



## Search for Director of Music

**Application Deadline:** June 15, 2021. Early applications are appreciated.

**Location:** 36 Henderson Street, Elora, Ontario, N0B 1S0, Canada

**Contract salary:** Compensation in line with RCCO recommendations; half time for up to 20 hours per week.

**The Church of St. John the Evangelist, Elora invites applications for the position of Director of Music.**

### Music at St. John's

The Church of St. John the Evangelist, Elora is committed to excellence in liturgy in all its services. We follow the Anglican liturgies according to the Book of Common Prayer and the Book of Alternative Services. We are dedicated to an Anglican musical tradition and practice. Such practice includes a strong choral performance, hymnody, Anglican chant, and excellence in organ performance and accompaniment. This standard applies to both volunteer and professional musicians within the parish and, in particular, supports a fully professional choir as a significant contributor to the church's outreach program. Part of this outreach is the cooperative working relationship with the Elora Singers and the Elora Festival, both of which are significant associated organizations of the church.

### Position Description

The Director of Music (DM) is responsible for the music ministry at St. John's and will work in close collaboration with the Rector and Organist to integrate word and music. Together with other music leaders, the DM will organize all regular and special services and occasional performances.

### DM Responsibilities:

- Responsible for inspired programming, rehearsing, and conducting of the fully professional Parish Choir (PC) which represents a significant component of the 11:00 AM services, Lessons and Carols, and Evensongs.
- Lead in outreach elements of the PC as agreed with the Rector and Corporation in accordance with St. John's ministry of music. This choir occasionally performs concerts as well as services in other churches and has a significant recording discography.
- Creatively expand St. John's online presence and viewership through the music program.
- Responsible for recruiting, evaluation of performance, and day-to-day organizational activities for the PC

- Collaborate with the Rector and the Organist/Librarian to review planned activities, performances, and repertoire for the church's various musical seasons.
- Responsible for budget planning and maintenance as determined within the guidelines set by the Corporation.
- Work respectfully at all times to ensure a safe and healthy workplace in accordance with Diocesan policies.
- Connect with parish community/congregation

### **Qualifications and Experience:**

- A graduate degree in music, or undergrad degree with equivalent choral conducting experience.
- Familiarity and understanding of the Anglican liturgy and choral repertoire.
- Piano skills required for leading rehearsals. Ability to play the organ an asset.
- Experience developing online musical programming.
- Experience in recruiting and working with professional singers.
- Ability to create a supportive environment, and inspire musicians to reach their full potential.
- Ability to work as a team member.
- Excellent oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to plan and maintain a budget.
- Administrative excellence, organizational skills, and attention to detail.

### **How to Apply:**

Send the following by e-mail to the Search Committee at [music.stjohnselora@gmail.com](mailto:music.stjohnselora@gmail.com)

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae

We will acknowledge receipt of applications and initially communicate with applicants by e-mail. We will make every effort to respect the confidentiality of all candidates.

Please note: Successful applicants will be contacted for an interview and references will be requested. Further evaluation will be required by successful applicants.