



Associate for Contemporary Music
St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis, MD

Founded in 1692, St. Margaret's Church is a flagship parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, known for its vibrant and diverse music ministry that sets the standard for contemporary music within the Diocese and beyond. The Mission of our Music Ministry is to musically lead, inspire, and transform people in the worship and praise of God. Our current contemporary ensemble Third Sunday Band has led its own diverse musical offerings for the church and wider community, and at present is comprised of several professional and amateur musicians. After many years, our wonderful band founder/director and Associate for Contemporary Music is retiring, and we seek to find a musician who is self-motivated, detail-oriented, efficient, and an organized team player to take the helm of our contemporary musical offerings beginning in September 2024, working alongside our Director of Music and parish contemporary musicians. In addition to possessing strong musical abilities, the ideal candidate will:

- have prior experience working for a church in the same or similar role
- be responsible for all aspects of our music ministry's contemporary music component
- continue a high musical standard that engages and inspires participation from our worshippers
- alongside the Director of Music, utilize various resources to curate all contemporary worship music, which includes both congregational and ensemble/band only music
- professionally and joyfully lead two worship services on the Third Sundays of the month during the program year (September-June), whether as a vocalist, instrumentalist, or both, including annual Celtic and Bluegrass services
- schedule, rehearse, and direct volunteer vocalists and instrumentalists
- be proficient in working with chord charts/lead sheets/lyric sheets etc. and possess the ability to lead or teach others in this area (we currently utilize OnSong and iPads)
- submit materials in a timely and organized manner as determined by the Director of Music, such as repertoire lists and information for communications (website, announcements, e-newsletter, advertisements, etc.)
- maintain an inventory of all musical instruments and equipment
- recruit additional adults and youth alike to participate in our contemporary worship offerings
- possess strong interpersonal skills and a collaborative spirit
- effectively communicate with parish leadership and parishioners
- understand that music is a vehicle for spiritual formation and education
- keep current with contemporary music trends to introduce new music
- pass a criminal background check and satisfy requirements of the Episcopal Church's "Safe Church, Safe Communities" curriculum
- possess musical abilities in various genres (classical, folk, country, blues, jazz, bluegrass, etc.), though not required
- possess a knowledge of traditional Protestant worship, though not required

Compensation: \$12,000/year (September-June), one Sunday per month
Continuing education/professional development funding
On campus rehearsal/teaching space

Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume with three references, and applicable audio/video files to:
Jim Douglas, Director of Music, St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis, MD
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Deadline to apply: March 15, 2024, with interviews to take place April 2024, with an anticipated start date no later than September 3, 2024.