

**MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM 2011**  
**Serving at All Saints Church**

# ALL SAINTS ANCHORSHOLME

## MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM

The recent change of name reflects that although we bring musical talents to our church, we do so to serve each other and to minister to God. The use of these gifts at All Saints Anchorsholme provides the opportunity for the people of God to draw near to their Creator, Saviour and Lord. As that relationship with Him begins and then develops, so our worship deepens and grows stronger. In worship we give and receive from God. He is the focus of our worship and it is our delight to submit our gifts to His honour and glory.

## OUR STYLES OF WORSHIP

The Music Ministry Team provides a mixture of styles and is mindful of the mission-based focus of the church. Consideration of the varied members of our worshipping body is always in our hearts. Through prayer, Biblical exhortation and encouragement, and personal endeavour, we seek to draw near to God, confident that he has sought us out.

We recognise that music selection, and excellence, contribute towards the tone of our services. This can be an attractive quality to guests and visitors attending our services and we understand that this consideration of the outsider is a central message of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We challenge ourselves to remain mindful of those who do not yet know “why” we worship, but pray that they might be confident that we are sincere and passionate in our convictions and through our ministry see our Servant King.

The Music Ministry Leader spends time in prayer, upholding the team and serving with accountability and relationship the Church Body. They are entrusted with the appropriate stewardship of the gifts submitted to the church for this purpose.

Songs come into our fellowship through many personal and corporate experiences. We use the term “season” to describe an area of emphasis that God is addressing as we meet together. The Worship Leaders corporately select songs that affirm the gospel truth and which reflect the theme that God is communicating to our church through His Holy Spirit (as revealed in their own devotion preparations and through directional materials).

The overall intent of each service begins with outlines from the Church Leadership Team, who set the services and topics, and is then further developed by Service Leaders, Worship Leaders and other participants in church life. Our Sunday services typically have the following styles:

- The **8.45am Service** follows the Common Book of Prayer and Traditional liturgies. The Service Leader chooses music using pre-recorded music.

There are other services throughout the year that are “Traditional”. Organ hymns and choral music feature in conjunction with liturgy.

- Our **10.30am Service** contains family praise and children's songs as the children are in the service to begin. Then there is some extended worship with either two songs together or during the service of Holy Communion. Occasionally members of the Music Ministry Team will minister in solos rather than corporate songs. Often this service will end with a hymn or a "modern classic".

In monthly **All Age Services** the children stay for the whole service. Songs are chosen to engage the younger members of our church. We have fun and teach children by example that God is for them too. Participation by younger musicians and children is invaluable.

- Our **6:30pm Evening Service** is less formal. We spend time in extended corporate worship. Songs that challenge our Christian living are common and many new songs are introduced at this service. Worship Leaders give direction and encourage free worship.

### **Vision for the Team**

Our purpose is to see others meet Jesus and reach their potential in Him. This is the foundation of all the ministries at All Saints and this underpins the vision of this area of the church too. (Colossians 1:28)

1. **We recognize** that Christ alone is the atonement for our sinful nature but in Him we are made new.
2. **We are affirmed** by God and not swayed in all directions.
3. **We aim** as individuals to live contagious Christian lives and pray that our passion for God is seen at all times.
4. **We immerse** ourselves in worship knowing that out of what God gives to us, we can give to others.
5. **We dare** to be obedient and are willing to give our all.

**We believe worship** is Christ centred and Spirit enabled.

**We believe worship** requires integrity.

**We believe worship** stems from commitment to and love of God.

**We believe worship** is a choice that must be made each and every day.

**We believe worship** is real and honest, unafraid to be needy, broken and surrendered.

**We believe worship** can be fun.

**We believe worship** is exciting and lively, understood by the least and yet a mystery to the wise.

**We believe worship** will glorify God when we represent Jesus to a lost world.

**We believe worship** should be an attractive and assured proclamation of Christ's victory.

**We believe worship** confronts, equips, enables and releases us into the purpose God has for us as individuals and as a body.

**We believe worship is all this . . . and so much more!**