

## Join Our Team at Shades Valley Lutheran Church!

### **Position: Director of Music (Part-Time)**

**Location:** 720 Shades Creek Pkwy, Homewood, AL 35209

**Start Date:** January 25, 2026 (negotiable)

Shades Valley Lutheran Church is a fellowship of believers in Homewood, AL. We are a dedicated, supportive, and welcoming church family. SVLC welcomes everyone from the community to join us to worship in a loving and friendly environment. We are seeking a collaborative and passionate Director of Music to enhance our worship and fellowship experience. The right candidate will be able to work with all ages.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

- **Worship Music Leadership:** Enhance the worship experience through liturgy and song as a pianist/organist.
- **Choir Leadership:** Direct the Adult Choir, Children's Choir, and the Bell/Chime Choirs or work cooperatively with others serving in these roles, including weekly rehearsals on Wednesday nights and leading the choir during our 9:30 AM Sunday worship service.
- **Service Music Coordination:** Collaborate with the pastor and worship planning teams to select and prepare music for weekly services, ensuring a cohesive worship experience.
- **Special Services:** Provide musical leadership for special services, including those during Advent, Lent, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and Holy Week.
- **Leadership & Collaboration:** Provide energetic and supportive leadership for our volunteer choirs. Select anthems that align with both the worship setting and the choir's capabilities.
- **Administrative:** Successfully pass a background check and complete training using the "Safe Gatherings" system.

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- **Education:** Bachelor's degree in Music (Preferred)
- **Musical Proficiency:** Strong skills in both organ and piano performance. Comfort with playing liturgical music and hymns is essential. Ability to accompany the choir during rehearsal and worship services.
- **Musical Experience:** Demonstrated ability to perform and direct a wide range of musical styles and instruments.
- **Collaborative Team Member:** Demonstrated ability to work cooperatively in a team environment with strong interpersonal, written, and verbal communication skills with a professional, positive, team-oriented attitude.

## Salary and Benefits:

- **Salary:** \$20,000 - \$25,000 annually, depending on education, skills, and experience.
- **Weddings & Memorials:** You will have the right of first refusal for all weddings and memorial services held at the church.
- **Instruments Available:** You will have access to a Reuter 2 Manual pipe organ, Kawai Upright, Kawai GE-20 baby grand piano, clavinova, and hand-bells.
- **Time Off:** Four Sundays off annually, except during Holy Week & Christmas Services.
- **Professional Development:** Continuing education allowance of up to \$1,000 per year.

## Typical Work Schedule

- Attend weekly Sunday service, seasonal mid-week (Advent and Lent), and special services where piano or organ music is scheduled.
- Attend and lead weekly Choir rehearsals (Wednesday evenings).
- Attend monthly Worship and Music Committee meetings (following Sunday service).
- Attend staff meeting twice monthly.
- Maintain regular communication with Pastor, Secretary, and Worship and Music Committee.

**How to apply:** Please submit a CV/Resume and list of references (no more than 3) to:  
[pastor@shadesvalleylutheran.org](mailto:pastor@shadesvalleylutheran.org)

This job description is an overview of general expectations of this position; it is not intended to be an exhaustive list of duties and is subject to change.