First Congregational Church of Lebanon, NH

First Congregational Church of Lebanon, a 200-member, open and affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ (UCC), seeks a part-time organist and choir director. Our congregation is fully committed to the vital importance of music in worship, ministry, and community life, and we are generous in supporting it. Our sanctuary is among the finest musical spaces in the area, featuring excellent acoustics as well as a beautiful Steinway L piano and a two-manual Johnson pipe organ (converted in the 1950s to electropneumatic action), both of which are used in worship. The church possesses an extensive music library of both choral and keyboard repertoire. We also host an ongoing, widely appreciated concert series, offering public performances in a variety of genres.

The primary responsibilities of this position are 1) providing and accompanying all music and hymns for one worship service weekly on Sunday mornings, and 2) directing an adult choir of 8-10 singers that rehearses on Thursday nights. We expect a typical weekly commitment of 4-5 scheduled hours at the church, plus flexible, discretionary practice time; overall, the position’s responsibilities would constitute 10-12 hours per week. The position also requires participation in special services for Christmas, Lent, and Holy Week.

Applicants should offer an appropriate musical background; proficiency in both organ and piano, as a solo performer and as an accompanist; experience in choral direction; and a basic familiarity with standard, traditional church repertoire. A personal faith commitment in either the UCC or another denomination is preferable, but it is not required. Salary is negotiable, commensurate with qualifications and experience; please indicate any specific compensation requirements you might have. The position also offers professional development funds, four Sundays off per year (not during Advent or Holy Week), and use of the church for concerts and recitals; no other benefits are included. Applications accepted immediately, to start as soon as possible. Please submit all applications (cover letter and résumé) and/or questions by email to the Church Administrator, at church@fccleb.org. First Congregational Church of Lebanon does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other characteristic.