

CCMC Choir and Worship Team Regulations

Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name;

Make known His deeds among the peoples!

Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works!

1 Chronicles 16:8-9 (NJKV)

Purpose:

1. Glorify the Lord through songs in gatherings and proclaim the gospel of the Lord.
2. Promote spiritual growth of team members through serving in worship of the Lord.
3. Strengthen fellowship among worship team members and promote unity within the church through sharing, praying, caring, and helping one another.
4. Cultivate talents in church sacred music ministry.

Missions:

1. Represent and lead the congregation in prayer and hymn worship during Sunday services or special gatherings.
2. Participate in various evangelistic activities, bearing witness to the name of the Lord through songs.
3. Enhance music service abilities through music theory learning and skill training.

Worship Team:

1. Consists of a worship leader and team members.
2. Responsibilities include leading the congregation in worship and praise of the Lord.

Choir:

1. Committee members: choir director, conductor, artistic director, secretary, caring coworker, section lead coworkers.
2. Responsibilities:
 - Choir Director: Responsible for choir discipline, attendance, spiritual devotions, financial management, organizing various learning and fellowship activities, external communications, reporting to the church deacon board, convening committee meetings, recruiting new members.

- Conductor and Artistic Director: Responsible for music scores, leading rehearsals and performances, coordinating with accompanists, organizing music theory and skill training.
 - Secretary: Responsible for choir music, robes, material management, member registration, financial records, and other logistical work.
3. Term: Two to three years.
 4. Election: After the term of the choir director expires, nominations are made by the choir committee, approved by the worship deacon and Shepherding Team, and affirmed through voting by all choir members. The remaining committee members are invited by the newly elected choir director.

Qualifications for Joining Worship Team and Choir:

1. Professing Christians who have been baptized.
2. Active members of CCMC church, regularly attending Sunday services, agreeing to abide by the church constitution, bylaws and disciplines, enthusiastic about spreading the gospel.
3. Called by God to serve in sacred music ministry, willingly submitting and participating in choir practices and service.

Procedure for Joining Worship Team and Choir:

1. Register with the worship leader or choir director or accept their invitation.
2. The senior pastor, worship deacon, and worship leader or choir director will discuss and make decision together on whether to accept new worship team member.
3. Register with the choir secretary, receive robes and music folders.

Basic Discipline Regulations:

1. Rehearsals:
 - Worship team rehearsal time is arranged by the worship leader according to service needs.
 - Choir rehearsal time: starts at around 1:30 PM and ends at around 2:30 PM every Sunday (no rehearsal on performance Sundays).
 - Arrive on time, begin with prayer, bring your own music folders.
 - During rehearsal: pay attention and follow all instructions and arrangements from the choir conductor and artistic director; do not hold sidebar conversations or leave casually.

- End of rehearsal: choir member will take turns to lead the closing prayer.
- Absence: notify the choir director or worship leader in advance if unable to attend rehearsal or performance.

2. Choir Performances:

- Arrive one hour before Sunday services (9:00 AM), wear robes, receive performance folders distributed by the secretary, sit in order, and be led in prayer by committee members. After prayer, maintain quietness, and refrain from talking, making phone calls, or using phones.
- After performance, exit in order, maintain quietness and worship decorum until the end of the service.
- Return folders to the secretary after the service, keep music scores and robes and store properly.

3. Withdrawal/Termination:

- Choir members must inform the choir director in advance and return robes and music folders if they need to withdraw. Worship team members should inform the worship leader in advance to avoid affecting worship service.
- If choir or worship team member(s) commit serious moral misconduct or deviate from faith, their membership will be immediately suspended and they will receive counseling from the Shepherding Team. If they do not sincerely repent after counseling, their membership will be terminated.

Bylaws:

Amendments or revisions to these regulations must be approved by the CCMC Pastor-Elder-Deacon Board meeting to take effect.

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