



Trinity United Methodist Church  
1024 Lake Ave. Wilmette, IL 60091  
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## **Organist/Pianist with possible Bell Choir direction**

### Overview

Trinity United Methodist Church (1024 Lake Avenue, Wilmette – known as the “Home Alone” movie church) is a welcoming community of compassion and faith. Trinity is currently seeking an exceptional organist and pianist to collaborate with the Director of Music Ministries/Chancel Choir Director with the option to add leadership of the Trinity Ringers Bell Choir for a qualified candidate. We are a reconciling (open and affirming) congregation that highly values music. Trinity Wilmette’s organ is one of the finest in the Chicago area – a 63-rank Reuter. To see the organ’s stop list [[click here](#)].

**Interested applicants should reply to [trinityinfo@trinitywilmette.org](mailto:trinityinfo@trinitywilmette.org) and submit:**

- 1) CV/Resume
- 2) One letter of recommendation
- 3) YouTube links to videos that demonstrate organ performance, hymn/service music playing, and piano accompanying

**February 15 – application reviews commence. Applications accepted until position filled.**

**June 1 or September 1 start date, negotiable.**

### Desired Qualifications

- A degree in music/organ or the equivalent advanced study in organ performance.
- Extensive experience playing hymns and choosing/playing music for worship.
- Experience as a choral accompanist and collaborative pianist.
- A strong commitment to personal faith and the ministry of Trinity United Methodist Church.
- Strong relational skills and spiritual sensitivity in dealing with the choir, other musicians, and the congregation and staff.

### Position Description

- Approximately 10-12 hours a week
- One weekly Sunday service at 10:30am. Onsite time typically 9am – noon. Organist is responsible for choosing and playing prelude and postlude and other incidental music, and playing and assisting in choosing hymns and service music.
- Additional services Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter (2 services), and afternoon concerts as needed (typically twice a year).
- Accompany a wide variety of advanced choral repertoire for the Chancel Choir (4 paid soloists) at rehearsals (Thursdays, 7:30-9pm) and in service.
- Accompany soloists on piano and organ in advanced repertoire throughout the summer (May – August) and during the year as requested.
- Accompany the Trinity Youth Singers for service singing, typically 4 times a year.
- Participation in monthly worship planning meetings with the Director of Music Ministries and Pastor.
- When necessary, secure keyboard substitutes, in consultation with the Director of Music Ministries.
- Monitor condition of the keyboard instruments and scheduling repair and tunings when necessary.

### Additional Opportunities

- Direct the Trinity Ringers Bell Choir in weekly rehearsals (Thursdays, 6:15-7:15pm) and in service, typically 4 times a year (additional compensation).
- First right of refusal for Weddings and Funerals (additional compensation).
- Provide optional organ concerts or recitals.

### Salary and Benefits

- Salary commensurate with experience and exact duties as determined.
- Four Sundays paid time off.
- Additional unpaid leave as negotiated.