



Worship Team Information Sheet

PURPOSE & MISSION

Our purpose and mission is congruent with the church's statement, "to make passionate, maturing followers of Christ who are ready to reach out to the world." We engage and nurture the existing congregation, plus minister to the outside community.

Worship is the highest priority at Grace Community Church. Serving on the team is not a "gig" or "performance," but rather a self-sacrificial calling to serve God, celebrate His work, and spur each other on in Christ. We do not worship solely because we love God; we worship because *He* first loved us (*Hebrews 10:24, Romans 12:1, John 4:19*).

In order to best represent our congregation while appealing to new families, we play songs from a variety of styles and comfort zones. Some people may worship by lifting their hands or spontaneously singing, while others may prefer to stand still and simply meditate on the lyrics (*Psalms 63:4-7*). All are encouraged to keep open minds for new ideas which honor Christ.

STANDARDS

All worship team members are spiritual role models for Grace Community Church and Christ Himself. Such leaders are expected to have lives worthy of the calling and eager to maintain unity in the church (*Ephesians 4:1-3*). Spiritual maturity will be an ongoing consideration in the individual's qualifications to participate on worship team.

1-2 weeks before service, everyone serving on the team for that week will receive an email with details. All team members for that week are then expected to do the following:

- Set aside personal time throughout the week to practice each song
- Check email daily, communicate with others on the team, ask questions, and voice any possible concerns, whether they be ongoing or pertinent to a particular worship service
- Print copies of chord/lyric sheets for use on stage, as necessary
- Participate in team practice (Thursday from 7:00-9:00pm) and rehearsal/soundcheck (Sunday morning of the service, 8:30-9:30am). Practice and soundcheck are required for everyone serving on the main band each week.

SCHEDULING & REHEARSAL

Scheduling is done bimonthly via email. Singers, musicians, and children's music leaders will be prompted to submit their availability to the main worship leader every two months via email. Most singers and musicians will be scheduled for 1-2 Sundays per month, which may vary on an individual basis.

Each Sunday, we typically fill the following roles:

- **Worship leader** is the individual responsible for casting broad vision for each week's worship service, preparing songs and assisting musicians in learning them, working alongside tech people to ensure that service flows smoothly, and appearing as the "face" of the band in worship services.
- **Singers** are the main vocalists on the platform in addition to the worship leader. Singers should sing on pitch and have a working knowledge of music (*1 Chronicles 15:22*).
- **Musicians** are the instrumentalists. Musicians should have some level of proficiency on their instrument (*Psalms 33:3*). Many musicians sing background vocals while they play, although this is not required.
 - Musicians must have their own equipment. Although some equipment is provided (i.e. the drum set), musicians should still have their own equipment at home to practice with.
- **Children's music leader** assists Sunday school teacher(s) by leading children's songs to the entire group of children before they split into separate classes. Children's music leaders should not be part of the regular worship band on the same morning as leading children's music, but are encouraged to participate in worship team on other weeks.

MEET WITH US!

We are one body with many parts (*1 Cor. 12:12-27*). Please prayerfully consider if worship team is right for you. If you are interested or have questions/feedback, contact worship leader Simon Netznik via email (simnetz@gmail.com) or call/text (717-614-3102).

The church's doctrinal statements can be found at grace-cc.org.