

Worship team is a rotating pool of volunteer musicians who serve and engage the congregation in Sunday morning services "to make passionate, maturing followers of Christ who are ready to reach out to the world."

## **WELCOME**

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

In order to represent the existing congregation while focusing on outreach, we use songs from a variety of styles and comfort zones. Songs are carefully chosen based on their alignment with Scripture, congregational needs, and overall goals of Grace Community Church and the music/fine arts ministries. Some worshipers may lift their hands or sing spontaneously, while others prefer to sit still and simply meditate on the lyrics (Psalm 63:4-7). All are encouraged to keep open minds for new ideas which honor Christ.

## **STANDARDS**

<u>ALL</u> 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 church unity (Ephesians 4:1-3).

ALL team members serving on the band for a particular service are expected to:

- Set aside personal time throughout the week to practice (memorization encouraged)
- Check email daily, communicate with others, ask questions, voice concerns, etc.
- Print your own copies of chord/lyric sheets for use on stage, if necessary
- Participate in team practice (Thursday, 7-9pm) and soundcheck (Sunday, 8:30-9:30am)

## **SCHEDULING**

**Scheduling is done bimonthly via email**. Singers, musicians, and kids' 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.

Ideally, each of these roles are filled every Sunday:

- 1. **Worship Leader** is an ongoing role who casts vision & sets goals with Pastor, oversees development of various music/fine arts ministries, assists on social media, and completes scheduling & administrative tasks.
  - Under the Worship Leader's direction, others will be assigned to lead the team on certain weeks. This
    individual is responsible to arrive early and lead team rehearsals (as well as call additional rehearsals
    or cancel as necessary), lead soundcheck, collaborate with the tech team as well as anyone speaking
    during the service to ensure a detailed flow of service; and stay after service to teardown.
- 2. **Singers** are the main vocalists on the platform behind the worship leader. Singers should sing on pitch and have a working knowledge of music (1 Chronicles 15:22).
- 3. **Musicians** are the instrumentalists who comprise the band. Musicians should have some level of proficiency on their instrument (Psalm 33:3), as well as have their own equipment at home to practice.

## **CONNECT**

We are one body with many parts (1 Corinthians 12:12-27). Please prayerfully consider if worship team is where God wants to use you. To join, please contact Simon Netznik (email printed in each Sunday bulletin).