



POSITION DESCRIPTION FOR ACCOMPANIST

Reports to: Director of Worship Arts
Classification: Part Time (varied flexible schedule including some weekends and evenings)
Compensation: Non-exempt, Hourly, commensurate with experience

POSITION SUMMARY

The Accompanist supports the church choir during rehearsals and services. There may be other times when an accompanist is requested for other church or preschool programs. This position accompanies the Divine Shepherd Choir from September through April, with rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-7:00pm and Sunday morning worship from 8:15-9:15am three weeks each month.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Accompany choir rehearsals and worship services when the choir is singing or an accompanist is needed for an ensemble or other music performance
- Collaborates and works closely with the choir director to prepare music selections
- Prepare music for rehearsals, including practicing and familiarizing themselves with the pieces
- Participate in additional playing opportunities within the church's music program
- Being adaptable and able to adjust to different musical styles, tempos, and performance contexts

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Proficient piano and accompanying skills, including sight-reading, transposition, and improvisational abilities
- Previous experience accompanying choirs or ensembles
- Strong ability to communicate and collaborate with choir director and choir members/vocalists

PHYSICAL/MENTAL FUNCTIONS

Definitions are based on 8 hours per day:

Continually 70-100%; Regularly 50-70%; Periodically 20-50%; Rarely 20% or less

- Periodically stands and/or walks
- Continually sits at piano
- Continually required to use hands, fingers and arms
- Continually reach with hands and arms.
- Continually required to listen
- Continually utilize specific vision abilities required to perform the job's essential functions: close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus
- Mental Demands: Rarely work under pressure.

- Environmental Conditions: Interacts periodically with staff, congregants and volunteers.

ABOUT THE MINISTRY

At Divine Shepherd, the congregants and staff love God, share Jesus, and serve people! We are excited to share the Good News that God, the creator of the universe, wants all people to be saved. He sent his one and only Son, Jesus Christ, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have everlasting life. The congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. You can learn more about the church body at: LCMS.org/doctrine.

NOTE

This job description in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee(s) incumbent in this position. Employees will be required to follow any other job-related instructions and to perform any other job-related duties requested by any person authorized to give instructions or assignments. All duties and responsibilities are essential functions and requirements and are subject to modification to accommodate individuals with disabilities. To perform this job successfully, the incumbents will possess the skills, aptitudes, and abilities to perform each duty proficiently. Some requirements may exclude individuals who pose a direct threat or significant risk to the health or safety of themselves or others. The requirements listed in this document are the minimum levels of knowledge, skills, or abilities.