



Accompanist/Organist
First Presbyterian Church of Mocksville, North Carolina
Part-Time Position

Position Description:

Provide excellent service music for our worship to allow the church to bring glory to God in song. He/she will excel on both the organ and piano and will be flexible and comfortable with a wide range in style of music, including, but not limited to: gospel, contemporary and classical. The position will report directly to the Choir Director.

Responsibilities:

1. Assists the Choir Director, Pastor and Worship & Music Committee in planning and preparing for regular and special worship services. Attends monthly worship planning sessions with the Pastor and all Worship and Music Ministry Team meetings.
2. Serves as the pianist (organ experience welcomed) for the 10:30 Sunday morning worship service and other special worship services, including but not limited to: Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Christmas Eve.
3. Selects and plays normal service music to include: prelude, offertory, communion music, and postlude. Plays all hymns accompanying the choir and other special musical offerings. (children's choir, solos, etc.)
4. Serves as the accompanist for the chancel choir at Wednesday rehearsals, extra seasonal rehearsals, and Sunday morning, having prepared in advance for the music to be played.
6. Serves as the accompanist and directs the choir for the chancel choir when the choir director is away, both at rehearsals and Sunday Worship.
7. Works with the choir director to arrange planned absences.
8. Directs the bell choir and performs other duties as requested - preferred.
9. Leads designated choir sectional rehearsals.
10. Works actively and professionally as part of the church worship team and as part of the church staff.
11. Assists the Choir Director and Worship & Music Committee in maintaining the musical instruments. Recommends needed tunings, repairs, and maintenance of the pipe organ and piano. Schedule those repairs with notice to the Worship and Music chair and the Administrative Assistant.
12. Schedules special music during Summer Sundays and provides accompaniment.
13. Serves as the pianist / organist for church weddings, memorial services, and funerals. Serves as a musical consultant for said services, engaging and rehearsing with soloists as requested.
14. Performs other reasonable duties as requested by the Choir Director or Pastor.

Skills and Abilities:

1. Excellent piano playing and accompanying skills – excellent organ playing if applicable.
2. Knowledge of basic music theory, including simple transpositions and harmonizing in a melody.
3. Demonstrate the ability to sight read, modulate, play with rhythmic integrity, and embellish musical scores.
4. Be skilled in accompanying vocal/choral music and instrumental music; as well as playing solo pieces on the piano and organ.
5. Demonstrate good communication skills and ability to be a team player.
6. Maintain confidentiality regarding church matters.
7. Follow church policies and procedures.

Education and Training:

1. Professional training piano and music theory. Training in organ preferred.
2. Bachelor's degree in music related field or Master's degree in music preferred.
3. Familiarity with the workings of a pipe organ preferred.

Compensation:

To be negotiated with a qualified individual based upon experience, abilities, education, and the budgetary realities of our church.

Evaluations: After the first 90 days and then annually.

Vacation/Sick Days: Four Sundays and Four Wednesdays with pay.

For more information or to submit a resume, contact Rev. Dana Fruits at pastor@fpcmocksville.com