

**Director of Music and Organist, Episcopal Church of Saint John on the Mountain,
Bernardsville, NJ**

About St. John on the Mountain

St. John on the Mountain is an Episcopal community of faith centered on the teachings of Jesus Christ. All are truly welcome to worship, serve, and fully partake in community life. We reject discrimination which hides the truth of His redeeming love. We are all created by God and entitled to dignity as part of creation and to serve God through the Church.

Music at St John on the Mountain

The Choir of St John on the Mountain is a vital and vibrant part of the parish community. The choir is intergenerational and includes semi-professionals and talented volunteer singers, who share their talents to uplift, unite, and make transcendent our common prayer. Choir members enjoy both exploring new, challenging repertoire and revisiting old favorites. They are passionate and devoted to both the music and each other.

The sanctuary organ at St John on the Mountain is a three-manual, 44 rank, 50 stop instrument. Originally built in 1967 by the M.P. Moeller Company, it was rebuilt and redesigned by Petty-Madden in 1996. Then-organist John Baldwin desired it to be designed in the French style. The chapel organ is a 9 stop mechanical action instrument built by C.B. Fisk of Gloucester, MA, and formerly housed at Boston College. The Fisk organ was refurbished in 2000.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Provide organ music and accompaniment for weekly Sunday services.
- Lead weekly rehearsals and services for the choir.
- Select and prepare a diverse range of repertoire appropriate for use in worship.
- Work with clergy to plan music for holy days and sacramental services, including but not limited to: Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, Funerals, and Weddings.
- Develop and commit to a vision which sustains and grows the choral community. Foster programs to engage younger choir members.
- Engage with a potential opportunity to develop a program for the children at St John's Nursery School.
- Work with the wardens and vestry to ensure maintenance of the organs.
- Attend monthly staff meetings and other meetings as required.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Music, Organ, or Choral Conducting, or equivalent experience.
- Experience of leading a music program in a church setting.
- Excellent keyboard skills.
- Ability to lead and conduct a choir in both rehearsals and worship services.
- Ability to work well with musicians at all skill levels and ages.
- Ability to enhance the choir's experience through incorporating vocal and musical pedagogical elements suitable for the needs of the choir.
- Knowledge of and ability to teach diverse repertoire of a variety of periods, styles, and difficulty levels.

Compensation

- This position is part-time (15 hours/week).
- Salary commensurate with experience and AAM guidelines.

Interested candidates may submit a cover letter and resume to Susan Kennedy,
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