**Job Description for Director of Music/Organist at**

**Flemington Presbyterian Church, Flemington, NJ**

**To begin July 1, 2024**

Position:

Flemington Presbyterian Church is seeking a Director of Music/Organist to work creatively with the Pastor, the Associate Director of Music and Worship Committee to ensure synergistic musical support for worship service themes and to carry forward our rich musical heritage while embracing evolving styles of choral, organ, handbell, instrument, and youth worship music.

**Ideal Candidate:**

* + Accomplished organist who is excited to play and care for our fine and well-maintained Austin all-pipe organ with 3 manuals, 4 divisions, and 39 ranks.
	+ Discerning choir director with skills to evoke good sound from an all-volunteer choir, with patience and uplifting attitude.
	+ Well-rounded musician with deep knowledge and capability in traditional/classical church repertoire, as well as appreciation for, and working familiarity with jazz/rock/folk/gospel styles of worship music in choral, handbell, small ensemble (e.g., band), and similar contexts.
	+ Excellent reliable organizer, recruiter, and communicator, who enjoys working collaboratively.

**Responsibilities:**

* + Plan, organize, and direct our choral music program, which comprises:
		- Chancel Choir, Youth Choir (currently inactive), and children’s choir
		- Adult, youth, and children’s Handbell Choirs (led by Associate Director) featuring 5 octaves of Malmark handbells and chimes
		- Volunteer soloists and ensembles
		- FPC Band (contemporary ensemble)
	+ Play organ (or piano, as occasionally appropriate) for services
		- Weekly Services
		- Special Services, e.g., Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Christmas Eve, Weddings and funerals
	+ Direct Chancel Choir in:
		- Weekly rehearsals and services (light schedule during summer)
		- One or two major works per year
		- Special service music, e.g., Tenebrae service
* Hire professional musicians to supplement special services or major works.
* Coordinate music choices with Pastor, Worship Committee, and Associate Director.
* Maintain the music library, including purchasing/licensing of printed or digital repertoire.
* Practice sufficiently for optimum performance at the organ.

**Accountability:** To Senior Pastor through Worship Committee

**Compensation:** commensurate with education and experience. ($25,000 - $35,000/year); 20-hour work week

*(Pension/benefit information available through PCUSA)*

Please reply to mdsearch@flemingtonpres.org with cover letter, resume, 2 letters of recommendation, and other pertinent documents (i.e., professional certification and/or degree(s), videos, etc.)

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