



ST PAUL'S MEMORIAL CHURCH

at the UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

St. Paul's Memorial Church in Charlottesville, Virginia seeks a full-time Organist and Director of Music.

We are a growing, intergenerational, university-oriented, outreach-and-justice-minded Episcopal parish located directly across the street from the Central Grounds of the University of Virginia. Our 4-manual, 29-rank Skinner organ, opus 597, was built in 1926 for our acoustically superb worship space. The organ has been conscientiously maintained and is in excellent condition. Our enthusiastic volunteer adult choir includes about twenty members and sings at the 10 a.m. service and on holy days. We celebrate three Eucharists every Sunday, with typical attendance around 200 at 10 a.m. The 5:30 p.m. service has a year-round congregation of about twenty, and swells to a student-heavy fifty or sixty during the academic year. We use a piano rather than the organ at 5:30, and sometimes have music led by parishioners, including members of an informal bluegrass band who play from time to time as scheduled. The 8 a.m. service (20-30 people) does not include music except on Easter Day. St. Paul's has been well-served for many years by outstanding part-time university-affiliated musicians. We are excited to take the next step by hiring a full-time Director of Music whose sole focus will be on music ministry at St. Paul's.

Our next Director of Music will

- Work closely and creatively with the rector in liturgical and music planning, and be responsible for all musical aspects of worship at St. Paul's, including weddings, funerals, and guest and substitute musicians.
- Be the primary organist and choir director at the 10 a.m. service.
- Direct the volunteer choir with a positive, optimistic vision for musical growth and the development of clear standards for quality and commitment.
- Develop a music program for children and youth focused on contributing to Sunday worship. Nurture the faith of young choristers while honoring them as worship leaders. Explore possibilities for including the children of non-parishioners by building connections in the community with arts organizations and public schools.
- Be responsible for maintaining excellence in traditional Anglican choral music and hymnody at the 10 a.m. service, while being open to accents from the best of other sacred music traditions.
- Allow room for experimentation with different musical styles and instrumentation at the 5:30 service, while maintaining liturgical and theological authenticity and integrity.
- Develop a musical personality for a brief Wednesday-evening 5:30 service that accompanies programming for children, families, and university students.
- Identify and cultivate opportunities for parishioners and students to participate regularly in worship as singers and instrumentalists, especially at the 5:30 Sunday Eucharist.
- Supervise our part-time Music Associate, capitalizing on his skills as a pianist, vocalist, and conductor, according to the needs of the parish.
- Oversee all use and maintenance of our organ and pianos.

St. Paul's is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We do not discriminate on the basis of a person's race, nationality, gender, age, disability, marital status, or sexual orientation. Please send a C.V. or résumé by August 21, along with a letter that addresses why you think you might be the right person for this position, to the Rev. William Peyton, rector, at office@stpaulsmemorialchurch.org or Musician Search, St. Paul's Memorial Church, 1700 University Ave., Charlottesville, Va. 22903. Recordings will be requested at a later date.