



**Music Director and Accompanist:** The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection in Pleasant Hill, CA is searching for a Music Director and Accompanist to lead the music ministry of the congregation.

Music is essential to the worship and community life at Church of the Resurrection. It binds us together and reflects our diverse experiences of God and each other. We take joy in having a liturgy with a wide range of musical offerings, with a repertoire that includes centuries of Christian practice. We may sing chants from the Gregorian, Orthodox, Taizé and Iona traditions; hymns from the Anglican tradition and beyond; and folk music, spirituals, jazz, summer camp songs, and more. We celebrate our musical inheritance from the past, and we also delight in exploring new music that may nurture those who are yet to join this community.

The ideal candidate would:

- Be a strong piano player and gifted accompanist; a competent organist is preferred but not required
- Have experience and passion as a choral director, be a confident singer, and be eager to teach and support singers of all ages and skill levels in making beautiful music together
- Be highly proficient in reading music and writing musical notation, be comfortable using music technology like Sibelius
- Feel inspired about reinvigorating and growing a choir
- Bring experience managing a music program at a liturgical church (preferably Episcopal), and have an understanding of the role of music in the liturgical calendar and lectionary
- Have demonstrated people skills, and be able to work comfortably with a wide range of musical styles and musicians with a range of abilities, preferably with experience involving youth in music ministry
- Guide musicians and others in their Christian faith, leading the choir as a pastoral ministry: be comfortable leading spiritual reflections and prayers as part of rehearsals
- Provide and maintain a creative environment that encourages participation and builds up musicians, the music program, and the wider congregation's involvement in music
- Be comfortable using technology to support ministry in the age of Covid, meeting on Zoom as necessary, creating digital recordings of music, and supporting the livestream on Sunday mornings
- Appreciate working on a team and value collaboration, both with staff and volunteers; and be able to work together with great flexibility and good humor
- Other duties as assigned, in particular around holidays and special events

Above all, we are looking for someone who will be a great fit with our community, be ready to grow into the position, and who will share in the joy of making music in worship together with us.

Compensation starts at \$40K annually, dependent on experience. Average weekly commitment is 20 hours, to be spent planning music, practicing, preparing for Thursday evening choir rehearsals, leading at the 10:15 am Sunday service, and developing programs in collaboration with staff and volunteers. Exempt position, pro-rated vacation and pension. Reports to the rector.

Church of the Resurrection celebrates diversity, respects the dignity of every human being, and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion (except as noted above), gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status.

### **Application**

We are accepting applications during the month of September, or until filled. Applicants should send a resume, cover letter, and three professional and/or ministerial references by either email or postal mail to: The Rev. Liz Tichenor, [liz@resurrectionph.org](mailto:liz@resurrectionph.org) or Church of the Resurrection, attn: The Rev. Liz Tichenor, 399 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.