

Choir / Music Director (Part-Time)

First Congregational United Church of Christ — 494 E. Main St., Hillsboro, OR 97123

About Us

Hillsboro UCC is an inclusive, progressive, Christian church of the United Church of Christ. We are an ***Open and Affirming, Global Mission, and Immigrant Welcoming Church***.

Which means we are a justice-seeking, LGBTQIA+ affirming, intellectually and spiritually curious congregation that cares deeply about one another, our Hillsboro community, and our world. You can learn more at: www.hillsboro-ucc.org.

We believe music plays a vital role in our individual spiritual lives, and in building relationships within and beyond our faith community.

We are seeking a dedicated **Choir / Music Director** to help shape our music ministry in ways that honor our Christian tradition, reflect our welcoming and inclusive values, and inspire our community for the future.

Role Summary

This is a part-time position: roughly 5-8 hours per week, beginning **January 1, 2026**.

It is a twelve-month position, from September 1 to May 31, averaging 8 hours/week, and from June 1-August 31st, averaging 5 hours/week.

As Choir / Music Director, you will lead Sunday morning worship music (9:30-11:30 am), direct weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals (7-8:30 pm), plan music for special services/holidays (Christmas Eve, Easter, etc.), and collaborate with our pastor, accompanist, and other staff and volunteer musicians to align our congregation's music program with our mission, values, and worship themes.

The position is supervised by the Pastor and supported by the Personnel committee.

Key Responsibilities

- Direct choir and lead music during Sunday morning worship services
- Direct Wednesday evening choir rehearsals

- Coordinate volunteers for our 10-person Choir, Worship Band, and Special Musicians
- Schedule and plan special worship 5-6 times/year (Christmas Eve, Easter, etc.)
- Work with the worship team and Pastor in selecting repertoire and integrating music into weekly worship
- Manage the music library, licensing, and any needed logistical/organizational tasks related to worship music
- Communicate weekly with Pastor and Administrator for the worship bulletin
- Meet monthly with Staff/Volunteers for Music/Worship Planning

Qualifications

- Strong song-leading ability and understanding of choral music
- Proficiency on piano, guitar, or another instrument suitable for worship
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Experience coordinating volunteers and ensembles
- Experience in church music or other worship settings
- Familiarity with progressive Christian values and inclusive communities
- Familiarity with Zoom, Google Docs, Google Sheets, and social media

Compensation & Schedule

- Pay: **\$25-\$33 / hour**, depending on experience
- Benefits: Paid sick time, flexible schedule, flexible unpaid vacation
- Hours: 5-8 per week, Sundays/Wednesdays required on-site in Hillsboro
- Start Date: **January 1, 2026**
- Application Window: Accepting resumes **now**; position open until filled

How to Apply or Learn More

Apply with a resume and short cover letter by emailing: pastor@hillsboro-ucc.org

We are an equal opportunity employer, and strongly encourage applications from LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC musicians, as well as music educators and local music teachers.

For full job description and qualifications, visit www.hillsboro-ucc.org.

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