

## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: ORGANIST**

**Location:** Highland Presbyterian Church  
1011 Cherokee Rd.  
Louisville, KY 40204

**Post Date:** August 11, 2022

**Position Title:** Organist

**Job Type:** Part-Time

**Start Date:** January 1, 2023

**Proposed Salary:** \$35,000 - \$40,000

**Pay Period:** Twice a month

**Position Description:** As a member of the music staff, the Organist will collaborate with Pastors, Director of Music Ministries, and Worship Spiritual & Life Committee to provide leadership for music in worship in the Reformed Christian tradition—giving glory to God in all things. Though the organ is the usual adjunct to worship, the Organist is expected to play the piano as appropriate for the service to facilitate the congregation's praise and prayer through song. Most importantly, the Organist will serve with sensitivity to the liturgical patterns and practices of the church, will value Christian hymns/songs and choral music from a variety of traditions, and will demonstrate a positive spirit and attitude when playing for services and when practicing with and accompanying the ensembles of the church.

The position of Organist is approximately 20 hours a week, which includes both practice time and the following duties found below. The Organist reports to the Director of Music Ministries.

**Primary Duties:** Play organ for Sunday services at 11 am with a general 10:20 am call time for Chancel Choir rehearsal. Outside 11 am services on Sunday, play for additional special services such as but not limited to Christmas Eve (2), Ash Wednesday, Holy Week (3), Healing and Wholeness (4). Perform in special concerts throughout the year. Depending on the nature of the concerts, additional compensation will be given.

Provide musical leadership as the church accompanist. The primary accompanying duties are with the Chancel Choir, which rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm and occasional extra rehearsals for special services. In addition, accompany the Youth and Children Choirs which meet Wednesdays from 5:15-6:30 with the possibility that Youth Choir may move to a different time. Lastly, accompany any soloists for services, Highland Ringers (bell choir), and HPC Orchestra, though these ensembles do not need accompanying with weekly consistency.

The organist is also expected to play for funerals and weddings, for which they will receive additional fees and have the right of first refusal.

Coordinate and lead music in worship when the Director of Music Ministries is absent, and no substitute conductor can be hired.

**Other Duties:**

Coordinate the maintenance and repair of the church's organ and pianos as needed.

Work with the Director of Music Ministries to help recruit additional instrumentalists and vocalists, particularly from the congregation, to enhance the music ministry.

The Organist is a member of the music ministry and meets with the pastoral staff, Director of Music Ministries, and music staff on a regular basis.

**About Us:**

Highland Presbyterian is an urban church in the Highlands neighborhood of Louisville, KY. We hope to be a community where people can find a home to live their faith. We know it is difficult to learn a new place, new people, and we want to welcome you. Here are some of the many ways Highland Presbyterian Church lives its faith together.

We gather on [Sunday mornings for inspiring worship](#). We nurture our children and guide our youth. We play together in fellowship as friends and families. We explore faith where questions are as important as answers. We sing and make music. We welcome unfamiliar faces, hoping for new friends. We comfort the troubled and support our neighbor. We strive to use our time and talent to serve God, one another, and the world, sharing hope from the heart of the Highlands.

For further information about us and our music ministry, please visit us at <https://www.hpclouisville.org>.

**To Apply:**

Please email a cover letter that answers the following questions: What is the role of music in worship, and how do you feel called to be a church musician? In addition, please send either a CV or resumé with references and any potential video links of your performances you would like to share with the Organ Search Committee to Vini Frizzo, Director of Music Ministries at [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org). The application review process will begin September 23, 2022; however, the position will remain open until filled. Selected candidates will be asked to interview and audition at the church.

**Inquiries:**

For all inquiries, please contact Vini Frizzo at 502-451-2910 Ext. 239 or [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org).