

## Position Description: Music Director

Grace Episcopal Church, a vibrant community on Bainbridge Island, Wash., seeks a Music Director to begin in early 2019. The Music Director works under the supervision of the Rector to provide leadership for Grace's Music Circle during Sunday worship and leads Grace's weekly children's music program, Kids Sing. The Music Circle at Grace is a group of vocalists and instrumentalists spanning ages and ability levels. The culture in the Music Circle allows for sacred and secular music, with the flexibility, openness, and encouragement to receive the gifts of all.

## Expectations

The Music Director will:

- **Serve** in ministry of collaboration and service at Grace Church.
- **Direct Grace's Music Circle**, which currently meets on Wednesday evenings. Lead and collaborate with a diverse group of about 30 musicians, including accomplished and novice vocalists and instrumentalists; coordinate solo and ensemble offerings, including by youth musicians; recruit and nurture participation in the Music Circle.
- **Develop and carry out the music program for the Sunday Liturgy**, setting up the Music Circle and leading music during Sunday worship at 8 am and 9:30 am. Provide lead instrumental accompaniment to all music; facilitate children's musical offerings on at least one Sunday each month; encourage congregational participation in music; and offer hospitality to those present at Grace on Sunday morning.
- **Collaborate with the Rector to select music** for parish worship and for occasional special services, drawing from both traditional hymnody and contemporary musical offerings from Grace's archive. Be familiar with a wide variety of musical genres, or show willingness to gain capacity for leading music in diverse genres.
- **Facilitate Kids Sing**, the Grace children's music program, one afternoon each week.
- **Attend** weekly staff meetings at Grace Church and collaborate with staff members.

## Qualifications

We seek candidates with:

- Professional musical training and familiarity with a range of musical traditions.
- An openness to the gifts of musicians of diverse abilities and ages, and a gift for drawing out new musicians.
- Familiarity with church liturgy, or willingness to learn.
- A commitment to learning and growing in community; flexibility and sense of humor.
- Excellent communication skills.

## Compensation

- This is a part-time position with the expectation of presence on all Sundays and at other special services.
- Salary and benefits are negotiable and commensurate with experience.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and professional references to [wren@gracehere.org](mailto:wren@gracehere.org). For questions, contact the Rev. Wren Blessing, (206) 842-9997.

Grace Church is an equal opportunity employer; consideration will be given to all candidates regardless of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, marital status, medical condition, disability, or genetic information.