

Accompanist

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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Part-Time Accompanist Position

Bethlehem Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time accompanist. Bethlehem takes particular joy in our music program and welcomes all people and a variety of musical styles. The part-time accompanist would play our 2 manual, 7 rank Moller pipe organ or Kawai piano during some of our Sunday morning worship services, enabling congregational participation in singing hymns. They will also accompany the choir and accompany soloists as scheduled and play for occasional special services - Midweek Lenten services, Holy Week services, funerals, and weddings. (extra compensation received for funerals and weddings) There is another part-time organist with whom the schedule will be shared.

Proficiency on the piano is a must and ability to play the organ is highly desired. Knowledge of Lutheran hymnody is also highly desired, but not required. The part-time accompanist is invited, but not required to work collegially with the pastors and music director in the planning of worship and hymn selection.

Bethlehem is an open and affirming community with a dedication to welcome and inclusivity.

Qualifications

- Must speak and write English fluently
- Must be skilled on piano and possibly the organ, and able to sight read and play a variety of music styles.
- A person of faith (Christian preferred, but not necessary) whose understanding of God helps guide how they live in the world.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Plans/plays prelude, accompaniments, postlude as well as hymns chosen by worship planning committee for Sunday morning worship services (9:00 & 10:30 AM). based on an agreed schedule.
- Plays for special, non-Sunday morning services like Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Christmas Eve, Wednesday Lenten services, funerals, and weddings as based on agreed schedule. Additional compensation received for funerals and weddings.
- Accompanies weekly Wednesday night choir rehearsals, as well as choir performances on selected Sunday mornings and two concerts/year. (December and June)
- Coordinates schedule with Director of Music and the other part-time organist.
- Rehearses on your own, during the week, as needed at home and/or on church instruments.
- Extra rehearsals, when scheduled before concerts, choir retreat, etc.
- Maintains a music library that consists of a broad range of styles appropriate for use in different worship settings.
- Opportunity for increased responsibility over time.

Please send your resume and other material to Mona Goetsch,
Director of Music : info@blcenc.org