

Organist/Accompanist (Part-Time)
Good Samaritan United Methodist Church, Edina MN

Job Description

Good Samaritan UMC in Edina, MN, is a progressive and reconciling congregation with a strong tradition of music excellence. Due to Covid-19, worship has been primarily virtual since March 2020. We are seeking an Organist/Accompanist to provide musical leadership as we return to in-person worship this fall.

The Organist/Accompanist will be central to worship but will also coordinate with other groups such as the Chancel Choir, the contemporary band, and the handbell choir. This position will accompany the Chancel Choir, which will include Wednesday evening practice and Sunday morning worship. It may also include accompanying soloists, for which the rehearsal times may be more flexible. The Organist/Accompanist may also be asked to provide music for weddings or funerals and will be compensated separately for those.

Good Samaritan's Moller pipe organ has 24 ranks and 3 manuals.

Good Samaritan is open to job sharing for this position and with the broad range of talented musicians at the church, can be flexible in the number of Sundays per month.

Good Samaritan will consider local candidates and is unable to compensate for relocation or travel.

Job Duties:

Provide music leadership at the 10:00 am worship service, both individually and by accompanying the Chancel Choir or other ensembles.

Participate in regular conversations with the Senior Pastor or Music Coordinator to confirm music for 10:00 am worship service and special services (Ash Wednesday, Christmas Eve, etc.).

Rehearse with the Choir once during the week and briefly before worship.

Maintain regular connections with the Chancel Choir Director.

Provide music for weddings and funerals upon request.

Collaborate with the handbell choir, contemporary band, soloists or other music groups.

Qualifications:

Music degree preferred but not required.

Has studied organ or piano and has commensurate experience as an organist/accompanist in worship.

A good sight reader.

Able to rehearse with the Chancel Choir on Wednesdays and Sundays (and other special services) before worship, as well as with soloists or ensembles as needed.

Has adequate time to prepare for worship.

Able to coordinate with the Chancel Choir Director and other staff as needed.

Familiarity with Methodist worship format preferred, but not required.

Demonstrates the ability to relate to other people, listen well and respond appropriately to feedback.

Demonstrates the ability to work independently, accomplish tasks on time, and be flexible when needed.

Self-motivated.

Direct Supervisor

This position reports to the Senior Pastor, with whom they will collaborate on setting annual ministry goals/outcomes and who will complete their annual evaluation.

Pay is commensurate with experience.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please submit your resume and if available, a video that highlights your skill., as well as 2-3 professional or church references to Kay@good.org by October 15.