



Organist/Accompanist

Position Description:

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Expected Hours: 6 hours per week

Compensation: \$15,000 annually

Time Off: to be negotiated

Accountable to: Worship Music Director

Job Summary:

The organist/accompanist supports the Director of Worship music during worship and at choir rehearsals.

Job Responsibilities:

- Be the primary accompanist on organ and piano for traditional worship service music including hymns and choral anthems at worship service
- Support the needs of the music director
- Serve as worship music leader during the Director's planned absences and assist with arranging substitute musicians as needed.
- Provide organ music for weddings and funerals as available (separate honorarium).

Time Commitment: (6 hours per week)

- Sunday mornings (2 hours): One worship service plus rehearsing with worship participants/choir
- Choir rehearsal (1.5 hours)
- Occasional special worship services such as Maundy Thursday, Christmas Eve, etc.
- Individual practice time as needed to ensure excellence in worship music (2 hours)

Skills Required:

- Experience in church worship, with both organ and other music and hymnody (understanding and familiarity with blended worship preferred).
- Flexibility to play in blended style services that include all types of worship music.
- Knowledge of the instrument and keyboard ability sufficient to play hymns, songs, and anthem accompaniments. Ability to sight-read and improvise is desired.
- High degree of competence on organ, and the ability to accompany groups and individuals.
- Knowledge of basic music theory and ability to perform simple transpositions or harmonization.
- Ability to communicate well and in a friendly manner with the church leadership, church choir, other instrumentalists, and members of the congregation.