

Grove Park Baptist Church
Job Description
Church Accompanist

12-3-2025

Overview:

The Church Accompanist serves as an integral part of the worship of Grove Park Baptist Church, helping to fulfill the church's core values (Grace Centered, Disciple Making, Kingdom Driven, Community Champions) by providing accompaniment for scheduled worship services and other activities. Having a pivotal role in the musical life of the church, this individual is a strong team player, working under the direction of the Senior Pastor and Associate Pastor of Worship Arts.

This position is classified as part time. The Church Accompanist is expected to attend regular Sunday morning worship, other scheduled worship services (including but not limited to Holy Week and the Christmas season), and rehearsals with the choir and other musicians as necessary.

Characteristics:

The Church Accompanist will exhibit the following characteristics in their role:

1. Flexibility to select and play music during blended-style worship services (incorporating both traditional and modern music).
2. Knowledge of basic music theory and ability to perform simple transpositions or re-harmonizations as needed.
3. Ability to play music by sight and to improvise when necessary.
4. Willingness to take direction and work as a team member.
5. Ability to communicate well and in a friendly manner with church leadership, church musicians, and members of the congregation.
6. Willingness to rehearse sufficiently to maintain the desired quality of music.
7. Ability to oversee instrumental care and maintenance.

Responsibilities:

1. Support the church's worship through the well-prepared execution of music presented by the choir.
2. Serve as accompanist for the Sanctuary Choir in regular and special rehearsals and performances as assigned.
3. Select, prepare, and play preludes, postludes, and other service music as assigned, according to the needs of the church's worship.
4. Play for funerals as requested (depending upon availability), being permitted to receive additional compensation from the parties involved.
5. Monitor and recommend piano and organ maintenance and repair, in coordination with the Associate Pastor.

Accountability

The Church Accompanist is directly accountable to the Associate Pastor of Worship Arts. They should notify the Associate Pastor a minimum of three weeks prior to planned absences whenever possible, to allow the Associate Pastor to schedule a substitute accompanist.