

**Metropolitan United Methodist Church
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Job Title: Pianist for Metropolitan United Methodist Church

Location: Onancock, VA

Position Type: Part-Time

Reports To: Metropolitan United Methodist Church Pastor and Staff Pastor-Parish Relations Committee (SPPRC)

1. Job Description: Metropolitan United Methodist Church is seeking a skilled Pianist to enhance our worship services through musical accompaniment. The Pianist will play an integral role in creating a spiritually enriching experience for our congregation during Sunday morning services, additional services and as needed. A dedicated individual who can provide versatile and uplifting musical support and who is committed to practicing and building on their craft. The goal is to present music that is honoring to Christ and leads the congregation in worship experiences.

2. Responsibilities:

Sunday Worship Services:

- Provide live piano accompaniment for the Sunday worship service, by arriving 15 minutes early prior to the beginning of service at 10:30 a.m.
- Play a variety of hymns, gospel songs, contemporary Christian music, and other relevant pieces to enhance the worship experience.
- Collaborate with the Pastor, all choirs, and worship committee to ensure seamless musical transitions during the service.
- Be prepared to offer spontaneous musical support for special moments or requests during the service, such as during prayers or sermons.

Weekly Practice:

- Participate in a weekly practice session to rehearsal and fine-tune musical selections for the upcoming Sunday service.
- Work with the choir leads and other members of the music team to ensure a coordinated and harmonious performance.

Flexibility:

Be adaptable to accommodate special services, holidays, or events that may require additional music or unique musical arrangements.

3. Qualifications:

- Proficiency in playing the piano, with the ability to perform in a wide range of musical styles and genres.
- A strong commitment to the Christian faith and an understanding of the role of music in worship.
- Preferred but not required, previous experience playing in a church or worship setting.
- Willingness to collaborate with other musicians and the church's music team.
- Punctuality and reliability in attending practices and Sunday services.
- Ability to adapt to different musical demands and learn new songs as needed.
- Strong communication skills and the ability to work in a team-oriented environment.
- A positive attitude and a passion for enhancing the spiritual experience of the congregation through music.

4. Compensation: Compensation will be discussed during Phase II Interview Process.

5. Hiring Process: Interested candidates should submit three references with a resume, or a brief letter explaining their interest and experience, and any relevant musical performance recordings if available. Please send your correspondence to Metrochurch75@outlook.com or Metropolitan United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 528, Onancock, VA 23147.

- **Interview Process:** Upon acceptance, eligible candidates will be invited to move forward with **Phase II** of the Interviewing process.
 - Phase I: Receive applications resumes, review and evaluate applications.
 - Phase II: Interview Process in person (TBD).
- **Hiring:** All newly hired candidates will be on a six-month evaluation.

6. Metropolitan United Methodist Church is an inclusive and welcoming congregation, and we encourage all qualified individuals to apply. Closing date to submit: May 17, 2024.

7. Metropolitan United Methodist Church is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, or any other protected status.