Caleb Dinger

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**Education:**

B.A. in Commercial Music (Piano Performance): Trevecca Nazarene University

Summa Cum Laude

M.M. in Music Education: Boston University

**Work Experience**:

**\*Petty Officer Third Class, United States Navy (August 2022 – Present)**

\*Provide musical support for ceremonies (percussion)

\*Provide musical support for outreach and protocol events across the Northeastern United States (piano and keyboards)

**\*General Music and Choir Teacher at Christ the King School (Nashville, TN Fall 2020 – Spring 2022)**

\*Teach general music and choir classes for Pre-K through 8th Grade students.

\*Prepare and Present Fall and Spring Concert programs.

\*Coordinate Middle School Cantor Program for school Masses.

\***Private Music Instructor at Grand Staff Music School (Franklin, TN Fall 2018 - Present)**

\* Teaching private piano, voice, guitar, ukulele, and drum set lessons to children and adults ranging from ages 5 - 50.

\* Teaching various styles of classical music and popular music, with an emphasis on learning how to expressively read music and charts \* Teaching students using Piano Pronto method for teaching students to read standard notation, better their technique, and increase knowledge in music theory.

\* Teaching students the Nashville Number system for teaching commercial styles of music and how to improvise.

**\*Staff Accompanist at Trevecca Nazarene University (Nashville, TN, Fall 2017 - 2020)**

**\***Accompany for vocal and instrumental students’ private lessons, seminars, senior recitals, and university performances with plenty of experience in both classical and commercial styles.

\*Accompany the internationally touring TNU Singers university choir as the rehearsal and performance accompanist. Repertoire consists of works by Mozart, Brahms, Bach, Monteverdi, Scarlatti, Clausen, etc.

\***Music Director/Accompanist at Crievewood United Methodist Church (Nashville, TN; January 2014-present)**

\*Worship coordinator/director of music for a weekly contemporary worship service called “The Gathering.”

\* Play the piano / organ and accompany the chancel choir for a weekly traditional worship service.

**\*Keyboardist and Rehearsal Accompanist for high schools, universities, and community theaters - (Spring 2016 - present)** Some examples include: *Tommy, Ragtime*, *Hairspray, Seussical, Mary Poppins, Big River, Little Women, South Pacific*, *9 to 5,* and *The Little Mermaid.*

\***Music Director** for several community musicals including *Greener Pastures* (original work), *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,* and *Music Man*

* + **Songwriter / Artist - (2010 - present)** 
    - Recorded and Released several solo albums of original music: Counting Stars (2010), Live it Out (2013), Questions (2014), Gathered (2015) Songs for Us (2018), One of Us (2019)
    - Two Original sacred works published in the UK Methodist Church online hymnal (2018)
    - Sold over 500 copies of solo albums

**\*Recording Session Musician (2014 - Present)**

\*Pianist and Keyboardist for commercial and classical albums, EP’s, and singles for artists and ensembles in Nashville, TN. Artists include: Brian Bonds, 2016; Taylor and Morgan, 2017; Madyson Williams, 2017; Sam Nichol, 2017; Lang Bliss, 2018, Jason Minton, 2019; Fain Spray, 2021

**Non-profit Experience:**

**\*Pianist and Accompanist - Music for Seniors (2017-2018)**

\*Performing at a senior residence / therapy facility once a month

**Other Training / Skills / Proficiency**

* + Proficient in music production software Logic Pro X and MainStage keyboard programming tools
  + Proficient in music notation programs including Finale and Sibelius.

**Awards and Recognitions**

**\*Musician of the Year - Trevecca Nazarene University (2016-2017)**

\* **Pi Kappa Lambda - Charter member of National Collegiate Honor Society at Trevecca Nazarene University (2017)**

**\*Phi Delta Lambda Academic Achievement Award - Trevecca Nazarene University (2016-2017)**