

**Director of Music and Organist
St. Thomas's Episcopal Church
New Haven, CT**

St. Thomas's Episcopal Church seeks a Music Director and Organist to lead a thriving music program. The program website (musicatstthomas.org) provides a full description of the choral program, including repertoire. St. Thomas's is a lively Christian community of faith located on Whitney Avenue in New Haven at the border with Hamden. We are diverse in age, race, and sexual orientation. All are drawn to St. Thomas's by its distinctive atmosphere of heartfelt fellowship, intellectual inquiry, spiritual curiosity, and beautiful worship. The St. Thomas's community includes [St. Thomas's Day School](#), a co-educational independent day school serving children from kindergarten through 6th grade. Its Mission Statement is this: St. Thomas's Day School is a diverse community of children, teachers, parents, and parishioners working together to foster learning in the context of faith and personal commitment.

The Director of Music and Organist is a half-time position. The Director shall:

- Oversee and administer the music program at St. Thomas's
- Direct the three choral ensembles: the St. Thomas's Choir, Schola Antiqua and St. Thomas's Choristers in rehearsals, services and concerts
- Play the organ for all services and special events
- Play for weddings and funerals as required, meeting and planning music with the parties involved, and have first refusal for these services
- Plan choral music, service music and hymns, in consultation with the Rector, for all services and special events
- Plan and administer the Concert Series and Lunchtime Recital Series, inviting performers as necessary
- Prepare and edit all weekly service bulletins, sending to the Rector and Parish Administrator for proofing and printing
- Meet weekly with the Rector, and attend weekly staff meetings, by arrangement
- Ensure that the organ is effectively tuned and maintained, in consultation with the organ builders
- Ensure the continued growth of the music program through effective use of publicity, choir recruitment, fundraising efforts etc.
- Maintain the music library, ordering and purchasing new music as required
- Hire up to five Section Leaders for the St. Thomas's Choir and Schola Antiqua, and keep track of their hours and attendance
- Work collegially with the staff and students of St. Thomas's Day School, as required, for joint church/school events (graduations, Day School Sunday etc.)
- Nurture the musical growth of all members of the St. Thomas's parish family, and fulfill an effective pastoral role to all those under his direction

The compensation package will be competitive with industry standards.