

## *Position Description*

### **Director of Music**

**First Presbyterian Church, Muscatine, Iowa**

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- Position Objective:** Plan and provide for the music ministry First Presbyterian Church to create Christ-centered worship that enriches the congregation's joy for worshiping and drawing nearer to God.
- Qualifications:** Expertise in church organ and piano; academic training preferred  
Repertoire of classical and contemporary composers' church music  
Familiarity with liturgical worship desired  
Ability to work within a team setting  
Ability to communicate effectively with colleagues and congregational members
- Responsibilities:** Playing the musical portions of the service at all Sunday worship services and all special worship services or celebrations.
- Assist in planning worship services in collaboration with the Pastor and Worship Committee
- Supervise the maintenance of the organ and piano by entrusting that to qualified and trained professionals.
- Consult with families for weddings and funerals.
- Recruit, train, supervise, and direct the Chancel Choir for regular and special services.
- Select choral music; learn or review it; develop musical interpretation.
- Examine new music of many publishers and select materials with suitable texts and appropriate music.
- Conduct choir rehearsals; teach choir and congregation.
- Prepare, learn accompaniment, or work with rehearsal accompanist and appropriate instrumentalists.
- Maintain the music library.
- Pursue additional training, academic credit; private study of organ, piano, or other instruments; composition studies, as desired.
- Attending meetings, conferences and conventions for continuing education.
- Arrange for substitutes during times of absence.

**Desired Characteristics:**

Active Christian faith  
Desire to be in a vibrant church  
Self-motivation  
Team player  
Optimism  
Creativity  
Flexibility

**Reports to:** Pastor

**Hours:** Part-time 10-12 hours per week

**Instruments:** Organ: 1956 Wicks, 2 manual, 27 ranks  
Piano: Yamaha Grand  
Sanctuary offers an excellent acoustical setting