Job Description

Accompanist

Whidbey Presbyterian Church 9-4-2022 Approved by Session 9-21-2022

Purpose

• The Accompanist provides piano/organ music and accompaniment for scheduled worship services and other activities in support of the music ministry of the church in a way that is consistent with the church's mission, values, and theology.

Accountability

• To the Pastor as Head of Staff

Qualifications

- Musical accompaniment proficiency through training or experience.
- Have a working knowledge in sacred music and worship planning.
- Be able to play for and lead a rehearsal of vocalists and other musicians as needed.
- Willingness to rehearse sufficiently to maintain a high quality of music
- Basic knowledge of computer skills e.g. email, word processing, spreadsheet, etc.
- Work well with others
- Ability to take direction and work as a team member.
- Flexibility with "in person" versus "virtual church." Knowledge of and experience with basic audio/video technology is a plus.

Responsibilities

- Support the church's worship environment through the well-prepared execution of music at regular and special services.
- Serve as accompanist for choirs, ensembles, soloists, and instrumentalists.
- Serve as accompanist in regular and special rehearsals.
- Plan and prepare preludes, postludes and offertories, according to the needs of the worship services.
- Maintain an accurate account of piano needs and maintenance and notify the Music Coordinator.
- Assist the Music Coordinator in finding a substitute for Sundays when not available.
- Meet regularly with the Pastor and Music Coordinator
- Assist Music Coordinator and/or Worship Team with maintenance of music library.
- Provide church office with information in a timely fashion on musical selections to be used in upcoming services as needed for the creation of service materials.

Terms of Employment

- The position is regular, hourly, part-time, non-exempt, and year-round.
- Regular schedule is 10 hours per week.
- A performance review will be conducted annually by the Pastor in consultation with the Music Coordinator.
- A background check must be passed before employment and repeated every 3 years.