

## Ministry Title: **Praise Team Leader**

### **Qualifications:**

1. Committed Christian faith.
2. Possess and demonstrate strong interpersonal and worship leadership skills.
3. Comfortable leading other musicians, including nurturing volunteers of varying musical abilities.
4. Able to work collaboratively with other staff and worship leadership.
5. Knowledge and understanding of church music and the ability to incorporate contemporary worship music as part of the broader musical expression of the church.
6. Ability to lead worship vocally and Piano / Keyboard or Guitar skills preferred

### **Position Goal:**

The role of the Praise Team Leader is to support the ministry of First Baptist Church through inviting, equipping and leading vocalists and instrumentalists working together to bring their gifts in support of the worship service(s) of the church. As a staff member, they will be considered part of the Worship Team of the church.

### **The Role of the Praise Team:**

- Supporting and enhancing the congregation's expression of worship.
- Together with other facets of the church's Music Ministry, to provide a diverse expression of music that reflects the worship languages of multiple generations and backgrounds.
- Reflecting the church's intergenerational values, creating team(s) that seek to include people of various ages and backgrounds in shared ministry.
- Functioning not only as worship support but in itself seeking to be a formative experience and expression of church community where people form meaningful healthy connections with one another, have opportunities to grow spiritually, and grow in the ability to help others connect more deeply with God through the act of corporate worship.

The Praise Team Leader will therefore be responsible for:

### **Communication:**

- Ensuring that all members of the praise team are informed about their responsibilities and roles in upcoming worship services(s) and that they have the resources and rehearsal time to prepare.
- Planning, leading, and communicating regular rehearsals
- Communicating A/V needs to the Worship Arts Coordinator (i.e., exact version of lyrics, appropriate copyright information, etc.) in a timely manner.
- Participating in the planning and preparation of the worship service(s) as part of the Worship Team (Worship Staff and Worship Chairperson.) This will involve being part of the selecting appropriate songs for the service (s) with the Worship Team.

### **Worship Leadership:**

- Participating in the overall leadership of worship service(s), in coordination with the Worship Committee, Music staff, and Senior Pastor. Specifically, in the leadership of the Praise Team, with additional roles in the service as agreed on.
- Participating in special services (Christmas, Easter, etc.) as needed.

- Preparing people for worship before the service(s) through prelude music where appropriate and in prayer.

**Team Development:**

- Inviting and developing a core volunteer Sunday morning Praise team, including instrumentalists and vocalists.
- Securing substitute leaders, instrumentalists, and vocalists for the praise team as needed. Substitutes may be volunteers from within the FBC congregation or occasional outside musicians paid according to the recommended fee schedule set by the worship committee.
- Supporting additional worship services, by inviting and coordinating praise musicians and singers as needed.
- Developing and expanding the list of praise music for use in worship service, in line with the church's goals for diverse expressions of music.
- Support praise team by adapting/adjusting music for congregation and singers' ability
- Attending music conferences and workshops as desired and approved.

**Time Commitment:**

An average of 4 hours / week through year, leading the praise team 46 Sundays annually.

**Accountability:**

- The Praise Team Leader will report to the Senior Pastor in consultation with the Worship Chairperson.