Part-Time Organist/Accompanist

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN

Position Description:

(.375 FTE ~15 hrs/wk)

The primary role of the Organist/Accompanist at Immanuel is to support and encourage congregational song in worship on Sunday mornings. This position also includes providing organ and piano accompaniment for the adult choir, for additional vocal and instrumental ensembles, and for soloists. Rehearsals with ensembles and soloists typically happen on Wednesday evenings from September through May. Additional playing opportunities for funerals and weddings are contracted throughout the year.

Working Relationships

- Reports to the Music Minister.
- Works collaboratively with the pastors, staff members, and volunteers.
- The work is accomplished as part of a larger team in collaboration with volunteer musicians and other members of Immanuel staff.
- Professional work ethic and positive attitude
- Willingness to reach outside of previous education, experience, and comfort levels for the sake of deepening congregational participation.
- Ability to communicate honestly and effectively.

Key Responsibilities

- Confidently lead congregational song from both the organ and piano and provide accompaniment that is sensitive to and supports the variety of gifts and musicianship skill found within the congregation.
- Play for two services (8am and 9:15am) Sep-May, one service (9:15am) June-Aug
- Be the primary curator and performer of keyboard music for prelude, postlude, and other musical offerings for Sunday worship as well as for additional seasonal events (e.g. Welcome Sunday, Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Lenten Holden Worship, and Holy Week).
- Accompany adult choir Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm and Sunday mornings (September-May)
- Be available for accompanying children's choirs, soloists and instrumental ensembles on both organ and piano with musical sensitivity, confidence, and flexibility regarding musical styles, instrumentation, and arrangements
- Be present for and contribute to worship planning meetings monthly

Qualifications and Experience

- Bachelor's Degree in piano or organ performance, or equivalent experience
- Working knowledge of music transcription software (desired, not required)
- Desire to serve and honor God though the gift of music

Compensation

- Commensurate with experience, salaried, informed by most recent guidelines from Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM)
- Additional compensation available for weddings and funerals, as scheduled.

To Apply send cover letter and Resume to Clark Weyrauch, Music Minister: clark@immanuel.us

