



St. Michael Lutheran Church
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Rev. John Wertz, Jr., Pastor

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Worship Accompanist Position

St. Michael Lutheran Church is looking for an accompanist(s) to play piano (and organ) for a 9 AM Sunday Service, an 11 AM Sunday Service and to accompany the choir which practices on Wednesday nights. St. Michael is an active congregation with a heart for helping others and a love of music. The music at the 9 AM Service involves primarily hymns, while the music at the 11 AM service involves traditional liturgical music, hymns and anthems. If you are interested in learning more about the position, please contact Pastor John Wertz, Jr at 540.951.8951 or pastorjohn@stmlc.us or Patrice Yearwood, Music Director, at payearwood@aol.com.

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Music Ministry at St. Michael Lutheran Church

Mission

St. Michael Lutheran Church seeks to engage all people in meaningful and grace-filled worship. This is in support of our belief that as a community of believers guided by the Holy Spirit, the mission of St. Michael Lutheran Church is to:

Care for all God's people in need,
Hear of God's love through Word and Sacrament,
Respond to God's grace with thankful hearts,
Invite others into Christ's community,
Serve God in our daily lives, and
Tell the story of God's love for all.

The entire Music Ministry Leadership will:

- Provide music in worship and fellowship to support St. Michael's outreach mission in Blacksburg
- Actively assist the Pastor, Congregational Council and Congregation to proclaim God's message of hope, mercy and forgiveness
- Emphasize and be a part of a team spirit with the staff of St. Michael Lutheran Church, recognizing the importance and role of each staff member in the total ministry of the congregation
- Professionally lead the music ministry with integrity, respect, trust and interpersonal competence as influential church leaders
- Exercise musical gifts to fully enhance the environment for meaningful Lutheran, theologically-based worship
- Implement church music that liturgically fits the worship services and special occasions of the church year
- Implement music for all regular, seasonal festival and non-Sunday worship services in co-operation with the pastoral staff
- Organize and maintain music equipment, library and resources
- Deliver musical services and communication in a timely, prompt and effective manner
- Participate in congregational activities and programs as appropriate
- Take an active role in the Worship Committee as an ex officio member
- Help secure expanded support for the Music Ministry program

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Specific job responsibilities for Accompanist(s) are as follows:

11AM Accompanist

- This is a part time position. The 11 AM Accompanist works in conjunction with the Music Director and reports to the Pastor. The opportunity for review and goal setting takes place annually with the Pastor and with the Mutual Ministry Team.

He/She will:

- Provide accompaniment for the 11 AM Service including prelude, postlude and offertory
- Provide accompaniment for special services, including Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday, two Advent Midweek Services, five Lenten Midweek Services, Maundy Thursday Service and Good Friday Service
- Provide accompaniment for the rehearsal for the Choir
- Play for funerals when available
- Assist in securing a substitute accompanist as needed

9 AM Accompanist

- This is a part time position. The 9 AM Accompanist works in conjunction with the Music Director and reports to the Pastor. The opportunity for review and goal setting takes place annually with the Pastor and with the Mutual Ministry Team.

He/She will:

- Provide accompaniment for the 9 AM Service
- Play for funerals when available
- Assist in securing a substitute accompanist as needed