

Responsibilities of the Church Organist

The responsibilities of the Church Organist are listed below, but are not limited to those stated.

1. The Organist is required to attend and provide organ/piano support at the Church's primary services: Sunday (Spirited Traditional), seasonal services (i.e. Lent, Easter, Christmas) and other services as required and negotiated.
2. To provide musical support at the keyboard for all aspects of the Spirited Traditional worship services for RUMC, as determined by the design of each service. Particular details relative to worship design will be communicated by the Director of Music. The Organist is responsible to accompany and lead with the Song Leader, all congregational music used in the service on piano or organ. The organist is welcome to offer input for congregational hymns.
3. Music selections are the prerogative of the organist, but should be selected to reflect the theme of the service and/or the season of the church year whenever possible.
4. Provide the office staff with the organist's service music for the weekly bulletin not later than the Wednesday before the Sunday it is to be played.
5. Support the Choir rehearsals on Thursday evenings or other nights as set by the Director of Music usually in the months of September through May.
6. The sanctuary will be reserved for the organist to rehearse, and scheduled with the office manager.
7. To work closely with the pastors and music staff of RUMC with regard to the music program and requirements of the individual services and events – to offer input and perspective.
8. The organist has the right of first refusal to support weddings and funerals/memorial services at RUMC. Remuneration for these services comes from the families and not the church; however, RUMC sets the fees.
9. Meetings include staff meetings, scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on most Tuesday mornings, and occasional Music Ministry meetings.
10. In the event of a Sunday morning absence, the organist will work with the Director of Music and the Senior Pastor to secure a substitute.
11. Music staff is paid on the last day of the month by the payroll service.