



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH HANOVER

In recognition that all we have are gifts given to us by God, it is the purpose of St. Paul's Episcopal Church to work, pray and give for the spread of God's kingdom.

Organist/Music Director November 01, 2021

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Hanover, Virginia, seeks a part-time, contracted combined role of Organist/Music Director ("Director") for one Sunday service per week, beginning immediately. Additional required services on Christmas Eve (2), Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Easter morning (2), and possible services in special circumstances: funerals, weddings, or special event.

Director will be responsible for partnering with the priest in mission and ministry to lead and develop the music program of the parish. Primary obligations include making music selections (in collaboration with the priest), all worship accompaniment, leading the congregation in the musical elements of worship, and leading one adult choir September – June, including coordinating and conducting their rehearsals. Past(pre-pandemic) choir rehearsals were on Sundays.

St. Paul's is a rural, active, family parish, averaging 100 congregants in attendance each week pre-pandemic, with 75 at the main service, and room for a choir of 15. Organ is a two-manual Allen; piano in parish hall available for rehearsal. In addition to existing choral library, resources include *Episcopal Hymnal (1982); Wonder, Love, and Praise; and Lift Every Voice and Sing II*. Ideal candidates should be familiar with Episcopal liturgical tradition, comfortable with various liturgical styles, and open to adapting to fit the needs of the congregation.

Experience with both the organ and directing an adult choir preferred, but St. Paul's is open to conversation with the right candidate. Compensation begins at \$15,000 per annum, commensurate with experience. Contract allots 8-10 hours per week, with 4 Sundays of paid vacation. Budget for music, supplies, and continuing education is negotiable. Starting date negotiable. For more information about our parish, please visit: <https://www.stpaulshanover.org/>.

Applicants should send a resume and cover letter, including references and links to recordings that highlight organ performance and choral direction, to Sue Selz: admin@stpaulshanover.org.