

## St. Paul's United Methodist Church Organist Job Description

### **Expectations:**

- The Organist/Choir Accompanist will be responsible for providing the service music for the worship services. The service music includes but is not limited to:
  - A planned Prelude on the organ or piano at the start of the service.
  - An offertory while the offering is being taken.
  - A postlude at the conclusion of the service.
  - Leading the hymns for the service from the organ and occasionally from the piano.
  - Playing the service music for all congregational singing, including, but not limited to the Psalter, communion liturgy, and doxology after the offering.
  - Providing music during communion services while the elements are administered.
- The services expected are:
  - Each Sunday at 11 AM.
  - Christmas Eve services.
  - Special services (for example, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Thanksgiving).
  - Weddings and funerals, as needed and scheduled.
- The Organist/Choir Accompanist will be responsible for accompanying the choir in rehearsal each Wednesday night 7:30 - 9 pm and supporting the Choir Director in teaching the Choir music for all music performed by the Choir.

### **Supervision/Relationships:**

The Organist/Choir Accompanist will work with the Choir Director and under the direction and supervision of the Pastor and SPRC.

### **Hours:**

The Organist/Choir Accompanist is expected to be present and perform at all services indicated above. The organist/accompanist will coordinate time off with the Choir Director to ensure all services can be covered.

### **Qualifications:**

As demonstrated to the SPRC-assigned review committee:

- Adequate keyboarding skills on the organ and piano
- Excellent sight-reading ability
- Expertly following the direction of the Choir Director when accompanying the Choir
- Expertly and collaboratively accompanying soloists or small group performances