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Position opening

Director of Children's Music

Bethany Lutheran Church, Crystal Lake, IL

Bethany Lutheran Church is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA) and a warm and open community with a deep appreciation for music and arts. We are a service-oriented congregation committed to being a good Crystal Lake community neighbor, and have a flexible and supportive work environment.

Compensation and Benefits

Part-time; salaried position (approx. 15hrs per week)

Compensation: \$19,500 (annually)

Vacation: Two (2) weeks (negotiable)

Job Description

Working in collaboration with the Director of Worship and Music, the Director of Children's Music will carry out the following functions:

- Revive and direct a children's choir
- Lead annual Children's Christmas Program (seasonal evening and/or Sunday morning rehearsals)
- Lead annual summer Musical Theatre production (one (1) week intensive camp)
- Assist the Director of Children and Family Ministries with music activities for annual Vacation Bible School (VBS) (one (1) week)
- Liaise with parents of young children to recruit for all of the children's music programs
- Recruit youth to revitalize youth involvement in worship music

Other duties:

- Serve as accompanist for adult choir (negotiable, depending on skill set)
- Assist Director of Worship and Music in other music program-related tasks.

Time onsite

During a regular week, the Director of Children's Music would be needed onsite for one (1) evening rehearsal, two (2) Sunday services, and a rehearsal between services. There may also be periodic meetings in the evenings and/or on Sundays (morning/early afternoon).

Please note: This schedule and job description is only to serve as an example and could change depending on needs of the church and the skills of the Director of Children's Music.

Skills and Qualifications

Required qualifications: Undergraduate degree in music (or 3–5 years' experience leading a children's choir)

Preferred qualifications: Undergraduate degree in music education; advanced keyboard skills (able to sightread or quickly learn accompaniments and choral parts, ability to read open score); experience conducting; Spanish proficiency.

Required Experience

Experience leading a children's choir

Preferred Experience

Experience working in a church environment

How to apply

Please send a current resume and a video of a recent musical performance to Aaron Knodle (aaron.knodle@bethanylc.com), Director of Worship and Music at Bethany Lutheran Church.

If you have any questions about the position, please feel free to email Aaron Knodle at aaron.knodle@bethanylc.com.

Bethany Lutheran Church does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, or marital, veteran, or disability status. Please, let us know if there are any accommodations we can provide for you.

Please keep in mind: Research has shown that candidates from underrepresented backgrounds only apply to jobs when they meet 100% of the requirements vs. their majority counterparts, which apply at a much higher rate if they meet 50-60% of the requirements. So, with that being said, if you are interested in this role, and feel you would be a good fit, we would love to hear from you.

Application timeline

This position is open until filled.

For primary consideration, please submit materials by **June 15, 2023**.