



First Baptist Church

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Whatever You Do, Do All to the Glory of God

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

We are a Church partnering with God by intentionally building the Kingdom of God, through abiding in Christ, discerning God's will and discipling others in the power of the Holy Spirit.

JOB DESCRIPTION – ORGANIST

Position Summary: The Organist position of First Baptist Church exists to assist the Pastor and Music Minister in leading meaningful worship each week. This ministry helps the congregation set aside their burdens as they worship God through music.

Requirements:

- Knowledge of service-playing (hymns and liturgy), as well as suitable repertoire for the worship service (preludes, postludes, offertories, etc.)
- Versatile on both the organ and piano
- Accomplished at both sight-reading and accompanying.
- Must be willing to work cooperatively with the pastoral and church staff
- Have a passion for worship

Responsibilities:

- Provide organ/piano music at Sunday Worship Services (Prelude, Offertory, Hymns, Postlude and other service music)
- During the school year, accompany the Chancel Choir on Sundays and at their weekly rehearsals
- Accompany guest soloists on Sundays and special occasions
- Play for additional seasonal services during Lent, Easter, Advent, etc.
- Accompany (as needed) any rehearsals and prepared events that may be scheduled above and/or beyond the Sunday services. These may include combined choir events with other churches.
- Play service music and accompany soloists for weddings and funerals (this is not included in the stipend, so pay is at the discretion of the wedding or funeral party).

Expectations:

- Facilitates and works in a collegial style with staff
- Possess exceptional skills as an organist-pianist
- Provides meaningful worship music that fosters spiritual growth in the congregation
- Follows a model of Christian living, as shared in 1 Timothy 3, that people in the church and community can identify and respect
- Commits to the American Baptist Churches Covenant and Code Ethics

Staff Member:

- Effectively partners with Pastor, Office Personnel, Praise Team Leader, Music Minister, and other key leadership personnel to carry out the vision, mission and core values of First Baptist Church of Midland, Michigan
- Observes and upholds ordinances, Bylaws, and policies and procedures adopted by First Baptist Church of Midland, Michigan
- Cooperates with associational, state and denominational leaders in matters of mutual interest and concern
- Cooperates with other local churches in appropriate ecumenical efforts

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