



Belief and Values

Thank you for showing interest in the Worship Ministry at Grace Point Church (San Diego). Here at Grace Point Church, we strive to dedicate ourselves not only to the arts (music, design, creativity), but a commitment to serve Jesus in all that we do. (Colossians 3:17)

With the task of facilitating worship at GPC, we are devoted to loving God and loving others through our resources to communicate the greatest love story to our community. We are intentional and serious about our role, therefore as a ministry we desire to live and uphold by these mandates:

We believe worship is transformational:

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” – Romans 12:1-2

We are called to clearly and specifically remind the church of what God has shown us about himself in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus came to live a perfect life, to die on a cross to atone for our sin, and rose again in three days to now reign as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

“For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.” -1 Corinthians 2:2

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures.” -1 Corinthians 15:3

“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.” -1 Peter 2:24

“In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” -1 John 4:10

We believe in acknowledging our dependence in God’s Spirit, and having eager expectations to see His Spirit empower, exhort, convict, or impress upon our planning and “normal” means of preparation to act/react humbly through faith and trust in the Spirit’s leading when we gather together.

“Jesus gave them this answer: “Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.” –John 5:19

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.” –John 14:26

“For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh” –Philippians 3:3

“At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.” -Revelation 4:2

We believe the Spirit’s power in our meetings go hand in hand with a radical commitment to the authority and sufficiency of God’s word. Our church cannot be Spirit-led unless they’re Word-fed. Singing and preaching are meant to exalt the glory of Christ in our hearts, minds, and wills. Our whole service is considered worship; the whole meeting should be filled with God’s Word.

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.” -2 Timothy 3:16

“Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,” –Ephesians 5:19

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.” –Colossians 3:16

We believe our role is to facilitate flow in corporate worship, motivate the church through scriptural truths, and proclaim the gospel through our example, encouragement, and exhortation on and off stage. But most importantly, we are to proclaim the gospel to ourselves and each other in the midst of our busy and messy lives.

“Those who look to Him are radiant.” – Psalm 34:5

“Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,” -1 Corinthians 15:1-4

*“Reminding ourselves of the gospel is the most important daily habit we can establish. If the gospel is the most vital news in the world, and if salvation by grace is the defining truth of our existence, we should create ways to immerse ourselves in these truths every day. No days off allowed.” –C.J. Mahaney, **Living the Cross Centered Life***

GPC Covenant Form

Time Commitments

One of the commitments in serving is your time invested in your craft, instrument, or given role. What does this look like?

- 1.) Actively planning out when you are available or unavailable to serve on a weekend.
- 2.) Coming prepared learning your parts to the point where you are comfortable to play and improvise or change things up on the fly.
- 3.) Showing up to rehearsals in a timely manner with personal equipment properly working and functioning.
- 4.) Committing to playing or being scheduled at least once a month so that you keep up to date with the vibe of the team.
- 5.) 2-3 hours spent in personal practice, 2 hours spent in band rehearsal, 1-2 hour spent for worship sets and attending one service.

Equipment

Musicians

Grace Point provides the necessary equipment for every rehearsal unless you plan to bring your own instruments. We recommend using the equipment available at the church, but also understand personal preferences for certain instruments or equipment. Guitarists can bring their own amps or use the church's amp. All cables needed to hook up the amps to the sound system will be provided unless they are personal run cables for amps and pedals. We use in-ear monitor systems so one must bring their own or invest in their own in-ear monitor (ask for more details if you need assistance finding a good pair of in-ears). Please advise Grace Point Church is not responsible for stolen or broken equipment when left unattended. Contact Carlton@gracepointsd.com if you have any special request or attention needed.

Technicians

Grace Point provides the necessary equipment and training for all of our technical requirements. Please contact Carlton@gracepointsd.com for any additional training or questions regarding sound or tech.

Team Values

1.) Costly Worship (2 Samuel 24:18-25, Genesis 4:1-4)

"I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God that cost me nothing."

Sure, 2018 looks quite different from the times of King David. We don't necessarily offer up burnt offerings anymore, but the bible does describe our prayer and worship as incense rising to the Lord (Psalm 141:2) In the same manner, we want to offer onto the Lord our "first fruits." Remember Cain and Abel? Not only did Abel bring the Lord his first fruits, but the best. This often is a reflection of our hearts: when we offer God our best, it shows our affection and honor towards Him. If we offer our leftover time and energy, we often present ourselves as lazy or uninterested. Our desire is to give God our best, and that will require a sacrifice to our personal time and energy.

2.) Keeping a Positive Attitude (Proverbs 17:22, Philippians 4:13,)

"Aptitude plus attitude determines altitude." –Lionel Richie

To put it quite frank: You can be the most talented and established player in the room, but if you have the wrong attitude, no one will want to work with you. Why? Because your attitude can change the dynamics of the team and can put a stall in the synergy of the room. There is something about keeping a positive attitude that allows others to feel encouraged and motivated to play better. It is also more fun and enjoyable when everyone is vibing together.

3.) GPC Core Values

I went over these core values a couple years ago. He is a reminder of all eight.

- Commitment to **Humility**: "How am I growing? How can I do this better?"
- Commitment to **Serving**: "How can I help you?"
- Commitment to **Excellence**: "Is this my best?"
- Commitment to **Others**: "How can I demonstrate your value?"
- Commitment to **Devotion**: "What fruit am I producing?"
- Commitment to **Ownership**: "If this was 'my problem,' what would I be doing?"
- Commitment to **Unity**: "Am I an island? Am I involved?"
- Commitment to the **Gospel**: "If I was the only one, would I still be here?"
- Commitment to **Creativity**: "Is there a different way to or approach to communicate the gospel?"

4.) Serving the Church

We all play a certain role in ministering to the church. Some more so than others, but our role should be intentional in how we interact and become present in people's lives. Our role isn't just to "nail the gig," or to do a job. Instead, we want to be serving the church not just with our gifts, but in participating and attending one service on the Sunday we are present, being available and open to conversing and engaging with our congregation, and helping to improve or better our worship ministry. We want to represent our love for God and our love for people on and off stage. This is a hit to our ego, but there are no rock stars in the worship ministry. Rather, we want to be approachable and genuine when we have opportunities for people to chat with us or even thank us for the music. This builds community and breaks down preconceptions between the "band" and the congregation.

5.) Enjoyment

Serving in the worship ministry is one of the best ways to serve God and the church. We get to play music, use awesome equipment, and do all of this among friends who happen to be exceptional people and gifted people. We want people to know we enjoy what we do, and what a privilege it is to serve them in this manner. What we do for the Lord is never meant to be a chore, but an expression of our affection towards God and passion for the gift of music and the arts.

Please fill out:

Name: _____ Today's Date: ____/____/____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Cell Phone: (____)____--____ Home Phone: (____)____--____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Email: _____

Status (*circle*): *Single – Married*

Accountability: *Involved in Small Group, Church (if attending another one), or Other (if other please explain):* _____

Contact Name and # of Leader of Small Group, Church, or Other: _____

Current Church Home: _____

Availability:

What are your usual days/times of work? _____

Do you have any regular time commitments on Sunday mornings or weeknights?

The Worship & Arts Department uses Planning Center Online for scheduling, music charts/mp3's, and communication for rehearsal prep.

Do you have regular access to a computer, and the internet? ___ Yes ___ No

I am a: (Circle all that apply)

Vocalist

List range (Soprano, alto, tenor, bass or unknown) or any training or experience you've had

Instrumentalist: List all applicable instruments and skill level or years played

Signed Agreement/Commitment

***This is basically a way to you up into a higher place of accountability over the average church attendee in lieu of the fact that you will be in a place of leadership within the church.

Upon reading the above expectations, I (fill in your name, not “definitely,” or “most certainly”) _____ have read and clearly understand the Grace Point Worship Ministry Guidelines and Expectations and will take my role seriously as a minister and contributor to the church.

Signature: _____ (electronic signature accepted)

Print Name: _____

Date: _____