

Hope Church (UCC / DoC), Jamaica Plain, Boston MA

Interim Music Director: Sunday Evening Worship

Job Description

In collaboration with the Pastor and the Worship Arts and Music Ministry (WAMM), the Interim Music Director shall:

1. Collaborate with the Pastor and/or service leaders and decide on suitable hymns and/or songs according to the season or liturgical occasion.
2. Function as song leader during worship services leading congregation and band.
3. Collaborate with the band at 4:45pm each Sunday, about selections to ensure interpretation of song style, tempo, key, instrumentation, and to encourage suitable offering/communion songs.
4. Function as choir director, selecting songs, leading choir rehearsals at 5pm each Sunday, and encouraging an accessible and inviting choir ethos.
5. Be available to coach psalmists and encourage choir members and other congregants participation as psalmists.
6. Collaborate with Pastor and WAMM to select seasonal and interstitial music for services, such as the Sung Confession and Celebration.
7. In collaboration with Pastor and WAMM, arrange for occasional anthem and/or special music offering other than choir and regular musicians in service and music leadership for special music occasions.
8. Understand, appreciate, and further develop the form of music specific to Hope Church; as well as the role and importance of music within the overall Hope Church identity and particular worship style.
9. Participate seasonally in long-range worship planning with Pastor and WAMM and, in collaboration with the Pastor, WAMM, and musicians shape the overarching music ministry.
10. As part of overall function, be the liaison between the musicians, Pastor, and WAMM and together ensure the sustenance and growth of a cohesive and well-functioning music ministry that reflects Hope Church's identity while prayerfully looking to its future.
11. Ensure adequate coverage of various responsibilities in the event of leave-taking.
12. The Interim Music Director shall be responsible for working in cooperation with the Pastor and WAMM and report to the Leadership Circle.