# Position Announcement and Description: Director for The Center for Congregational Song

The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada is looking for a full-time director to lead The Center for Congregational Song. The Hymn Society is North America's only organization devoted solely to the development and promotion of congregational song. The newly established Center for Congregational Song (CCS) will be the vehicle for all of The Hymn Society's programmatic and outreach activities, thus serving as the primary forum in which it embodies its mission: *to encourage, promote and enliven congregational singing*.

# **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Organize and manage annual 4-day summer conference
- Supervise existing programs and resources
- Design and manage the implementation of new initiatives
- Design and lead workshops/seminars/master classes in congregational song and singing
- Create, manage and maintain digital resources
- Facilitate regional gatherings, conversations and collaborations
- Coordinate and manage volunteers
- Convene and coordinate advisory committee

### **Essential Qualifications**

- Experienced practitioner in congregational song enlivening
- Experienced teacher in congregational song enlivening
- Conversant with all periods and styles of congregational song
- Strong interpersonal skills and collaborative work ethic
- Strong administrative and management skills

#### **Desired Qualifications**

- Experience with web-based technologies, including webinar hosting and social media
- Composer of hymn tunes/texts and/or congregational song
- Published in the theory, history, and/or practice of congregational song
- Master's or comparable advanced degree in related field
- Prior experience with The Hymn Society

# **Application Process**

- It is the policy of The Hymn Society not to discriminate on the basis of age, sex, race, color, religion, marital status, veteran's status, national or ethnic origin, or sexual orientation
- The position will be available September 2015.
- Applications received by February 15, 2015 will receive full consideration, though applications will be accepted after that date. Review of applications will begin January 1, 2015 and will continue until the position is filled.
- By email only submit a statement of interest, resumé and contact information for three professional references to:

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