

first united methodist church Richardson

Job Title: Director of Student Music

Position Type: Full-Time

Organization: First United Methodist Church Richardson (FUMCR)

Location: Richardson, Texas

Experience Required: 3–5 years

Education Required: Bachelor's degree in music

Travel: Approximately 10%

Role Focus: Church Music Leadership for Youth (ages 12–young adult)

Position Overview

First United Methodist Church Richardson (FUMCR) is seeking a dynamic and engaging Director of Student Music to lead youth in worship through a variety of musical styles. This individual will play a vital role in sharing our [mission, ministries, and values](#) through music leadership, planning, and meaningful relationships.

The ideal candidate is a skilled musician and choral director with a passion for youth ministry and the ability to inspire both spiritual and musical growth. This role works closely with the Music and Youth Ministries to create a cohesive and impactful worship experience.

Key Responsibilities

- Cultivate a welcoming, inclusive, and spiritually enriching youth music program
- Collaborate closely with Music Ministry and Youth Ministry teams
- Direct The Journey Youth Choir (ages 12–18)
- Partner with the Associate Director of Music to plan worship music for the 8:45am Sunday services (August–June)
- Align youth choir programming with the Youth Ministry calendar
- Plan and lead the annual summer choir tour
- Manage the youth choir budget and contribute to fundraising strategy
- Oversee fundraising initiatives (e.g., Dessert Theater, Christmas greenery sales)
- Develop partnerships with local musicians and community choral organizations
- Participate in the adult Chancel Choir (weekly rehearsals, Sunday services, and special events)

Ideal Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Music Education, Choral Conducting, or Music Performance
- 3–5 years of experience directing youth choirs
- Demonstrated ability to recruit, motivate, and develop young musicians
- Excellent organizational and interpersonal skills
- High-level musicianship, including vocal and conducting skills
- Strong rehearsal technique and understanding of adolescent vocal development
- Proficiency in piano
- Knowledge of sacred music literature, including United Methodist traditions
- Experience teaching a variety of musical styles
- Background in musical theater preferred
- Experience in church music leadership preferred

Application Process

Interested candidates should submit the following materials via email to:

Eric Czechowski, Director of Worship & Arts

eric@fumcr.com

Required Materials:

- Professional résumé
- Video submissions (see below)

Video Requirements:

- Conducting a choir in rehearsal, worship, or concert (piece of your choice)
- 3–5 minutes leading a rehearsal demonstrating technique
- Singing a hymn (selection of your choice)