

BANDERA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pianist/Accompanist Job Description

Purpose: To provide excellent music for worship services through the keyboard

Scope: The position of pianist/accompanist is a part-time paid position, requiring the musician's presence at Sunday morning worship service, any other service where music is needed, and all called rehearsals.

Job Expectations

Applicant Will Need To:

- Prepare and perform all music for rehearsals and services (including appropriate: preludes, offertories, anthems, communion music, postludes, etc.)
- Play for normal adult choir rehearsal each week (includes parts) 1.5 hr.
- Play for adult choir special rehearsals and performances as needed (including, but not limited to: choir concerts, cantatas and/or musicals)
- Play for Sunday morning rehearsal and service (rehearsal is 20 minutes before the service begins)
- Rehearse and play for solos and ensembles as needed
- Be available for all special services (including, but not limited to all Holy Days - Christmas Eve, Holy Week services, Easter, etc.) unless otherwise instructed by the Director of Fine Arts
- Weddings and funerals are not included in this job description and are left to the discretion of the pianist.

Skill Expectations

Applicant Must Be:

- Able to sight read and play hymns from the UMC hymnal for the congregation.
- Able to play traditional and contemporary choral works, following a director.
- Able to play SATB parts for rehearsal, 1-4 at a time.
- Able to play quality prelude, offertory, communion music, and postlude for worship service.

Preferred:

- Congregational hymn playing experience
- Choral accompanying experience
- Ability to play for a variety soloists
- Working in a Liturgical setting a plus, but not necessary
- A cheerful, "people-person" demeanor
- A team player

Other information:

Part time (less than 10 hours a week)

All rehearsals and services are included in the salary.

Salary is commiserate with ability, education and experience

DISCLAIMER

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required of personnel so classified. All personnel may be required to perform duties outside of their normal responsibilities from time to time, as needed.