

# Bayside Worship Team Overview

Our church exists to help people *connect* with God and people, *grow* in faith and character, *serve* God and others and *reach* out to our community and beyond. Our worship team lives out that vision in three distinct ministry areas:

## Connect & Serve: Weekend Services

Our worship team leads musical worship for our congregation, focusing on drawing people in to worship the living God! We use music to craft creative moments in which people can connect with the Lord. Our consistent aim is that *everyone* in the room is engaged in worshiping Christ (it ain't just the musicians that are on the worship team!) and responding to Him. While this is the most obvious ministry venue for our worship teams, there are two other key areas.

## Grow: The Greenhouse

We see worship team as a vehicle through which people can grow their skills. Excellence in music is a high value around here because we want to bring our best to the Lord in worship. Whether the hope is to be a good recreational musician, a semi-pro or even pro musician, we offer training and mentoring to help people maximize the gifts God has given them. Our goal for every musician who gets involved is that they grow dramatically in their musical skill; so it's important that every person who joins our team comes as a learner, committed to get better. None of us are there yet:)

## Reach: The Road

Our teams minister in settings beyond weekend worship services. We play for community outreach events, mission trips, camps, other churches, conferences, schools, and more. We have some incredible opportunities to partner with other ministries and get to see how God is working all over the place. These ministry opportunities help build community among our musicians, resource other ministries, and give our church an extended ministry outside our region.

# Joining the Bayside Worship Team

We are so glad you are interested in joining the Bayside worship team! Our team leads the musical worship for our congregation (and beyond), desiring to engage and inspire people to worship the Lord Jesus. We aim to be a community of relational, servant hearted musicians that strive for excellence and model a God-honoring lifestyle. Here's the process for getting involved...

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## Meet with me.

I like to meet with every person interested in joining our team. It's a pretty informal, low key hangout so I can get to know you a bit, hear about your journey with the Lord, and listen to you sing/play. There's an application that I'll ask you to fill out ahead of time and we'll talk through that together. I'll also answer any questions you may have and provide you with some info about how our team runs from week to week (rehearsals, schedule, expectations, etc.). Don't sweat this meeting; it's not a heavy handed audition, it really is just to get know one another better!

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## Come to rehearsals for awhile.

Because our musical standard is pretty high and we want you to position you for success, I'll ask you to start attending worship team rehearsals on Saturday afternoons at 3pm for a few weeks before your first Sunday onstage. I have found this really helps new team members get to know others, familiarize themselves with our music & style, and get a level of comfort before playing on Sundays. Along with this I may recommend some more private lessons on your instrument.

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## Play at weekend services regularly.

When I sense that you are ready for Sundays (comfortable with the music, able to make a solid musical contribution, etc.), we'll start scheduling you for weekend services. Typically it's once a month, but it can be more or less depending on how much you'd like to play. We help set up and tear down equipment and have a great time leading worship!