

JOB DESCRIPTION FOR ACCOMPANIST

Responsibilities

- The primary responsibility of the Accompanist is to provide instrumental support for all music related church activities. This includes Chancel Choir performances and rehearsals, regular and special worship services, or any church related program requiring musical accompaniment.
- Provide piano/organ or other instrumental support for funerals and weddings.
- Coordinate with the Choir Director in planning and accompanying all Chancel Choir activities including rehearsals, ensembles, and special music.
- Accompany the Chancel Choir at weekly rehearsals (currently Wednesdays 6 – 7 p.m.)
- Play for Sunday morning rehearsal (30 minutes before the service starts).
- Meet as needed with the Choir Director and Pastor for planning and preparation for worship services and other events.
- Help provide replacement during any absence from responsibility.

Qualifications:

- Be a committed Christian
- Music degree or relevant experience
- Exhibit skill in piano and/or organ
- Have experience as an accompanist and in working with voluntary singers
- Must submit and pass a recent background check
- Safe Gatherings training
- Be a strong team player

Benefits:

- The church will provide the Accompanist with 4 paid weeks off per year to include Wednesday rehearsal and Sunday worship service. Time off must be coordinated with the Pastor.
- The church will provide reimbursement for all music materials necessary to accomplish the requirements of this position under the constraints of the church budget and the line item for music in the budget. All requests will go through the Pastor and Worship committee and then to the Finance Committee and Staff Pastor Parish Relation Committee for approval.

Position Review and Termination:

- The part time Accompanist will be hired by the Pastor in consultation with the Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee.
- This position will be reviewed annually by the SPPR Committee and the Pastor. This will be documented and a written review will be shared with the Accompanist.
- At the end of a three-month probationary period, an evaluation will be conducted to determine if both parties are in agreement with responsibilities and performance
- Accompanist or the church (represented by the Pastor) may terminate the position by giving 30 days' notice.
- A 90-day probation period will go into effect starting with the date new hire and SPPR chairperson sign this contract. Employer or Employee may terminate employment without recourse at any time during this 90-day period.