

Organist

Lake Highlands Presbyterian Church

Job Summary:

The Organist is the primary keyboard musician for the congregation of LHPC. The Organist is directly responsible for keyboard music and accompaniment for all worship activities of the church. The position is employed by the Session of LHPC and reports to the Director of Music Ministries. This is a part-time position with a flexible schedule for planning, preparation and rehearsals. Estimated hours are eight to ten per week with Sunday hours required. Other hours are established in conjunction with the Director of Music Ministries and/or the Pastor.

What will I be doing?

The Organist duties and responsibilities are as follows:

- Serves as primary keyboardist for all regular and special (I.e. Maundy Thursday, Easter, Advent, Christmas) worship experiences as guided by the Director of Music Ministries
- Accompanies Chancel choir and praise team as directed by the Director of Music Ministries
- Collaborates with the Director of Music Ministries and the Pastor to plan weekly worship
- Selects appropriate music paired to liturgical, sermonic and seasonal periods
- Provides ad hoc musical leadership and coordination of funerals and weddings
- Attends Worship Committee meetings (generally held monthly on Sunday afternoons)
- Secures a substitute keyboardist when absent from rehearsals/worship as needed
- Engages regularly with individual musicians to provide special music during worship
- Plans and implements musical events for the church and community in conjunction with the Director of Music Ministries
- Exercises creative social media to engage more people in the music, activity and life of the church

What are we looking for?

We are looking for a candidate that ascribes to our church's mission statement and is passionate about church music. In order to be successful in the position, the ideal candidate will have the following attributes and skills:

- Bachelor's degree in music
- 1+ year(s) experience accompanying individuals and groups
- Strong personal character and evidence of committed Christian faith
- Creative and visionary leadership
- Working well with other staff members and people of all ages in a collegial manner
- Strong organizational skills and completes work in a timely fashion

It would be advantageous for the candidate to demonstrate the following skills:

- Graduate-level degree or work in music
- Previous experience working with volunteer musicians
- Ongoing continued education

Benefits

This is a part-time salaried position. Paid vacation and sick leave accumulate in conjunction with church staff schedule.