Friendship United Methodist Church Bolingbrook, IL Job Opening: Music Director

PRIMARY FUNCTION: The Director of Traditional and Contemporary Music Ministry will ensure that all music service component are present; choose, prepare, and provide traditional and contemporary music for worship services in consultation with the Pastor; and will direct music teams, the Chancel Choir and the Praise Band. The scope of responsibilities for this position includes working collaboratively with the pianist/organist, Friendship Praise Band, other musicians, plus communication and music administrative activities. For a candidate with the ideal skill set, this position may be combined with our piano/organ/accompanist position, which is currently vacant.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Coordinating schedule of worship music
- 2. Providing leadership for the Chancel Choir and the Praise Band conducting regular rehearsals
- 3. Overseeing music program of the church
- 4. Procuring special occasion musical soloists as appropriate
- 5. Making provisions for substitute musicians
- 6. Working with the Worship Committee in arranging for maintenance of the church's pianos, and working with choir members in maintaining the music library.
- 7. Participation in worship planning with the Worship Committee
- 8. Adhering to approved music related budget
- 9. Select and purchase appropriate liturgical and contemporary Christian music
- 10. Attend staff meetings

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Degree in music or related experience.
- 2. Ability to direct choir music that will enhance worship.
- 3. Knowledge of music literature appropriate for choir.
- 4. Background and leadership capability with contemporary praise music.
- 5. Ability to effectively and efficiently communicate with other musicians as well as church staff.
- 6. Excellent organizational skills.
- 7. Ability to direct our hand bell choir is a plus.

This is a part-time year-round position. The Chancel Choir currently rehearses on Wednesday evenings and prior to the Sunday Worship service. The Praise Band rehearses on Sunday mornings, and special rehearsals.

SALARY: Negotiable and commensurate with skills, education and experience.

Interested Applicants may submit resume by mail or email:

Friendship United Methodist Church Attention: Staff-Parish Relations Committee 305 E. Boughton Road, Bolingbrook, IL 60440

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