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Director of Music Position

New Vision is a small progressive Christian congregation in need of a part-time creative music director/pianist for Sunday services. We are seeking a proficient pianist, with experience leading and directing congregational singing, and committed to recruiting and rehearsing musicians for special services.

Responsibilities:

- I. Pianist for weekly 10:00 a.m. Sunday service
 - Proficiency on piano is required. Ability to play guitar or other instrument(s) for congregational accompaniment would be a welcome bonus.
 - Select and prepare preludes, offertories, postludes and other service music in collaboration with the pastor to support the sermon theme.
 - Accompany ensembles, vocalists, instrumentalists and other musicians for occasional services.
 - Learn and implement the many features of the church's Yamaha Transacoustic Grand piano.
 - Incorporate many genres of music in the worship services: sacred, secular, classical, contemporary, jazz, popular, folk, and traditional.
 - Select alternate musicians or find substitutes to plan and play the service music on Sundays when Music Director is away.

- II. Lead congregational singing
 - In collaboration with the pastor, choose hymns and songs of accessible vocal range that encourage enthusiastic singing.
 - When possible, use music with lyrics that are inclusive and reflect progressive theology. Be open to altering lyrics when appropriate.
- III. Other tasks
 - In collaboration with the pastor, develop musical presentations for Sunday services that are coordinated with sermon themes.
 - Recruit professional and non-professional musicians (instrumentalists, vocalists, and possible song leaders) for occasional services.
 - Secure copyright permissions and music licensing as appropriate.
 - Provide input to church treasurer regarding music budgetary needs (such as payment for professional musicians, music library acquisitions, licenses/royalties, music supplies and equipment).

This position requires a weekly on-site commitment for Sunday services at 10:00 a.m. A further commitment to personal practice time is expected. Additional rehearsal time with special musicians will also be required as needed. Compensation of \$200 will be paid for each Sunday played and annual compensation will be reported on IRS Form 1099. As a part-time position, health insurance, vacation time and other benefits are not included.

Interested applicants should submit a resumé to Brenda C. Kayne at kayne@songsforall.com.

New Vision Mission Statement

Founded on Faith, Rooted in Justice, Focused on Community

Founded on Faith

- We are a United Church of Christ congregation with a commitment to progressive Christian thinking.
- We don't claim to hold the answers to the mystery we call God. We are comfortable with ambiguity and uncertainty as we seek to follow the way of Jesus.
- We read the Bible both metaphorically and historically. As a progressive Christian congregation,
- We are not based on creeds.
- We respect those with no or other faith traditions.
- We have a great concern for the way people treat each other.
- We are interested in communal justice.
- We strive to use inclusive language.

Rooted in Justice

- We reach across lines of faith, race, age, ability, gender, orientation, and identity. We are an inclusive, Open and Affirming congregation.
- We are actively committed to eliminating injustice, bigotry and racism.
- We work toward human rights and equality for all people.
- Our faith leads us to a strong emphasis on social justice, care for poor and oppressed people and environmental stewardship of the earth.

Focused on Community

- As a congregation in the United Church of Christ, we practice extravagant welcome. We welcome all who come through our doors to explore the many ways God is still speaking and acting in our world.
- We are called as followers of Jesus to serve those in our community.
- Our church is committed to using our financial resources to support our neighbors in need
- Many of our members volunteer in our community, lending their talents and resources to support social justice initiatives.