



Rio Terrace Church | A Progressive, Neighbourhood Oriented Church
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Job Posting

Title: Church Musician

Who We Are

Rio Terrace Church is a progressive, neighbourhood oriented church in the Moravian-Christian tradition. In our faith and life together, we seek to be inclusive, affirming the unique gifts of each person. We are considered a “program sized” congregation, which means that we have a staff and volunteer base to offer a wide ranging ministry.

Our church building is located in a west Edmonton neighbourhood called Rio Terrace, and we have been in ministry in this location since 1964. The Moravian Church has been in ministry in Edmonton since 1886, and we continue to work collegially with several other Moravian congregations in the region. The Moravian Church, in its theology, strives to avoid unnecessary doctrine. Rather, we seek to define our faith through a lens of love and service to others.

As we emerge from the pandemic, we are actively seeking to expand our worship and spiritual formation opportunities, to serve a changed and changing society. Our Sunday and holiday services will be “hybrid,” both designed for people in-person, and online. We are also contemplating the addition of services - such as outdoor, nature based gatherings, or midweek “evensong” opportunities - to serve our mission and commitments.

The Role

The Church Musician is first and foremost a worship leader, who acts as the lead accompanist to our choir and congregation. Our music resources include *Voices United*, *More Voices*, *Songs for a Gospel People*, the *Moravian Book of Worship*, and licensing through Onelicense. At present, the primary commitments will be to offer musical leadership to the

Sunday morning service, and to accompany our choir. Anticipated time commitments are approximately 5-7 hours a week during the Fall, Winter, and Spring months, and 2-3 hours a week during the summer months. You will be expected at Sunday morning services, Thursday evening choir practices, and special holiday services, like Christmas Eve (presently three services), Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter. The Church Musician also has “first right of refusal” to offer musical leadership at weddings and funerals at Rio Terrace Church.

Ministry at Rio Terrace Church is collaborative. While the Church Musician reports to the Director of Music, you will work in a team, along with the Pastor, Worship Planning Circle, Choir, and other volunteer worship leaders, as appropriate. You would be welcome to attend the worship planning sessions, and provide input on the direction and leadership of our worship gatherings.

The Church Musician, at a minimum, must be a proficient pianist, with experience accompanying vocalists. Experience on the organ, or a willingness to learn, is appreciated. Other musical skills - such as proficiency in guitar, vocals, sound mixing, etc. - are considered an asset.

Compensation

Negotiable, and commensurate with experience. Salaried or contracted.

How to Apply

Send an expression of interest and/or cover-letter, along with a resume, to Church@RioTerraceChurch.org, with “Church Musician” in the subject line. You may also drop off your application to the Church Office, at 15108 76 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T5R 2Z9.

Please submit your application materials by July 24, 2021. We will contact chosen applicants by July 30 for interviews in mid-August. We can be flexible with the position start, which will be sometime between August 22 - September 26.

Questions, Follow-up, and Non-Discrimination Statement

If you have questions about this role, please contact the Rio Terrace Church office at (780) 487-0211, or church@rioterracechurch.org.

Rio Terrace Church is an equal opportunity employer. We will not discriminate against any employee or job applicant on the basis of race, color, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, disability, veteran's status, or sexual orientation.

While we do not discriminate based on religion or creed, the successful applicant must feel comfortable working in a progressive Christian workplace.