- Direct the weekly rehearsals of the Temple Choir and the choral singing in worship services and other special programs.
- Coordinate with the congregation's organist/choir accompanist on selections and programming, with adequate notice for the accompanist to prepare in advance of rehearsals and worship services.
- Coordinate with the pastor and church office to assure that musical plans are coordinated and appropriately reflected in worship bulletins and other communication avenues.
- Take responsibility for the choir's preparedness, sound, and delivery.
- Serve on the Worship & Music committee, to coordinate the choral components of the overall worship experience and assist with congregational hymn selection.
- Work with the pastor and Worship & Music committee to establish and work toward longer term goals for musical programming.
- Recruit and welcome additional members to the choir, with assistance from other members.
- Coordinate the purchase of necessary music and supplies for the choir program, in coordination with the budget oversight of the Worship & Music committee.
- Perform the duties in a coordinated and cooperative manner with the Pastor, organist, choir, and congregation members.
- Abide by copyright laws in use and distribution of music.

Time frame

This is a 10-month per year position (August through May). It includes weekly choir rehearsals (Wednesday evenings) beginning in late August and leading the choir in singing approximately two Sundays per month, with additional services during special seasons of the church year (e.g. Christmas and Holy Week).

We estimate that the position is an average commitment of 8-15 hours per week.

Qualifications

- Skilled choral leader with strong directing ability
- Significant amount of formal training and experience leading singing in a worship setting.
- Ability to effectively lead the choir, select music, and teach vocal technique to volunteer musicians with varied levels of ability and experience.
- Basic piano skills

- Interest in selecting and using a variety of musical styles, including contemporary and traditional music appropriate for a Lutheran congregation.
- Willingness to serve as a spiritual leader for the choir
- Proactive, communicative working style

To apply

Please indicate your interest by submitting your resume to:

Personnel Committee

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