

## **Job Title: Collaborative Pianist**

Our mission at Foothills Unitarian Church is to unleash courageous love in Northern Colorado and Beyond. We make this a reality by inviting all those who engage with us to not only hear our progressive message but to become active partners in its unfolding work in their own lives, in our local community, and in the world.

The pianist is responsible for working with the ministers and the song leader to create a spiritually fulfilling worship experience and for creating a cohesive flow between elements of the service. In order to accomplish this, the pianist should be aware of the tone of the service the team is trying to create, as well as the needs of the congregation to be able to sing the songs.

The pianist will work with the other music staff and ministers to make this vision a reality during Sunday Services and Special Events.

**Job status:** This is a part time, non-exempt position.

**Schedule:** Includes 2-3 hours on Sundays, 3-4 Sundays per month between 7:30 AM and 12 PM. exact timing designated by the current service model, which changes a few times per year. Flexibility for 2-3 hours per week of communication and rehearsing with singers.

**Compensation:** The hourly wage for this position is \$20/hour, depending on experience and qualifications.

**Reporting relationship:** This position reports to and is supervised by the Music Coordinator.

**Job Summary:** The Collaborative Pianist is responsible for musical accompaniment for Sunday Services and special events.

### Responsibilities:

- Accompany congregational hymns and soloists for Sunday morning services.
- Provide solo music for Sunday services and at special services, such as Christmas Eve.
- Work closely with ministers and staff to provide well-coordinated worship services.
- Provide music for memorials, weddings, and other special services, as schedule allows.
- Rehearse and collaborate with vocalists and instrumentalists to prepare for services.

### Qualifications and Skills:

- Experience as a collaborative pianist (with singers or instrumentalists)
- Excellent sight-reading skills

- Ability to read, play, and improvise from chord symbols
- Comfortable performing in different genres, including pop and folk
- Willingness to follow direction from ministers and staff
- Degree in Piano Performance or Collaborative Piano desirable

**Physical requirements and working conditions:**

All Foothills staff are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, and when applicable, to wear a well-fitting mask indoors. Portions of Sunday morning are held outdoors, subject to weather conditions.

**Application:**

Submit overview of music experience, resume and/or CV to [katie@foothillsuu.org](mailto:katie@foothillsuu.org). Including 2-4 audio samples is encouraged if available.