

Jefferson Unitarian Church
Position Description
Pianist/Accompanist
August 14, 2017

Purpose: Contribute to the worship service through presentation of keyboard music, accompany the congregation and the choir at designated Sunday Services during the year, accompany the choir for designated rehearsals.

Qualifications: Acts as team player, able to energetically inspire congregation through keyboard music, improvises creatively in contemporary styles, able to reharmonize hymns and congregational songs, demonstrates fluent accompaniment skills, able to sight read musical scores, able to read and play from lead sheets, calls upon diverse repertoire, brings fresh and creative styles to worship services. Ability to provide multiple instrument skills for varied worship styles a plus. Ability to create lead sheets and lead band a plus.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Presents music required for two Sundays in months with four Sundays and three Sundays in months with five Sundays or approximately 25 services a year.
- Presents music required on three Saturday afternoon services: two Music Services and one Easter Saturday service, with rehearsals prior.
- Selects music appropriate for theme of service.
- Accompany the choir for 90 minute weekly Wednesday rehearsals.
- Accompany three-hour Saturday rehearsals prior to two Music Services.
- Accompany and rehearse with occasional vocal and instrumental soloists and children's choirs.
- Perform all music required for and rehearse immediately prior to Christmas Eve services.
- Maintain good communication with the Minister of Music regarding music for Services.
- Submit service music to the Church office in a timely fashion for publication in the Order of Service.

Supervision and Working Relationships:

The Worship Musician works under the direction of the Minister of Music who is responsible for annual evaluations. Interacts with other paid and volunteer music leaders, choir, instrumentalists, office staff and the congregation.

Hours of Work:

The Pianist/Accompanist is employed for two or three Sundays per month for 10 months, August 15 through June 15, approximately 25 Sundays; plus the regular and special rehearsals and services noted above.

Benefits:

Benefits are listed in the Employee Handbook.

Terms of Employment:

Employment by Jefferson Unitarian Church is employment at-will and as such the employment relationship may be terminated by you or by the church at any time with or without cause.

Reviewed and approved:

Position Supervisor

date

Copies: Employee, JUC Personnel File