

## Community Chapel Worship Ministry

### Mission Statement, Core Values, and Covenantal Practices

**STATEMENT OF IDENTITY:** *As Community Chapel Church of the Nazarene we are seeking to become fully devoted followers of Jesus, sent into the world to participate in His mission, wherever we find ourselves*

**THE MISSION:** *We Exist...To share God's hope wherever we find ourselves.*

**OUR CORE VALUES:** *Our Core Values represent for us commitments of obedience to God that we seek to keep as participants in God's mission. They include:*

- We are to **DEPEND** on God through prayer.
- We are to **GROW** in relationship with Jesus.
- We are to participate in our **COMMUNITY** as part of our relationship with Jesus.
- We are to be a **LEARNING** community.
- We are to be a **SENT** community revealing the Good News of Jesus.
- We are to express **COMPASSION** by being aware of and loving the broken among us.
- We are to promote a healthy **STEWARDSHIP** of life and ministry.
- The **MISSION** trumps everything.

### **Our Mission in Reflecting the Heart of God in Worship**

As an expression of and in support of the mission and core values of Community Chapel, the Worship Ministry seeks to reflect the heart of God in worship – both privately and corporately. We do this in honor and service to God by offering our gifts and talents to the Lord. We desire that during our times of worship, each person that walks through the doors would encounter God in such a way that there is growth and transformation, and that they would be led to reaffirm or begin for the first time our commitment to be a part of God's mission in the world.

### **Core Values We Express**

**As a member of the worship ministry at Community Chapel, I covenant to commit to the following core values:**

- We are called to be faithful stewards of the responsibility God has given to us in this area.
- We are called to be pursuers of God's heart – as individuals and as a body of believers.
- We are called to be a community that is pursuing to make Christ known in the world.
- We are called to offer all that we do from a heart of gratitude for all God has done for us.
- We are called to ensure that all we do is done in service to God alone.
- We are committed to faithful attendance at Community Chapel – even when we are not scheduled to serve in the worship ministry.

## **Covenantal Practices We Embrace**

**CORE** - We realize the significance and importance of understanding the foundations of true worship, and we commit to furthering our knowledge of these foundations. God desires a heart that follows Him, and we commit to worshipping Him not only with our instruments and our voices but also with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength. Psalm 103:1 "Bless the Lord O my soul and ALL that is within me BLESS His holy name!". Worship is a lifestyle and not an event and we want our life to be a living sacrifice for Him.

**In being a member of the worship ministry at Community Chapel, I covenant to commit to the following covenantal practices:**

- We are open to being led by and welcome any feedback from the leadership which includes the Worship Pastor, Pastoral Staff, Sound team leader, PowerPoint team leader, and weekly Worship Planners

**CHARACTER – We commit to developing our personal character to mirror that of Christ through these and other practices:**

**(Mark 12:30-31; John 15:1-17; Romans 12:1-6; Hebrews 10:19-23; Hebrews 13:15; 2 Peter 1:5-8; 2 Peter 3:18)**

- We seek to be reflections of Christ-like character
- We are people of prayer – as prayer is a core value of our church, it is a core value and practice for our ministry
- We are people that recognize the importance of our personal daily devotional and prayer time
- We recognize that worship is a lifestyle to be lived out each and every day
- We are united in our bond as brothers and sisters in Christ and we are united in mission and values
- We value the spiritual, physical, emotional, and relational health of our members
- We are accountable to each other
- We are flexible and do not allow our personal preferences to get in the way of our purpose (to glorify God) or the health of the team
- We are trustworthy
- We also have fun!
- We guard our attitude and our interactions with others
- We practice modesty
- We are encouraging of one another
- We are committed to serving one another
- We seek to resolve conflicts Biblically and in a timely manner so as to not create disunity among us

**CRAFT and COMMITMENT – We recognize that God has given us with the opportunity to serve Him with our gifts and talents. We strongly believe that God honors excellence and that we should give our very best to Him in worship through many means including the following:**

**(1 Corinthians 10:31-33; Philippians 2:1-4; Colossians 3:16-17, 23-24)**

- We are continuing to grow in our technical abilities
- We are willing to ask for help in order to grow in our given area
- We are committed to practicing our music prior to our scheduled weekly rehearsals
- We are committed to arriving on Sunday mornings with our music and instruments prepared for the run-through
- We openly share ideas about new music, new software, new equipment, instrumentation changes, etc.
- We see mentoring others as an act of discipleship
- We are responsible for learning music before our scheduled rehearsals
- We are responsible to care for the equipment that belongs to the church – instruments, microphones, sound board, PowerPoint computer, etc.
- We are committed to this church and committed to this ministry
- We are committed to attending worship services, rehearsals, team meetings, team trainings, times of service to our community, and times of fellowship
- We are on-time for rehearsals, sound checks, services, team meetings, and activities – valuing and respecting the time of others
- We are committed to communicating clearly when we need to be absent for any given week. We will reach out to the Worship Pastor to ensure this gets clearly indicated on the Worship Ministry Calendar. (Any changes must be verbalized to and approved by the Worship Pastor)

**COMMUNITY – We recognize that the life of faith was never intended to be lived out alone. Therefore, we value community and being a committed part of this community as important to our Spiritual growth. As leaders in this body, we ought to be engaged visibly and fully in the culture and life of this church – for the benefit of the body and ourselves. We seek to live this out in the following ways:**

**(Acts 2:44-47; Romans 12:3-12; 1 Corinthians 1:10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-6, 12-26; 1 Corinthians 13; Ephesians 4:2-6; Colossians 3:12-15; Hebrews 10:24-25; Hebrews 13:1;**

- We are a part of and serve in other ministries in the church outside of the worship ministry
- We love God, love people, and love our world
- We are genuinely seeking to get to know the other members of our team
- We are committed to praying for the other members of our team
- We are actively engaged in the life of the church – through our time, resources, and our giving
- We are faithfully committed to attend church and participate in worship services, journey groups, etc. even when we are not scheduled to participate in this ministry
- We are committed to being in the worship services during the message on the Sundays we are scheduled. Participation in the prayer room or attending a journey group during the message of one service is highly encouraged!

- We are actively seeking to build relationships with the people of Community Chapel – both with in our areas of ministry and among the general congregation
- We are committed to being involved in church-wide events, to the best of our ability

Because I am making a significant commitment and my presence is important, I agree to be consistent and on time to the ministry I have committed to. I have read the above values and covenant and I agree to uphold this covenant for as long as I am a part of the worship ministry at Community Chapel. I agree to be held accountable in love by ministry leadership for maintaining the mission, values, and practices set forth here.

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Signature

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Date

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Worship Pastor Signature

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Date

**Worship Pastor Commitment:**

*So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. – Ephesians 4:11-13*

As the pastor that oversees this ministry in the church I commit to doing my very best to train, equip, support, and care for you as a team member in the Community Chapel Worship Ministry, not only seeking to grow the ministry through your involvement but also seeking to help you grow as a Christ-follower through this ministry.

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