

## Bishop Janes UMC Director of Music Ministries Job Description and Requirements

Bishop Janes United Methodist Church (BJUMC) is an active community of Believers Joyously Unified in Mission with Christ. Our congregation strives to welcome all, to grow closer to God, and to serve the world. We have a rich tradition of high-quality music, blending traditional repertoire with contemporary offerings. We are located in historic downtown Basking Ridge, conveniently nestled in north central New Jersey.

BJUMC's congregation has expressed a strong desire to continue with our tradition of blended music. We currently have a Chancel Choir, Bell Choir, and Praise Choir/Band (guitar and drums). In addition, we hope to re-ignite a children and youth music program in the future. The adult choirs rehearse on Wednesday evening with supplemental rehearsals on Sunday morning before worship. There is also a Contemporary Midweek service on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Leadership and competence in seasonal liturgical musical selection is important, and knowledge of music technology is a plus.

We are blessed with wonderful instruments - a 2 manual 17 rank Patrick J. Murphy Pipe Organ (Opus 49 built for us in 2007) with moveable drawknob console, a Yamaha grand piano (model C6) in our sanctuary, a Baldwin grand piano (model R) in our music room, Schulmerich Handbells (3 octaves), and a Korg SV-2S Vintage 88-Key Stage Piano to support our Praise Band.

These qualities are desired to fulfill the position: possess excellent keyboard skills (piano, organ and electronic keyboard), possess a love of music that transmits both to adults and children, proven record of success directing choirs, knowledge and proficiency in a broad range of music styles, a friendly and approachable personality who will attract volunteer singers/musicians, be reliable, good administrative skills, and knowledge of worship.

Education: Bachelor's Degree or higher preferred

**Please send a cover letter and resume to:** Doug Shurts, Chair, SPRC at [dshurts@msn.com](mailto:dshurts@msn.com) by July 5, 2021.