Job Title: Church Accompanist

Location: Kihei Lutheran Church, Kihei, Maui, Hawai'i

Reports to: Administrative Team; works closely with the Worship Team and Pastor

Position Type: Part-Time

Position Summary

Kihei Lutheran Church is seeking a talented and reliable pianist to serve as our Church Accompanist. This individual will play a central role in accompanying Sunday morning worship services and, other services and rehearsals as needed. The accompanist will work closely with the pastor and worship team to help create meaningful and engaging worship experiences rooted in the Lutheran tradition and our welcoming Aloha spirit.

Primary Responsibilities

- Provide piano accompaniment for Sunday morning worship services (weekly)
- Accompany additional services (e.g., Christmas Eve, Easter, midweek Advent/Lent) as needed and rehearsals as scheduled
- Collaborate with the pastor, choir director, and worship planning team to select and prepare music that aligns with weekly themes and the liturgical calendar
- Accompany the church choir during rehearsals and worship services
- Arrive a minimum of 30 minutes before rehearsal or worship with music prepared, allowing time to meet with the pastor or others regarding the service
- Serve as a musical resource and active member of the worship team

Preferred Qualifications

- Strong piano skills and experience accompanying both individuals and groups
- Ability to read music and follow the flow of a liturgical service
- Previous experience in a Christian church or worship setting preferred
- Comfortable with a variety of musical styles, including traditional hymns, contemporary praise, and Hawaiian-influenced worship music
- A flexible spirit and strong communication skills that include responding to emails and other communications as needed
- Appreciation for and understanding or willingness to learn Lutheran worship traditions and values

Additional Information

- This is a part-time position, generally 3–5 hours per week. Depending on the season, it could be slightly more.
- Compensation will be based on experience and scope of responsibilities. Additional duties will be compensated.
- An informal audition and reference check will be part of the hiring process.
- This position has the potential for increase in compensation and duties, such as directing a choir, directing hand chimes, or special music, as determined by the Worship Team and Council.

To Apply

Please send a brief cover letter, resume, and (if available) a sample recording or video of your playing to personnel@kiheilutheran.org. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.