

We're Hiring PART-TIME ORGANIST



ABOUT

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OUR INSTRUMENTS:

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- Kawai Concert Grand & Steinway Grand Piano.
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QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor of Music degree (organ or piano performance preferred)
- Keyboard expertise on organ and piano, with previous church music experience.
- Demonstrated strong accompanying skills in organ as well as piano with choirs and individual musicians.

Full job description on our website.

We want to hear from you! Please submit your cover letter, resume, three professional references and a video where they perform two pieces in contrasting styles as well as one piece demonstrating accompanying skills, via email to Ms. Karen Schnell at office@calumc.org Subject: Attn: Organist Search.

Questions:

Contact - Gaby Garzon,
Director of Music at
musicdirector@calumc.org

PART-TIME ORGANIST

FULL JOB DESCRIPTION



Organization Name: Calvary United Methodist Church – Annapolis, MD

Contact: Ms. Gaby Garzon MM, Music Director, musicdirector@calumc.org

Salary Range: Starting at \$28,000.

Calvary United Methodist Church: Calvary United Methodist Church is a welcoming sanctuary for all as followers of Jesus Christ. Dating back to the colonial era, Calvary is a historic United Methodist congregation that seeks to build a bridge of faith for all of God’s children through prayer, presence, gifts, service, and witness. We are passionate about serving others in the local community and the world. We nurture through vibrant worship, Christian education, fellowship and ministry opportunities. Our music ministry includes adult choir, handbell choir, praise band, youth music, children’s choir, instrumental ensembles and soloists.

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 - Strong accompanying skills in organ and piano with choirs and individual musicians.
 - A firm commitment to the Christian faith.
- Organizational skills, good interpersonal relationships, and the desire to be a team player.
 - A commitment to the church's vision, mission, leadership and people.
 - Comfort working with children, youth, and adults.
- Knowledge of the traditional music literature and a wide breadth of sacred music.
- An understanding of the theological role of music in worship and the role of the organist in enhancing and inspiring congregational worship through singing.
 - Improvisation, composition and re-harmonization abilities are a plus!

Major duties and responsibilities:

- Support, maintain, and grow Calvary UMC's music ministry to the Glory of God – consult with the Director of Music, music staff, and Pastor on all matters related to music at the church.
 - Play organ/piano music for the weekly Sunday worship services – prepare and perform a Prelude, Postlude and the Hymns previously selected for that week, as well as preparing appropriate music for Holy Communion once a month.
- Play at additional services deemed necessary by the Pastor or Director of Music, including but not limited to Celebrations of life of former and current choir members, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week Services, Christmas Eve, and others.
- Provide accompaniment in rehearsal (Wednesdays 7:00 – 9:00 pm) each week with the Calvary Choir and with other ensembles or soloists, as needed.
 - Serve as principal music leadership in the absence of the Director of Music.
- Be ready to run warmups, sectionals, and rehearse the anthems with the choir.
- Collaborate with the Director of Music and clergy for planning and preparation of worship services in selecting appropriate music.
 - Submit the titles and composers of music literature to the church office for inclusion in each church service bulletin.
 - Work with the Director of Music to order music if needed.
 - Coordinate and prepare qualified substitutes for all absences.

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Maintenance and Resources:

- Assist in the upkeep, maintenance, and tuning of all the church's keyboard instruments.

*The Organist is the first-call for celebrations of life, memorial services, and weddings as able, with fees paid by participating parties.

How to apply

Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, three professional references, and a video where they perform two pieces in contrasting style as well as one piece demonstrating their accompanying skills, via email to Ms. Karen Schnell at office@calumc.org Subject: Att: Organist Search.

For full consideration, all application materials should be received by November 1st, 2023; but materials will be received until the position is filled.

The anticipated start date for the position is January 2nd, 2024.

Please direct any questions about this position to Ms. Gaby Garzon, Director of Music at musicdirector@calumc.org

