

## **Position Description – Organist/Accompanist (Part-time)**

**Grace Lutheran Church** in Raleigh, NC is seeking an organist/accompanist (part-time) to lead music during worship services and accompany the children's and adult choirs. Our sanctuary instruments include an Allen 3-Manual Renaissance Organ and a 6'3" Schimmel Grand Piano.

### **Responsibilities**

- Select and provide organ/piano music for all Sunday morning services and other seasonal services, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and mid-week services during Advent and Lent.
- Accompany the Children's and Adult choirs at weekly rehearsals and on Sunday mornings during worship.
- Work cooperatively with the Choir Director, Pastor, and Worship Committee members to choose hymns and plan worship services.
- Assist in arranging for special music, including solos, duets, and instrumentalists, in conjunction with the Choir Director and other musicians at Grace.
- Attend weekly staff meetings and relevant worship planning meetings
- Provide organ/piano music for all weddings and funerals held at the church, consulting with wedding couples or families if requested. For these services, the organist may receive an additional fee as specified in the church policy. The services of another organist may be used with the permission of the regular organist.
- Schedule organ and piano maintenance in conjunction with the church administrative assistant.

### **Relationships**

- Relates to and is accountable to the Pastor as head of staff, the church Choir Director as colleague, and the congregation through the Worship Committee Chair. Works in cooperation with Grace's other musical leaders and musicians to accomplish the music ministry goals of Grace.
- Performance review after initial six months of service, another review after 12 months, and annually thereafter, by the Pastor with congregational input.

### **Qualifications**

- Knowledge of organ and piano with keyboard ability sufficient to play hymns, liturgy, and easy anthem accompaniments at sight.
- Knowledge of basic music theory, including simple transpositions or harmonizing a melody.
- Ability to sing and play with accurate pitch and rhythm.
- Understanding of the Lutheran liturgical year, settings in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book, supplemental worship resources, and the ability to select appropriate music to coincide with themes.
- Strong verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to help recruit musicians to participate in worship.
- Demonstrated ability to work with and integrate a variety of musicians into the Lutheran worship experience.
- Ability to work as a team member to achieve Grace's music ministry.

### **Education**

Bachelor of Music/Bachelor of Arts in Music degree, or equivalent

**Salary** – Commensurate with experience

**Grace Lutheran Church** is an active church family with more than 400 members. You can learn more about the church at <http://www.GraceLutheranRaleigh.org/> .

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