

Music Associate, Youth and Children's Music

Part Time, Salaried

St. Matthews United Methodist Church in Louisville, KY is seeking a part-time Director of Youth and Children's Music to supervise the church's choirs for youth and children. This person will oversee the music program for our student ministries, collaborate with the pastors and other staff to ensure the music program is aligned with the church's mission and vision, and help plan ministries to best serve the worship needs of the congregation. Please submit resumes or any inquiries at: jobs@saintmatthewsumc.org. Job Description Attached:

St. Matthew United Methodist Church

Position: Music Associate, Youth and Children

Our mission is to strengthen Christian faith and service through our ministries, worship, and programs, calling all people to seek God, share the Gospel, and serve their neighbors.

Primary Role:

Leads the Youth and Children's Choirs in conducting and leading performances, schedules and leads rehearsals to best serve the worship needs of the congregation.

Expected hours of work per week: 15

Other Responsibilities:

- Lead and coordinate the music ministry for students, encompassing both the Browns Lane and River City campuses of the Church.
- Plan, organize, and lead weekly rehearsals, ensuring that they align with the overall vision and mission of the church.
- Select appropriate musical repertoire, including contemporary Christian songs, hymns, and other worship music suitable for students.
- Direct and conduct choirs, bands, and other ensembles nurturing the musical talents of the students and encouraging their active participation.
- Recruit, train, and support Browns Lane and River City student musicians and vocalists, providing guidance and mentorship in their musical development.
- Collaborate with the senior pastor, associate pastors, and other staff members to integrate music into the overall worship experience, ensuring a seamless and cohesive service.
- Coordinate with the church's sound and media teams to ensure high-quality audio-visual support for the student worship services and events.
- Assist in organizing and leading special events and programs related to student ministry.
- 3 plus performances per semester at traditional worship services.

- In addition, 2 performances outside of traditional worship services per semester.
- Cultivate a welcoming and inclusive environment for children and youth in the congregation, fostering their spiritual growth, and promoting their active involvement in the music ministry.
- Stay informed about current trends and developments in music ministry, incorporating innovative ideas and approaches to engage students in worship.

Qualifications:

- A deep personal faith in Jesus Christ and a commitment to the teachings and principles of the United Methodist Church.
- A Bachelor's degree in music education or music performance is a plus.
- Five plus years of experience in leading music ministries for students may be considered in lieu of a degree.
- Demonstrated musical proficiency and experience in conducting choirs, and/or directing bands, ensembles.
- Knowledge and understanding of contemporary Christian music, traditional hymns, and other worship music suitable for children and youth.
- Strong organizational and leadership skills, with the ability to manage multiple tasks and responsibilities simultaneously.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to collaborate effectively with others.
- Proficiency in using relevant technology, such as audio-visual equipment, sound systems, and music editing software.
- A heart for ministry and a passion for nurturing the spiritual development of youth and children through music.