



# GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## Worship Team Covenant

2016-2017

### Purpose

The Grace Community Church worship ministry exists to model and facilitate Biblical worship in a corporate setting. Our definition of Biblical worship is "the right response of the believer's heart to God's self-revelation."

### Vision

We sing, play our instruments, provide technical support, etc., for God's glory and His pleasure. Our active participation should be an expression of our praise and worship to God. It is also a way to model and inspire those in the congregation to do the same. It is never about us; it is always about Him and the people we are serving.

The songs that are selected for the services each week are chosen and evaluated primarily on their lyrical content. Musical style is a secondary consideration; we will attempt to incorporate a wide variety of musical styles, including hymns in traditional and contemporary settings, as well as modern worship music. By using a variety of styles, we hope to encourage multiple generations to lift their hearts and voices together in worship, realizing that everyone is compromising somewhat on their personal preferences for the sake of unity.

### Worship Team Covenant

This is a covenant among worship team members and with God. In following the example of how God deals with us, we will seek to function under the realm of grace and mercy at all times, realizing that none of us is perfect and yet understanding that, through Christ, what we need for life and godliness has been abundantly supplied to us through faith. Agreement and adherence to the following commitments (our covenant) are required to be a part of the worship team (vocal, instrumental and tech) of Grace Community Church.

1. **Servant Attitude** - I commit to developing and demonstrating a servant's attitude and heart, with the understanding that participating on the worship team is an act of privileged service to God and the church body. I will hold this ministry with an "open hand," leaving up to the Lord and the leadership all questions regarding the scope of my involvement.
2. **Committed Participation at GCC** – I commit to regularly attend the worship services at Grace Community Church (not only when serving), to participate in other aspects of church and body life as I am able, and to submit myself to the leadership of GCC and their authority.
3. **Family Support** – If married, I have discussed my involvement in the worship ministry with my spouse and have his or her support concerning my role on the Worship Team.
4. **Spiritual Maturity** – I understand that serving and leading in worship requires that I have an ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ. I commit to seek a deeper and more dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ as a follower of Him through involvement in opportunities that will encourage and facilitate growth in this relationship and with other believers.
5. **Testimony** – I understand that the congregation at GCC is looking to me to model a lifestyle of worship. I commit myself to living a consistent lifestyle that is honoring to God and worthy of imitation.
6. **Time Commitment** – I commit myself to faithful practice and preparation for involvement in rehearsals and corporate worship times. I agree to be on time and prepared for the start of rehearsal sessions and all scheduled call times. If I am unable to participate or will be late, I will make every effort to contact the leader to whom I am responsible. If I miss a scheduled rehearsal, I understand that the appointed leader of the team will decide if participation in the Sunday service is appropriate.
7. **Teamwork and Unity** – I commit myself to be accountable to each member of the worship team. I will strive to protect the unity of the team and to share in the responsibilities of the team. I will endeavor to deal with each team member with an attitude of patience and understanding and to have a "teachable spirit."
8. **Rehearsals** – I understand that rehearsal times should be opportunities to learn new things, to have talents/gifts nurtured, and to have our souls nourished. We are not just learning words, parts, beats, rhythms, or chord changes; we are preparing to lead a portion of the body of Christ in worship. I commit to do my part to make rehearsal times positive and lighthearted and to examine my ego, attitude, and servant's heart before arriving so that team members can enjoy being together and are able to make music for the glory of God.
9. **Communication** – I understand that open and honest communication is of vital importance to our team. If I have questions or would like to discuss this covenant at any time before, during, or after I complete it, I will contact Jonathan Phillips, Worship & Discipleship Pastor.

I have read and agree to enter the GCC Worship Team Covenant from August 2016 to July 2017.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_