

Organist Fellowship

Brentwood United Methodist Church

Reports to: Director of Worship & Arts/Organist

Department Mission: Provide an environment where people will be empowered to engage with God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit through worship and the arts.

Ministry Description:

In coordination with the Director of Worship & Arts/Organist, this position provides music for worship services (including weddings & funerals) and accompanist duties as assigned. This fellowship also offers opportunity for person to immerse themselves in many areas of music ministry (arts and administration), thereby equipping them with a breath of skills to serve the local church throughout their career.

Qualifications and Skills:

- Experience working in the local church is desirable
- Adaptability to a wide range of musical genres
- Desire to cultivate general skills in worship & arts ministry in a large, local church setting
- Personable and friendly attitude and ability to work in a team environment

Education & Experience:

- Bachelor's or master's degree in organ performance and/or church music required

Classification:

This position is a non-exempt, part-time position.

Work Schedule:

This position is 25-hours per week. Employee must be able to work the following times for rehearsals, meetings, and services listed below, plus be available for weddings and funerals as needed. Other hours will be for practice and other tasks as listed in Ministry Responsibilities section or as assigned by the Director of Worship & Arts.

Weekly Saturday evening service (6:00p)	4:30p – 7:30p
Sunday morning services (as needed)	8:15a & 11:05a
Weekly department meetings	Tuesdays, 1:00p – 2:30p
Weekly rehearsals (School Year)	Sundays, 7:00p – 8:00p (Alleluia Choir)
	Wednesdays, 6:15p – 7:00p (Asbury Choir)
	Wednesdays, 8:00p – 9:00p (Sonshine Ensemble)

Physical Requirements:

Ability to sit for long periods of time either in office environment or at organ console. Ability to lift at least 25 pounds occasionally.

Ministry Responsibilities:

Organ Leadership and Accompanying Responsibilities

- Provide appropriate music (either organ or piano) and accompaniment for worship services
- Accompany Asbury Choir, Alleluia Choir, and Sonshine Ensemble rehearsals (see above times)
- Play for all funerals held at the Church as requested
- Accompany Chancel Choir in worship, rehearsal, and in concert as needed
- Maintain a practice schedule which would ensure the highest service playing standards
- Be available to play for weddings held at the church, as requested, and consult with the couple for selection of music

General Worship & Arts Department Responsibilities

- Attend staff meetings, worship planning, and worship & arts department staff meetings
- Oversee maintenance of Chapel & Sanctuary organs
- Regularly attend adult, youth, and children's choir rehearsals (choral & instrumental) to gain experience and mentorship for directors
- Ring in/substitute in hand bell choirs as needed (September – April)
- Regularly meet with Director of Worship & Arts/Organist for coaching on worship service selection and playing
- Arrange for instrumentalists, as needed, in worship
- Assist with set up for worship services as needed