

## **Church Organist Stockbridge Church**

Following the retirement of our long-serving organist, Stockbridge Parish Church is seeking to appoint a creative and imaginative Church Organist to develop our approach to Music in Worship. Music in Worship includes our regular Sunday services, services at Christmas and Easter and additional special services. The organist would be expected to collaborate with our locum Minister and Worship Committee to plan the music for our services.

The successful candidate will be a competent musician familiar with church music in a range of styles, traditional and contemporary, able to accompany congregational worship fluently on both organ and piano. We would also expect the organist to explore ways of involving our congregation and others from the community in contributing to the music during worship, and of rebuilding our choir.

The organ is a 2-manual August-Gern instrument. We also have a Steinway grand piano. The organist will be given keys to the Church building and permitted to use both organ and piano for practice, at times to be arranged with the Church Administrator.

Salary is negotiable, in line with the Scottish Federation of Organists Salary Scale C and dependent on experience and qualifications. Additional fees are payable for weddings and funerals held in the Church.

Applications should include a CV, a covering letter, and the names and contact details of two referees, at least one of whom should be a professional musician with recent knowledge of your work and preferably with experience of music in Christian worship.

Short-listed candidates will be interviewed and auditioned by members of the Worship Committee and an independent and experienced professional church musician.

Applications should be made by 31 August 2023 to: Session Clerk, Stockbridge Parish Church, preferably by email to [sessionclerk@stockbridgechurch.org.uk](mailto:sessionclerk@stockbridgechurch.org.uk).