

**Director of Worship Ministries  
Board Report- July 2025**

**Wins**

-I made a "slight" change to the slides these past two Sunday.

1- I removed the backgrounds from the lyrics. The reasoning being that I was wondering if even though the backgrounds bring beauty to the service, were they taking too much attention away from the words on the screens?

2- On certain songs and certain portions of those songs, I have included a scripture that the song references or pulls it's theme from that scripture. The reasoning for this one is I want to make sure we bring people back to truth and to show them that we aren't singing things that just feel good.

When I was visiting my sister in KY at a fellow C&MA church, I saw both of these things implemented in their services. It was so cool to see God giving me examples for/answers to things that I had been wrestling with and trying to find ways to change things effectively. And these were two ways I could change with minimal risk and effort, but with the possibility of great reward.

And sure enough, the past two Sundays, more than one person has mentioned how having the scriptures under the lyrics has been powerful for them in more ways than one. No feedback on not having the backgrounds anymore, so until I do receive feedback (positive or negative), I'm going to continue without them as it is easy to reimplement them at a moment's notice.

-We have another interested volunteer for the production booth who has experience at his previous church. Looking to train/have him shadow in the next few weeks.

-We executed rerouting the drums to the soundboard as suggested by our Sound Auditor and while there are still quirks and kinks to figure out, the sound engineers are already seeing an improvement on their end. The new routing isn't translating as well as I would like in our in ears, so I may need to pull the Auditor back in, OR I also have someone particularly experienced with electric drum kit sounds who might be willing to volunteer time to help us hone that in.

**Ministry Challenges I'm Facing**

-Christmas is going to be more challenging than years past due to some big ideas/dreams and I want to not only steward our time well, but also our resources. Still working out what we'll actually need and making my budget fall in line with that.

-Getting the drums handled has been a big undertaking and while we are almost there, we still have some work to do and it's been pretty tiring getting it all to work.

-I love getting song suggestions from the church/congregation, but lately it feels like I can't introduce/include songs fast enough. I know it's not my job to include every song every person likes, but it is a little overwhelming trying to be selective of what we need/should include while also maintaining familiarity.

**Goals for the Next 30 Days**

-Budgeting and executing Christmas

-Send out the "youth takeover service" plans for LIFE Sunday and prepare for rehearsal(s)

-Orientation for Discovery Worship Teams on August 3rd