

Pianist
Job Description
First United Methodist Church of Stanley
5481 Hickory Grove Rd. Stanley, NC 28146

Status: Part Time

Compensation: \$100 a week

Hours: 2-4 hours a week

Overview: First UMC is a welcoming and inclusive congregation that wishes to be an inviting place for folks in the Stanley Community to have a rich relationship with our all loving God.

The pianist at First UMC Stanley is an integral part of the worship service and the church community. They will provide piano music and accompaniment for our 11:00 am traditional worship. They will have a pivotal role in the musical life of the church, this individual must be a strong team player, and have a flexible spirit to the movement of the Holy Spirit.

Traditional worship is an important part of our church's worship life. This service is a smaller worship service in average attendance, but it is vital to the life of our congregation. Therefore, a strong and gifted musician is needed for the leadership of our congregation.

Supervision: The Pianist is supervised by the Lead Pastor and is accountable to the Staff-Parish Relations Committee. The Pianist is considered part of the church's ministerial staff and will conduct him/herself as a ministerial professional.

Primary Duty: To lead our traditional service in music and worship of God.

Responsibilities:

- High degree of competence to play the piano as part of leading congregational singing, and ability to accompany individuals or groups.
- Support the church's worship environment through the well-prepared execution of music.
- Plan, select, and prepare preludes, postludes and offertories, according to the needs of the worship services.
- Have a familiarity with the United Methodist Hymnal or a willingness to learn.
- Play for weddings and funerals, as requested (and upon availability), being permitted to receive additional compensation from the parties involved.
- Maintain an accurate account of piano needs and maintenance, and notify our Ministry Coordinator when needs arise.
- Assist the Lead Pastor in finding a substitute for Sundays when not available.
- Ability to improvise and sight read music when necessary.

Qualifications:

- A growing relationship with Christ.
- A Team Player
- Demonstrates the ability to perform music, on the piano, as needed by First UMC Stanley.
- Demonstrates a commitment to the vision and spiritual life of the congregation. (This person is not required to be a member of the church nor a United Methodist.)