

Granby Congregational Church – Granby, CT

Bridge Music Director

Granby Congregational Church in Granby, CT, a progressive, joyful UCC church formed 1 1/2 years ago following the consolidation of two historic congregations. We are a new church striving to be released from “the way it’s always been” to enacting worship that is creatively faithful, spirit-led, and born out of the unique gifts of our congregation and leadership. To partner in this, GCC is seeking a short-term part-time Bridge Music Director to accompany Sunday worship, lead our adult choir, and unabashedly celebrate their musical gifts.

We are open and interested in different accompanist gifts including by not limited to organ, piano, and/or guitar. Our choir is eager to work with directors who can draw out the gifts of our volunteer singers and cultivate meaningful community within the group. Our congregation is excited to be led by accompanists with skillful passion, an appreciation of progressive theology, and spirited engagement of sacred music in all its diverse manifestations.

As a new church developing a shared musical culture and exploring different traditions, the Bridge Music Director is invited to bring their unique gifts and skills to this position. GCC is eager to experience new styles as well as be introduced to dynamic music for the congregation and choir as we discern the long-term musical culture of the church. By working with a series of Bridge Music Directors over the next year, we hope to experience a diversity of skillsets and music styles with a wide-range of opportunities to incorporate music into worship. We are not looking for a carbon copy of a former beloved music director (although we have many of those!) but we are looking for YOU – your passion for communal song, your favorite genres and styles, your love for introducing others to music that stirs your soul.

The vision is for different Bridge Music Directors to serve by season: fall through Christmas Eve, January through Easter, and Eastertide through summer. We are open to hiring musical partners to share the role. We are open to students who are flexing new skills as well as recently retired musicians who are intrigued by a meaningful short-term opportunity.

This is a unique model that requires creativity, collaboration, and a willingness to bring your full authentic self to GCC.

The Details:

Position is approximately 10 hours a week, including 10am Sunday worship service and Thursday evening choir rehearsal, church holidays and special events.

Salary: \$8,000-\$9,000 per four month contract, renewable by mutual agreement.

Interested Candidates can submit resume to pastorliz@granbycongregationchurch.org. Candidates may also reach out with questions or conversation due to the unique nature of this position.