



The United Benefice of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon-on-the-Hill

Role Description – Accompanist

Responsible to:

To Rector

Person specification:

- To be a person of integrity who seeks to serve in a gracious, Christ-like manner, who treats each member of the Parish with respect and dignity
- To support the ministry and mission of the Church through their work
- To uphold the Vision and Values of the Church and support the Rector through prayer and a positive attitude
- To be present, available and reliable
- To maintain confidentiality and share any concerns with the Rector
- To have a level of musical competence appropriate to accompanying worship whether on the organ, keyboard or other instrument.

Key roles and responsibilities:

- To support and take part in hymn choosing sessions
- To play a variety of worship music, both traditional and contemporary
- To be available to accompany a wide variety of services in a variety of settings, including other churches and places of worship, and services outdoors, in care homes and in community buildings.
- To demonstrate joy in supporting the important role of music within worship and mission.
- To seek out and suggest hymns, worship songs and musical activities for use in our worship.
- To nurture and encourage other instrumentalists, being alert to spotting burgeoning talent
- To liaise with wedding couples, ensuring accompaniment is both sensitive to their wishes and appropriate in a church setting
- To maintain good relations with the congregations and the local communities
- To be willing to accommodate last-minute changes, if these are unavoidable
- To liaise with the Rector and treasurer to ensure that the correct copyright licences are in place
- To register, each church in the Benefice¹, with the CCLI website and report regularly (ideally weekly) the hymns/songs used in services
- To produce an annual report to the APCM

Safeguarding:

- To read and adhere to all aspects of the Benefice Safeguarding Policy
- To complete a Parish Form, providing 2 references, and a Confidential Declaration Form before commencing the role.
- To undertake an enhanced DBS check if required.
- To complete on-line C0 and C1 basic safeguarding training

Role description created October 2020

¹ With the reorganisation it may be this can be combined to one return

