

St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church
28 Miracle Strip PKWY SW
Ft. Walton Beach, FL. 32548

****Job Title: **** - Part-Time Episcopal Choir Director

****Location: **** - St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church, Ft. Walton Beach, FL

****Hours: **** - Part-Time, 15-18 hours per week

****Summary: **** - The Choir Director is responsible for leading and directing the choir in musical performances during church services and special events. This role requires a strong musical background, experience working with choirs, and a deep understanding of Episcopal liturgical music.

****Key Responsibilities: ****

- Direct the choir during weekly rehearsals and Sunday services. Select appropriate musical pieces in collaboration with the clergy to enhance worship.
- Lead and instruct choir members in vocal techniques, music interpretation, and performance skills.
- Coordinate with the clergy and organist to ensure musical selections align with the liturgical calendar and themes of the church.
- Collaborate with other musicians and soloists as needed for special services or events.
- Attend regular meetings with clergy and staff to discuss upcoming music selections and services.
- Participate in continuing education and professional development opportunities to enhance musical and leadership skills.
- Maintain a positive and collaborative relationship with choir members, clergy, staff, and parishioners.
- Recruit singers and hold auditions for choir membership.
- Arrange for Advent and Lenten music series.
- Participate regularly in staff meetings.

****Qualifications: ****

- Bachelor's degree in music or related field preferred. - Experience directing church choirs, particularly in an Episcopal or Anglican tradition, preferred. - Proficiency in conducting and vocal coaching. - Knowledge of Episcopal liturgy and hymnody. - Strong organizational and communication skills. - Ability to work collaboratively with clergy, staff, and volunteers.

****Physical Requirements: **** - Ability to stand, sit, and conduct for extended periods. - Ability to lift and carry music scores and equipment.

****Schedule: **** - This is a part-time position requiring typically 15-18 hours per week, including rehearsals and Sunday services. Additional hours may be required for special services and events.

****Application Process: **** - Interested candidates should submit a resume, cover letter, and list of references to:

The Reverend David Knight, c/o St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church, 28 Miracle Strip PKWY SW, Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548, or via email to rector@stsimons-fw.org.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

******* A candidate with the added ability to serve as organist would be more than welcome to apply. Our organist will retire in September.