

May 2022

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MASON CITY, IOWA**

POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Church Accompanist

PURPOSE: To enhance the worship life of the congregation by providing high level of competency in organ and piano (as required) and to work in conjunction with the Pastor and Director of Music Ministry in the selection of appropriate music.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Accountable to the Pastor and Director of Music Ministry

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Work closely with the Pastor and Director of Music Ministry in planning and coordinating the music and worship experience. This may involve attending committee and staff meetings as requested.
2. Demonstrate proficiency in keyboard accompaniment. Piano required and organ preferred.
3. Plan, prepare and play organ and/or keyboard music appropriate for the worship service. This will typically include prelude, offertory, postlude, congregational hymns and choral works.
4. Maintain regular attendance for Sunday worship and Wednesday night choir rehearsals.
5. Ability to collaborate with volunteer vocalists and instrumentalists soloists or ensembles.
6. Perform additional responsibilities as may be required for extra worship services held during special seasons of the liturgical year such as, but not limited to, Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter.
7. Prepare and play appropriate music for weddings, funerals, memorials and other special services as needed.
8. Obtain a suitable substitute when unable to be present for a Wednesday rehearsal or Sunday worship service.
9. Demonstrate an understanding of the role of music as an expression of faith with preferred knowledge of worship in the reformed tradition and the *Glory to God* hymnal.
10. Perform other duties as assigned.

RELATIONSHIPS: The Accompanist is accountable to the Pastor and Director of Music Ministry and indirectly to the Music and Worship Ministry Committee.

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: The Church Accompanist will be reviewed annually by the Pastor, Directory of Music Ministry and member(s) of the Personnel Committee. Adequacy of compensation will be reviewed annually.

CONTINUING EDUCATION: The church will provide support and funding to insure the provision of appropriate continuing education on approval of the Pastor and Director of Music Ministry.