

Everything we do is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ

Choir Director

Hours: Part-Time

Church: Holy Cross is the cathedral church for the Anglican Diocese of the South. We are passionate about worship, sharing the gospel in our local context, and building meaningful community within the church. We have two worship services each Sunday: traditional and contemporary. Both services are actively growing in attendance, currently averaging about 310 combined per Sunday. Every year we are welcoming dozens of new members. The Choir Director will be comfortable leading the choir in an Anglican service (or willing and able to learn) and will have a passion for musical worship and the way that it forms the congregation into Christlikeness.

Position Description: As the Choir Director you will be responsible (under the authority of the Dean) for planning all aspects of the musical portion of the 9:00am worship service and other special services. You will lead and help develop the choir, incorporating new members, etc. You will be responsible for the administrative tasks related to preparing music and ensuring the choir members are ready, equipped, and rehearsed. You will also oversee the organist and any staff singers. (The Choir Director can also serve as the organist if appropriate.)

Essential Responsibilities: As the Choir Director you will:

- Serve weekly in the 9:00am worship service
- Lead weekly choir rehearsal
- Plan music choices to be approved by the Dean
- Oversee "staff singers," filling those roles as appropriate
- Participate in weekly worship planning

Personal Qualifications: The Choir Director will have a deep trust in God, godly character, and a contagious faith. His/her life will be marked by:

- An ever-growing relationship with Jesus Christ
- Faithful prayer (Luke 10:2)
- Humility (Philippians 2:3; Colossians 2:12)
- Ability and desire to learn
- Personal affirmation of our basic beliefs and staff values (see appendix)

Education and Work-Related Experience

• Appropriate music and choir leadership experience

What to Expect: This is a great place to work and worship and grow, and we look forward to having you serve on the team. You'll improve on what you're good at, discover things that you're not good at, and gain insights you hadn't known about yourself. You'll have a team that will cheer you on, support you, and occasionally say just the wrong thing at just the wrong time. We're far from perfect. You'll lead hard conversations that shape you more into the image of Jesus. You'll experience ministry disappointments and yet see God sustain you for this wonderful calling. You'll be part of life's greatest moments that fill you with overwhelming joy, and you'll experience the devastating heartbreak of ministry. You'll be called upon to model reconciliation with those who cause pain. You'll be expected to learn humility—the hard way. You'll lose sleep because of how much you care for hurting people. You'll be loved. You'll be challenged to grow and love Jesus more. You'll leave your time at Holy Cross different than you enter—hopefully, more like Jesus and more committed to lead in his church, and probably with some battle scars. Just being honest...

Compensation: This is a part-time position. Compensation will be commensurate with experience. Salary range available upon request.

Sounds interesting? Here's how to apply: Interested candidates should email the following information to employment@hcanglican.org.

- Resume
- Family information (Please note that we fully affirm and value both godly singleness and godly marriage. We just want to get to know the candidates.)
- Three references, preferably from employers and/or spiritual leaders
- Links to two or three video examples of musical ability and music leadership. (Audio recordings are acceptable if video is not available.)
- A brief answer to the following: "As you explore this position and Holy Cross Cathedral, what is especially appealing to you? What is it that most connects with you and leads you to desire to apply for this position?"

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Appendix:

What We Believe at Holy Cross Cathedral

The following statement is meant to serve as a Confession of Faith for Holy Cross Cathedral. It forms the basic theological and ethical standard for our common life as we serve Jesus Christ as Christians in the 21st Century.

A Common Confession of the Gospel

<u>To The Gospel and the Triune God</u>: We rejoice in the grace of the Triune God, who has forgiven our sins and given us redemption in Jesus Christ. We proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, fully human and fully divine, who became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, lived a life of perfect obedience to his heavenly Father, died on the cross to atone for the sins of the world, and rose bodily in accordance with the Scriptures. God the Holy Spirit draws us to faith in Jesus Christ, through whom alone we are justified and found acceptable by God the Father.

<u>To Christian Obedience</u>: We confess Jesus as the Lord to whom all authority in heaven and earth has been given by the Father. We commit ourselves to follow him and love him above all else and to conform our lives to his example and teaching by the grace of the Holy Spirit.

<u>To Holy Scripture</u>: We believe all Scriptures were "written for our learning" (Romans 15:4; 2 Timothy 3:16), that they are "God's Word written," and that we are to "hear, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them." We commit ourselves to regular Bible study and to preach and teach only that which is in accordance with Holy Scripture.

<u>To Congregational Life</u>: We hold corporate worship, discipleship, sharing, and mission to be interconnected and indispensable aspects of our response to God as he revealed himself to us in Jesus Christ. We are committed to being sacrificially involved in all four aspects of congregational life.

<u>To Mission and Missions</u>: The Risen Lord Jesus commissioned his disciples to preach the gospel and to follow his commandments. The mission of the Church includes both evangelistic proclamation and deeds of love and service. We commit ourselves and our resources to this mission, both locally and to the uttermost parts of the earth. We affirm our particular responsibility to know, love, and serve the Lord in our local settings and contexts. Since the biblical pattern of witness moves from the local to the global, we will endeavor to be well-informed about our local communities and active in church planting, evangelism, service, social justice, and cross-cultural, international mission, with particular concern for the poor and the unreached peoples of the world.

<u>To Historic Faith, Ecumenical Vision</u>: We affirm the Faith of the Anglican Church as it is set forth in the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds and in the classical Prayer Book tradition, including those documents contained in the "Documentary Foundations" section of the 2019 Book of Common Prayer (BCP, p. 766f). We further affirm the principles of the Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral as an expression of the normative authority of Holy Scripture and as a basis for our present unity with brothers and sisters in the Anglican Communion and for the future reunion of all the divided branches of Christ's one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

Contemporary Implications of the Gospel

Christian mission is rooted in unchanging Biblical revelation. At particular times, however, specific challenges to authentic faith and holiness arise which require thoughtful and vigorous response. We therefore speak to the following issues of our time and culture.

For The Uniqueness of Jesus Christ: While religions and philosophies of the world are not without elements

of truth, Jesus Christ alone is the full revelation of God. In and through the Gospel, Jesus judges and corrects all views and doctrines. All persons everywhere need to learn of him, come to know and believe in him, and receive forgiveness and new life in him, as there is no other name given under heaven by which we must be saved (Acts 4:12).

<u>For Church and State</u>: Biblical social commandments and Christian ethical principles are foundational to the wellbeing of every society. Recognizing the call of Christians to be faithful witnesses and a challenging presence in society, we are committed to seek ways to express these commandments and principles in all spheres of life, including the public life of the nation.

<u>For The Sanctity of Life</u>: All human life is a sacred gift from God and is to be protected and defended from conception to natural death. We will uphold the sanctity of life and bring the grace and compassion of Christ to those who face the realities of previous abortion, unwanted pregnancy, and end-of-life illness.

<u>For True Inclusivity</u>: In grateful response to Christ Jesus, in whom there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, we will extend the welcome of the Church to every person, regardless of race, sex, social or economic status, sexual orientation, or past behavior. We will oppose prejudice in ourselves and others and renounce any false notion of inclusivity that denies that all are sinners who need to repent.

For Marriage, Family, And The Single Life: God has instituted marriage to be a lifelong union of one man and one woman, intended for their mutual joy, help, and comfort, and, when it is God's will, for the procreation and nurture of children. Divorce is always contrary to God's original intention, though in a fallen world it is sometimes a tragic reality. The roles of father and mother, exercised in a variety of ways, are God-given and profoundly important since they are the chief providers of moral instruction and godly living. The single life, either by call or by circumstance, is honored by God. It is therefore important for unmarried persons to embrace and be embraced by the Christian family.

<u>For Human Sexuality</u>: Sexuality is inherent in God's creation of every human person in his image as male and female. All Christians are called to chastity: Husbands and wives by exclusive sexual fidelity to one another and single persons by abstinence from sexual intercourse. God intends and enables all people to live within these boundaries through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Adapted from The American Anglican Council's A Place to Stand for Holy Cross Cathedral, Loganville, GA. Affirmed by the Holy Cross Cathedral Leadership Team on February 9, 2004.

Mission of Holy Cross Cathedral: Everything we do is to Lead People into a Growing Relationship with Jesus Christ, through Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Service, and Outreach.

Vision: Our Vision is to share the transforming Word of God to people on the east side of Atlanta in Gwinnett and Walton Counties, to other parts of Georgia, the rest of our nation, and to the remote parts of the world.

Staff Core Values: Holy Cross believes that the effectiveness of its ministry is directly related to the authenticity and depth of faith in Christ demonstrated by each employee. Employees regularly participate in or conduct staff devotional activities. Employees are expected to be prepared to pray with and provide Biblical counsel to those seeking ministry services, as appropriate to the situation. Therefore, in order to fulfill my ministry call as a Holy Cross Cathedral employee, I commit to:

- Have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior
- Maintain a walk with the Lord which includes daily prayer, regular worship, and study of the Holy Scripture

- Lead a life consistent with the Holy Cross Statement of Faith, including personal holiness, chastity*
 (see Statement of Faith) and accountability within the body of Christ at all times
- Be a "team player" willing to submit to spiritual authority as expressed throughout the Scriptures
- Persevere in all activities that pertain to my role at Holy Cross
- Have a servant's heart for those I am called to serve, willingly and wholeheartedly serving them in any and all ways the Holy Spirit empowers me
- Be a faithful ambassador of Christ's love for all people.

As a condition of employment each staff member is asked to pledge faithfulness to these values by signed statement that will be maintained on file in the church office.