

Dixwell Avenue Congregational United Church of Christ

217 Dixwell Avenue, New Haven, CT 06511

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Director of Music leads the church in a music ministry that will inspire and enhance congregational worship and fellowship, engage all age levels in a variety of music experiences and education, and promote music as an important part of meaningful worship and spiritual growth.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Plan:

1. Plan, coordinate and evaluate a comprehensive music program inclusive of all age groups throughout the life of the church under the leadership of the Senior Pastor.
2. Work in consultation with the Senior Pastor to plan the Sunday worship and special services to ensure appropriate congregational and special music that enhances and supports the worship message and experience.
3. Prepare musicians as well as choral and lead vocalists for worship services.

Execute:

4. Lead and direct the congregational music at regular and special worship services.
5. Ensure that the children's and youth choirs and the instrumental groups participate on a regular basis in worship and special services.

Advise:

6. Encourage and recruit members of the congregation of all ages to offer their musical talents to the church, individually and/or in organized music groups.
7. Serve as a resource for church members on music for weddings, funerals, memorial services and special recognitions.
8. Advise on the selection and purchase of all needed music, equipment and supplies according to the music budget and relevant church policies.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must have the ability to play music via piano and organ.
2. Must have the ability to organize and lead Choirs, Ensembles and Band.
3. Must have the ability to choose, arrange, and plan song selections appropriate for Church Services.
4. A willingness to work with an ethical team spirit.
5. Must have training and demonstrated leadership ability in Christian education and music applicable to individuals of all ages. 11. Must be presentable in appearance while working at church or leading services.

6. Must meet regularly with the pastor for planning, reporting and evaluation.
7. Must meet regularly with key leaders of the Music Ministry.

TO APPLY: Submit letter of interest and complete resume to dixwellucc@gmail.com with the subject line **Director of Music**. Early submission encouraged as applications will be accepted until position is filled.