

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH Church Accountant

ABOUT US: The mission of First Lutheran Church is "making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." Our congregation is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

REPORTS TO: Lead Pastor and the Congregational Council

STATUS: Part-time (40 hours/month, schedule is flexible)

JOB SUMMARY

The Church Accountant is responsible for administering all aspects of the church finances and works in partnership with multiple stakeholders. This includes processing all income, accounts payable, bank reconciliations, month-end financial reports, annual budget development, maintaining an up-to-date contributions database, and other statistical tracking.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

- Review weekly deposit items and coordinate deposit with church counting committee.
- Enter contributions to member accounts.
- Enter count sheets to financial records.
- Update online payment and donation processing records.
- Pay all invoices & reimbursement requests and credit card statements / obtain receipts.
- Journal entries as needed.
- Monitor checking account balance & move funds to/from money market account as needed.
- Write designated fund benevolence checks.
- Checking account bank reconciliation.
- Prepare monthly financial report for Council (with analysis comments).
- Monitor continuing education balances.
- Maintain designated fund accounts.
- Write monthly financial update article for e-newsletter.
- Print/review/mail quarterly member contribution statements.
- Budget coordination October-January.
- Track annual offering pledges and enter into contribution system.
- Year-end finance system close-out.
- Financial records storage/destruction.
- Complete Finance section of annual ELCA parochial report.
- Assist with internal audit of financial records.

REQUIREMENTS

Knowledge of accounting principles and ability to learn First Lutheran's financial systems. Attention to detail; strong organizational skills; ability to detect and correct problems; ability to perform multiple tasks; good interpersonal and analytical skills; good communication skills (written and spoken); computer knowledge and proficiency (Microsoft Excel); ability to work alone or in a team environment; ability to manage time well; self-motivated; flexible. Maintain confidentiality.

COMPENSATION: The accountant will be paid on an hourly basis for services provided. Wage is commensurate with experience.

TO APPLY: Send cover letter and resume to Pastor Erin Heidelberger at **pastorerin@flclincoln.org** or mail/drop off at First Lutheran Church, 1551 S. 70th St., Lincoln, NE, 68506.