**Position:** Organist/Pianist

**Hours per week:** 3 (1-hour worship service, 2 hours for practice and preparation)

**When position is available:** May 5, 2024

**Compensation:** $150 per service

**Contact Name:** Pastor Sara Wirth

**Website:** [**https://www.standrewarvada.org**](https://www.standrewarvada.org/)

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, an ELCA congregation in the Denver Metro area seeks an organist/pianist. The congregation worships on Sundays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Musical resources include an Allen organ, an upright Baldwin piano and a music library. The church will provide unrestricted access to use of the organ and piano for practice. Engaging in instruction or teaching may be allowed with prior consent from the Congregation Council.

The ideal candidate for the Organist/Pianist position will include the following:

* Be proficient on organ and piano; responsible for personal musical preparation.
* Possess knowledge of varied repertoire and improvisational abilities.
* Provide service music (one service per week on Sunday mornings) and communicate musical selections for the prelude, offertory, and postlude to church staff in a timely manner.
* Be knowledgeable of classical and contemporary church music.
* Be willing to learn traditional Lutheran liturgy.
* Possess a good understanding of the church liturgical year.
* Be responsible for playing for additional services as needed (e.g. Christmas season, Lent – Easter season).
* Provide occasional music for weddings and funerals, with first right of refusal.
* Be accountable to, and work closely with, the Pastor.

**Requirements:**

* Commitment to the mission and vision of St. Andrew Lutheran Church (Our mission: “The family of St. Andrew gathers in Christ to worship and praise God to serve and witness to others”. Our vision: “St. Andrew will be known as a welcoming place to explore faith in the triune God, and seek healing and growth in body, mind and spirit.”)
* Excellent organ and piano skills
* A degree in Organ and/or Piano Performance; or a degree in Music is preferred but not required.
* Ability to collaborate and communicate effectively with clergy, church staff, and other musicians.
* Flexibility to adapt to the church’s musical preferences and expectations.
* Must be available for the Sunday morning 10:30 a.m. service.
* Be aware that during Christmas and Lent there may be additional services, such as Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, which the candidate must be available for.
* Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
* A commitment to enhancing the worship experience through music.

Interested candidates should apply to Pastor Sara Wirth at pastorsarawirth@gmail.com. The application should include the following:

* Cover Letter
* Current Resume or Curriculum Vitae
* Unofficial Degree transcripts, if available
* 3 Letters of Recommendation, if available.
* If Letters of Recommendation are not available, 3 references who can speak to your professional qualifications.
* Applicants must be prepared to play an audition which will include a short organ and piano piece.
* Must be able to pass a criminal background check.

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**Zip Code/Postal Code:** 80003