

Title: Director of Music Ministry

Job Type: Part-Time +/- 10 hours/week; One hour of worship/week, possible rehearsals, and occasional special services (Christmas Eve, Lenten Services, Easter Sunrise, Blue Christmas etc.) will be required.

Salary: Up to \$15,000 annually

**General Summary:** McGuire United Methodist Church is seeking a part-time Director of Music to lead our 10:30am worship service and the overall music ministry of our congregation. This person will be responsible for providing and cultivating musical leadership in the area of choral music and other forms of music during Sunday Worship and other seasonal worship opportunities throughout the year. As a committed follower of Jesus, this person will lead people to glorify God and strengthen their faith through a variety of musical opportunities in the life of our congregation.

Additionally, we are seeking a candidate who will help lead us into new possibilities in our music ministry – new styles of worship, new relationships with our children’s ministry and Child Development Center, cultivating new musical leadership within the congregation, and re-establishing relationships with other local United Methodist Churches for seasonal performances.

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Lead the congregation in all congregational singing during our 10:30am worship service
- Select and prepare special music (anthems) and hymns in consultation with the Pastor
- Direct the Choir, which includes weekly rehearsals and special services
- Be present in worship and other ongoing opportunities in the life of McGuire Church
- Be available to staff and church members on a regular basis for collaboration
- Supervise the Accompanist and other hired musicians

**Aspirational Goals:**

- Develop ongoing musical relationships with our Child Development Center
- Develop music ministries within our children and youth ministries
- Work with other local churches to provide our community with collaborative performances
- Coordinate with the Director of Family Ministries and Senior Pastor to help develop monthly “Family Worship Events” that feature new styles of worship for our congregation

**Qualifications:**

- Preferred Bachelor’s degree in music, church music, or other related degree, or equivalent experience
- Experience in leading a choir and/or corporate worship
- Knowledge of traditional and contemporary styles of music and their role in worship
- Be familiar with the liturgical elements of worship within the United Methodist Church
- Have a desire to work with members of the church with all levels of music abilities

**To Apply:**

Send letter of interest (cover letter) and resume with at least three references to Rev. Austin Rinehart ([arinehart@mcguireumc.org](mailto:arinehart@mcguireumc.org)) along with any links to videos of past performances.

### **Who Are We?**

McGuire United Methodist Church is a family-oriented church located in West Monroe, LA. We come from different socio-economic backgrounds. We span all the generations with a significant number of people coming from every age and stage of life. We come from a variety of faith backgrounds and no faith background at all. We are politically diverse with folks from all sides of the spectrum. We have hunters and fisherman, and we have those who don't do either. We are a diverse church, but we have one thing in common, our faith in Jesus Christ. Our mission is to share the love God, revealed in Jesus Christ, with the world. We live out this mission with a particular focus towards young families and children.

Learn more about us by visiting [www.mcguireumc.org](http://www.mcguireumc.org).