

First United Methodist Church College Station

MUSICIAN Pianist/Organist

The primary purpose of the Musician is to provide piano/organ/keyboards accompaniment for all church choirs. The Musician, along with the Choir Director, will co-lead the choir and the congregation in music-making experiences, so that people:

- Grow in Christian faith through music.
- Develop and strengthen their relationship with God.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to play the piano/organ.
- Ability to take direction and work as a team member as well as co-leader.
- Skill to improvise music based upon worship service.

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Be well prepared for choir rehearsal to promote excellence in ministry.
- Prepare and rehearse weekly with Director, Music Team, Church Choir, to achieve a high quality music experience.
- To learn new music through special rehearsals with musicians outside of choir rehearsal (including youth musicians in the congregation for special services).
- To continually learn new music quickly and learn about the people in the congregation and community so that you can play music appropriate to congregational needs.
- To be familiar with the congregation's goals, and how the goals influence the music program.
- To participate in worship planning, at least quarterly, with the pastor and others responsible for leading worship. This cooperative planning, led by the pastor, will outline worship services, including themes, the use of scripture, music, and special service worship experience.
- Provide music for funeral and weddings as requested. Compensation for services will be paid as an honorarium by the family.
- Participate in the connectional ministry of the United Methodist Church.

COMPENSATION and VACATION

This position is a stipend paid bi-monthly, according to service rendered, without overtime.

Expectation of attendance is for Sunday worship services, rehearsals with the choir or praise group and for special services such as Easter, Christmas, New Years, and church anniversary.

Two Sundays of leave are granted each year. Absences from Sunday worship should be submitted to the pastor in writing (e-mail) three weeks in advance, with a substitute's name and contact information confirmed prior to an absence being approved.

When musician does not serve, designated pay is given to the substitute musician.

EVALUATION

The personnel committee (Staff Pastor Parrish Relations Committee) will prepare a formal annual review relying on input from the Pastor and others, (including a representative sample of the general church membership). The personnel committee will submit formal compensation recommendations to the Finance Committee annually.