

First Presbyterian Church of Lapeer

Organist / Accompanist—Job Description

Purpose: To provide music during worship services both as an accompanist and as a soloist

Responsibilities

Sunday Worship: During worship, must provide accompaniment for hymns (3 per service), liturgical singing (gloria, doxology, call to prayer), and choir music (introit, anthem, benediction response), for which the church will provide sheet music. Must also provide a prelude, offertory, and postlude of their own choosing to play as a solo organist or pianist. Must be available for worship leadership from 9am until 12pm on Sundays for warm up with the choir and the service itself.

Rehearsals: Must be available for 1 hour minimum weeknight rehearsal with the choir. Currently the choir rehearses at 6pm on Wednesdays, but the rehearsal date and time are flexible to meet the schedule needs of any candidate.

Planning: Must be able to work alongside both the choir director and pastor to collaborate for effective, cohesive, and meaningful music ministry.

Special Services: Our church is often asked to host weddings and funerals, and our Organist / Accompanist holds the right of first refusal for such events.

Supervision and Evaluation: This position reports to the Pastor who serves as the Head of Staff and to the Personnel Committee, while also participating on and being advised by the Worship Committee.

Work Schedule: 1 Sunday service and 1 rehearsal per week, approximately 7-8 hours total (part-time)

Organ Description: 1949 Wicks pipe organ, two manual, thirteen-rank. Completely restored in the spring of 2003.

Compensation: Pay will be based on each individual rehearsal and each church service, typically \$150 per church service and \$100 per rehearsal.

For more information, please contact:

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