

CALLED TO WORSHIP!

You were created for worship. This is the final end of all existence: the worship of God. God created the universe so that it would display the worth of His glory. God created us so that we would see this glory and reflect it in our own lives by knowing it and loving it with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

At Immanuel, we use music as a language to worship God. The language of music unites us and enables us as a congregation to worship from deep within our hearts. The language of music helps us actively approach God's throne in worship. Music calls us and gathers us. It prepares our hearts to hear God's Word. Music draws others in as it is a language we can all understand no matter our age or our background. Singing music helps anyone to actively participate in worship and is a way to help us memorize



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HOW CAN I JOIN THE WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM?





GETTING INVOLVED IN WORSHIP MINISTRIES

There are many opportunities to get involved with worship ministries at Immanuel. Musicians can easily find a place to participate in our adult and children's choirs, worship teams, and instrumental ensembles. Others use their gifts in sound, video, lighting, and computers to help us lead worship each week. Still others use their gift in decorating, visual arts, floral design, building, and designing. We are a "servant-oriented" ministry and would love for you to join us.

Our Goals:

1. We seek to do everything to the glory of God alone in the strength that He supplies (1 Peter 4:11).
2. We will strive to be a people immersed in the Word and characterized by prayer (Colossians 3:16).
3. We will endeavor, by God's grace, to be a loving, forbearing and forgiving people (Romans 15:5-6).
4. We will work hard in rehearsal, seeking by faith to play, sing, or perform any task asked with "undistracting excellence" to the best of our abilities as God gifts us (Romans 12:6).
5. We will prepare our hearts to lead by meditating on God's Word, communicating with Him through prayer, and in confession and repentance of sin (Psalm 51:10-12).
6. We will seek in our worship services to transparently savor the glory of God by

being satisfied with all that He is for us in Christ (Psalm 9:1-2).

7. We will seek to redirect any praise we receive to the One who is ultimately praiseworthy, Christ alone (Galatians 6:14).

First Steps:

1. Written application: We ask all prospective members to fill out the written application sheet.
2. Audition/Interview: Some ministry positions such as Worship Team and Worship Band require auditions. Other ministry positions such as sound, projection, decorating, or designing, require an interview. After receiving your application, you will be contacted to set up a meeting time.
3. On the pathway to membership at IBC: We ask that you are a member or are moving along the path toward membership at IBC. We will happily provide you with information on an upcoming Pastor's Forum, and try to answer any questions or concerns you may have.
4. Commitment to rehearsals and worship services: We ask that you make every effort to participate in all rehearsals. For Worship Team vocalists, this includes the Sunday afternoon choir rehearsal, as this is our primary time to learn new songs and polish parts. Being on time and ready to lead is a very important part of worship ministry leadership in all roles. We also ask that you are on time and with us for pre-service prayer times each week you lead.
5. Commitment to coming prepared to lead in your role: This means practicing and learning new

songs—singers knowing the lyric and their part whether melody or harmony, those on sound and lights taking the time to get to know the gear and software.

6. Prayer Partner: It is strongly recommended that you find a prayer partner who will commit to praying for you, especially on the Sundays you participate in worship.
7. Deferrals: On occasion, it may be necessary to ask prospective team members to wait awhile before participating in our worship leadership teams. The reasons for this request may be related to competency, spiritual maturity, personal circumstances, etc. Be assured that we will lovingly and confidentially communicate the "Why?" behind this decision. Also, we may direct you to a place of ministry better suited to your areas of apparent giftedness.

Complete application and send to:

Pastor Mike Fischer

mf@ibcwausau.org

Worship Ministry Team Application

Thank you for your interest in Worship Ministry!

This application helps us to get to know you. We'll be in touch with you soon.

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Birthday _____

Phones: Home _____ Mobile _____ Work _____

Occupation _____ How long at IBC? _____ Member? _____

For Instrumentalists: What instruments? _____

Do you have your own instrument? Yes _____ No _____

For Vocalists: What part do you sing? _____

Have you had any formal training? (What kind and where?) _____

Other Musical Experience _____

Are you 100% sure that if you died today that you would go to heaven? _____

Suppose you were to die today and stand before God and He were to say to you, "Why should I let you into My heaven?" what would you say? _____

Please return this application to the church office along with a one-page testimony describing your conversion and current relationship with Jesus, as well as one or two sentences as to why you want to join the Worship Ministry Team.

***For more information, don't hesitate to call or write Pastor Mike at
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