**Ministry Description**

**Position:** Worship Pianist

**Supervisor:** Director of Music

**Hours:** 1.5 – 3 hours per week, one week out of the month

**Purpose:**

Part of the music ministry team, the Worship Pianist will enhance the worship offerings of Community United Methodist Church by providing piano[[1]](#footnote-1)\* music that leads the congregation in a spirit of worship for the purposes of glorifying God and making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

**Qualifications:**

* Displays a love for and belief in Jesus Christ
* Experienced musician with attested skills on the piano\*
* Demonstrates knowledge of church music, musical selection and the ability to read music
* Exhibits a passion for worship, growing ministries and helping musicians of all abilities to flourish
* Considers this position a ministry calling and not a job
* Possesses strong organizational and communication skills
* Highly motivated, positive and self-directed team player who loves and enjoys working with people of all ages
* United Methodist background is not required, but must be supportive of the theology, policy, leadership and mission of Community United Methodist Church, as well as the larger United Methodist Church

**Responsibilities:**

* Provide appropriate, appealing and thematic piano\* music for worship services\*\*, generally including but not limited to: gathering music, the Prelude, Hymns (selected by the pastor or through collaboration), anthems, the Offertory, during Communion and the Postlude
* Meet with the Pastor and/or Director of Music as needed to plan and execute worship music: Sunday mornings, holidays and other special events
* Rehearse in advance with persons offering special music during worship services
* Submit the titles and composers of music selections to the Pastor and Office Administrator by 10:00am each Wednesday for inclusion in Sunday worship programs (and four days in advance of other worship offerings)
* Provide qualified substitutes for all absences.
* Establish Sanctuary rehearsal times, as needed, in cooperation with the Office Administrator
* Provide piano music
* Adheres to the policies and procedures outlined in the church’s Employee Handbook and publicly supports the

pastor, staff and mission of the church.

1. \* It is desirable for the Worship Pianist to be proficient on the organ as well.

   \*\* The Worship Pianist is expected to play during worship services on Sunday mornings, holidays and for other special events, as scheduled by the Director of Worship. He/She will also be invited to play for funerals and weddings upon request and for additional income. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)