



Music Director Position

Emmanuel Anglican Church in Saskatoon is seeking a dynamic music director who shares our vision of creativity, innovation and quality in growing our music program. This is an exciting time for a new music director to help us carry forward the shared gifts and learnings from a fully virtual worship experience as we slowly transition to in-person worship with dreams of returning to enthusiastic congregational and choral singing.

Our Music Ministry Focus

At Emmanuel, our music speaks to our souls! Music is an inspiring way of expressing faith, an essential part of celebrating our Christian life and a means to prayer and reflection.

Music quality and diversity are important to us and, through music, we seek to engage people as active participants in worship. Our experience through the pandemic has allowed us to be innovative and musically creative in a virtual worship environment. We are planning for ways we can continue to use technology tools to connect with people even when we return to in-person worship.

We value a vital choral program and need leadership to continue to challenge and develop talent. Seeking opportunities for greater youth engagement is a priority. We also see music as an effective means for outreach and community building and it plays an integral part of our Arts and Spirit programming at the Refinery. A grand piano and Allen organ are the primary instruments used to lead our worship supplemented by musical offerings from a variety of musicians. Congregational music resources include Common Praise, Gather, More Voices and licenses through CCLI and Onelicense.

As a part of the worship team, the Music Director is responsible for:

- planning and executing music elements of our in-person and virtual Sunday worship
- planning and participation in special events of the liturgical year including Christmas and Easter
- using technology to enhance our music program
- liaising with the community through special community events
- working with choir and special musicians
- weekly rehearsals / recording with choir and musicians
- handling requests for music at weddings and funerals
- managing the music budget

The Candidate

You are the right leader for this role if you are:

- a team player and team builder
- collaborative

- enthusiastic and creative, with varied music interests
- committed to choral work
- innovative and adaptable
- willing to engage and build a shared parish vision
- dedicated to nurturing relationships within the parish and the community
- a strong communicator and teacher
- excited about supporting a diverse and inclusive community
- interested in growing connections with the wider Saskatoon music community

You are qualified for this position if you are:

- a music professional having or pursuing a music degree or equivalent
- a skilled pianist, comfortable with the occasional use of the organ
- competent with baseline technology and willing to develop skills in the use of recording equipment, music-based technology and editing software
- a director with exceptional choral leadership skills
- knowledgeable about sacred music, sources and types
- seeking to grow in your own faith journey, with liturgical knowledge being an asset
- enthusiastic about engaging children and teens in music

You will be working 14 to 18 hours per week and compensation will be paid based on relevant training and experience.

If you would like more information or would like to discuss this position, please contact the Reverend Karen Sandell at karen@emmanuelrefinery.org. Further information about Emmanuel can be found on our website: emmanuelrefinery.org. Please email your resume, references and a cover letter which outlines your expectations for the job and your vision for it to karen@emmanuelrefinery.org by June 25, 2021.