

POSITION: Accompanist
SUPERVISOR: Pastor
STATUS: Part time (3-6 Hours/week)
FLSA: NON-EXEMPT
EFFECTIVE:

JOB SUMMARY:

As part of the worship ministry, provide service music in a sensitive, appropriate, and timely manner for the worship service at Auburn First United Methodist Church; deepening the experience of the love of God and neighbor through music and the worship experience.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

- Provide accompaniment for Pick-Up Choir, Crossroads Band, and other musical practices and performance(s) and by appointment, with soloists and ensembles
- Provides appropriate service music and accompaniments for all worship services including special holiday services and rehearsals as needed, weddings, and memorials
- Informs Pastor or Office Manager of any required maintenance of pianos as needed.
- Accepts the challenge of varied musical styles and levels of difficulty in worship music
- Works with the pastor for selecting appropriate music for services based on the theme or desired worship experience.
- Participate in worship planning meetings with Pastor and other leaders

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE:

- A commitment to the Christian church and a life of ongoing faith formation
- B. A. degree in music or equivalent
- Minimum of three years' experience in the music industry, five years preferred
- Experience musician with ability to play a variety of styles of music and is committed to providing quality music and ability to perform appropriate service music and accompaniments
- Knowledge of church music is preferred
- Basic knowledge of audio equipment
- Demonstrated understanding of worship and the leadership role required of the pianist with a willingness to work as a member of the music ministry team
- All staff will successfully pass a background check and complete ongoing Safe Sanctuary® training as prescribed by the United Methodist Church

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Walk up and down steps
- Navigate around audio cords and technological equipment
- Be able to push the piano into its place as necessary, raising the lid, locking the wheels

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CORE COMPETENCIES:

- **Mission Ownership:** Demonstrates understanding and full support of the mission, vision, values, and beliefs of the congregation; can demonstrate those values to others; consistently behaves in a manner congruent with the mission, vision, values, and beliefs.
- **Musical Ability:** maintains acceptable level of technical skill with their specific instrument(s) organ and piano
- **Church Music Knowledge:** connects biblical readings thematically to hymns and anthems; is familiar with western music tradition and world music as found in the United Methodist hymnal; understands church seasons and seasonal rituals
- **Aesthetic Awareness:** senses the best possible timing for music within worship services; sees worship as one continuous flow and knows how to support that flow
- **Organizational Skills:** Ability to organize schedules and necessary resources (people, music, materials, etc.)
- **Team Orientation:** demonstrates interest, skill, and success in team environments; promotes group goals ahead of personal preferences; steps up to offer self as a resource to other members of the team; understands and supports the importance of teamwork; shares credit for success with others, takes responsibility for his/her part in team failures.

I have read and understand the above job description. I attest that I can work in these conditions, I am able to perform the job functions, and can fulfill the basic requirements/duties, to include any other reasonable requests that are asked of me. I will immediately notify my Supervisor if I am unable to comply with this job description for any reason.

Employee Printed Name

Employee Signature

Date

Supervisor Printed Name

Supervisor Signature

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