

Organist (St Francis Episcopal, Palos Verdes Estates, CA)

**PURPOSE:** To lead worship through organ and piano music for two services on Sundays; to accompany the St Francis Choir in rehearsals, worship, and special performances.

Part-time position, approximately 15 hours/week average. Requires familiarity with Anglican musical tradition, proven ability to incorporate a wide variety of musical styles (traditional to contemporary), and to encourage strong congregational participation. The successful candidate will have interest and experience in innovative worship planning within a liturgical tradition. S/he will have a creative and collaborative mindset. S/he will work as a colleague in the pastoral ministry team.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Play for two Sunday worship services (8:00 and 10:00 AM), planning preludes, interludes, offertories as needed, and voluntaries (postludes) appropriate to the season and sensitivity of the service; accompany soloists and choirs as needed.
2. Prepare appropriate music for special worship services such as Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday (2 services), Holy Saturday, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day, as needed.
4. Accompany St Francis Choir rehearsals and performances as needed (one special concert is planned for March, others are typically in October, December, and June). An extra rehearsal is usually required leading up to a special performance.
5. Accompany occasional youth choir performances in worship.
6. Serve as first call wedding/funeral/memorial organist for which compensation will be paid separately.
7. Arrange for a competent substitute when unable to be present at worship services, weddings, funerals, rehearsals, or performances.
8. Collaborate and meet weekly with Director of Music, Youth, and Arts to coordinate music, plans, and vision.
9. Work with contracted maintenance companies to ensure proper maintenance of the two organs (chapel and church) and pianos.
10. Act as substitute choir director for Director of Music as needed.
11. Other duties as assigned.

**ACCOUNTABILITY:** Accountable to the Rector as Head of Staff. The organist shall work under the direct supervision of the Director of Music, Youth, and Arts and under the general supervision of the Vestry.

**COMPENSATION:** Commensurate with education and experience.

**LOCATION:** St Francis Episcopal Church, 2200 Via Rosa, Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90275  
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