

Choral Scholar Position

Pilgrim Lutheran Church
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Purpose of the Position and information about Pilgrim Lutheran Church

· Pilgrim is a progressive and inclusive Lutheran-Christian community of faith that seeks to be *a home for hungry minds and souls*. The Choral Scholar Position offers musicians an opportunity to identify and share their unique gifts and strengths, practice critical job skills, and discern their vocation. Applicants who would find a valuable experience through sharing and improving their singing, church musicianship, and/or music leadership skills are encouraged to apply. Majors or minors in music are not required but can provide an advantage.

Musical Responsibilities

- 1) Come prepared for weekly Wednesday evening choir rehearsals (90 minutes, 6:30-8:00pm).
 - This can include leading a 15-20 minute sectional rehearsal, if interested in this area.
- 2) Sing, well prepared, for the assigned Sunday morning services.
 - This can include singing a solo, conducting the choir, playing an instrument, etc., if skilled and/or interested in one of these areas.
 - Choral Scholars may occasionally need some practice at home in order to be prepared for rehearsal, especially when assigned solos, leadership roles, or a foreign language piece, but a vast majority of weeks will not require advanced preparation.
- 3) Sing for special services like Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday.
- 4) There is also a **tenor-bass “Contemplative Choir”** that rehearses about once a month on Sunday afternoons and sings for Sunday evening worship about once a month. Tenor and bass applicants can apply to sing with both the Chancel Choir and/or the Contemplative Choir.

Employment Terms

- Pay will be \$24/hour (\$18/hour for a high school student). Hours will be tracked using time cards. No pay will be given for days absent.
- On average, the time commitment will equal about 3 Sundays (2 hr) and 3 Wednesdays (1.5 hr) per month for the Chancel Choir. Contact the director to see the exact schedules.
- **Start date in early September or as soon as open positions can be filled.** A schedule of Wednesday rehearsals and Sunday services will be prepared several months at a time, continuing through early June.
- If the Choral Scholar will miss an upcoming rehearsal or service, he or she should let the Music Director know as soon as possible (preferably several weeks in advance), as a substitute may need to be found. A Choral Scholar may occasionally be allowed to miss a Wednesday rehearsal and sing the following Sunday, but one who will miss an upcoming Sunday may be asked to also give up pay for the previous Wednesday, so the substitute can sing for the rehearsal instead.
- **Required for all choral singers:** vaccination against covid-19, masks, and we stand about 3 feet apart. Job requirements will follow all federal and state laws and regulations.

Please submit a resume to the Music Director, Paul Stever, at SteverPaul55@aol.com. Positions are open until filled, but winter and spring are especially good months to send resumes and inquiries.