

Organist Job Description - Immanuel Lutheran Church

We are looking to hire an organist or pianist for Sunday morning worship. Please contact Immanuel Lutheran Church at 402-553-5061 or Pam Ingraham at pamingraham@gmail.com

Job Title: Church Organist and Piano Accompanist, Part-Time

Location: Immanuel Lutheran Church, [2725 N. 60th Ave, Omaha, NE 68104](#)

Part-Time: 8-10 hrs/week

Job purpose:

- To guide congregational worship and assist adult choirs in fulfilling the mission and vision of Immanuel Lutheran Church and its music ministry.
- To deliver organ and piano performances for various church events, including worship services, weddings, and funerals.

Education, Skills and Ability:

- Be able to display a professional level of musical talent from training and experience.
- Have a thorough working knowledge of the congregation's worship services and a theological understanding of church music.
- Be able to communicate well and in a friendly manner with the Pastor, Music Director, Bell Choir Director and Worship and Music Committee members, fellow employees, church choir, praise and worship team, and members of the congregation.

Job Performance Requirements:

- Deliver organ and piano music in a professional manner for all worship services, as well as seasonal and special services.
- Provide organ and piano accompaniment for weddings and funerals, with the option to receive additional compensation from the involved parties.
- Lead congregational worship by facilitating hymns and liturgy, encouraging active participation and a spirit of worship.
- Foster the musical talents of congregation members by organizing and coordinating special musical offerings. This includes collaborating with the worship and music committee to feature soloists, instrumentalists, and small ensembles.

- Ensure continuity in music provision by arranging for a qualified substitute organist or pianist when unable to attend church services, and communicate such absences to the church secretary in advance.
- Oversee the maintenance of the organ and piano, coordinating with a qualified repair person as necessary.
- Contribute to hymn selection and ensure timely submission of hymn numbers and titles for inclusion in the worship bulletin.
- Dedicate 8-10 hours per week to the preparation and rehearsal of appropriate music for worship services.

Worship/Music Leadership

- Conduct worship services on the organ/piano for two Sunday morning sessions weekly.
- Take charge of special evening worship services, encompassing but not limited to Seasonal Midweek services, Thanksgiving Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Christmas Eve services.
- Provide accompaniment for regular Wednesday evening adult choir rehearsals and attend special rehearsals as required.

Job Expectations:

- The candidate is required to engage in thorough rehearsals to uphold a consistently high standard of musical performance.
- Collaborate as an accompanist for choirs.
- Undergo an annual performance evaluation.
- Foster professional relationships with fellow church musicians and stay updated on worship and liturgy advancements through involvement in associations, ongoing education, and professional church publications.
- Supervise the tuning and maintenance of the Austin Opus 933 organ within the specified budget for organ maintenance.

Qualified applicants should mail or email a resume and cover letter to the attention of:

Pam Ingraham
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Core Competencies

• Knowledge/Motivation

- - Possess a deep desire to serve God using worship and music as an integral part of the church's total ministry.
 - Possess an understanding of the unique heritage of liturgical worship, balanced with a willingness to explore creativity in worship.

• Musicianship

- - Possess highly developed organ/piano playing and accompanying skills.
 - Demonstrate experience in leading worship to support/encourage congregational singing.

• People Skills

- - Work effectively to collaborate with both professional and lay leadership. Possess interpersonal skills to attract, motivate, and encourage disciples.
 - Possess teaching, communication, and motivational skills.

• Personal Skills

- - Demonstrate effective organizational skills and excellent time management skills.
 - Exhibit creativity and enthusiasm in carrying out job responsibilities.