

WELCOME TO CROSSWALK WORSHIP

I am so happy that you have decided to be a part of what God is doing through our Church by adding what you have in your hand to the Worship and Creative Arts Team! The heartbeat and calling of what we are so honored to do, no matter what the task may be, is simply to lift up the Name of Jesus and make *Him* what people see above all else.

John chapter 4:23-24 in the Message says so beautifully, *“It’s who you are and the way you live that count before God. Your worship must engage your spirit in the pursuit of truth. That’s the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship. God is sheer being itself-Spirit. Those who worship Him must do it out of their very being, their spirits, their true selves, in adoration.”*

We are always so thankful as God continues to add to our Team, but the most important thing (actually way more important than talent) is a love for Jesus Christ that is readily seen. My prayer for you as you come to offer your gift is that you know how deeply loved you are by Jesus and that out of that revelation, your heart response would always be WORSHIP. God doesn’t look for perfect people to worship Him, (thank goodness!) He simply looks for a willing heart in one who is honestly transparent before Him. This is something that has to be a prayer we all pray everyday as we come to worship Jesus. John 4 is not something that I believe we “arrive at” but instead are always praying towards!

Wherever you are in your journey, there IS a place for you in our Church and on this TEAM!! Thank you for being willing to offer your gifts and talents and for adding VALUE to the Kingdom of God as you do! I look forward to getting to know you and learning how we as a Church can continue to help you reach towards all that is Jesus. WE LOVE YOU ALREADY!

With Love,

Bethany xx
Worship Pastor
CrossWalk Church

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

Welcome! We want to explain some details about the Team so you can be fully aware of everything as you get more involved. Please read below for general information, as well as more details on band, choir, and production.

Scheduling. We use a website called Planning Center and communicate primarily through emails that are linked to Planning Center. Once you provide us with your email,

you will receive a welcome email from Planning Center where you can then set up your account and edit your scheduling preferences. It is important that you check your email to review the service plan.

Confirmations. Once you are scheduled for a service, you will be automatically sent an email invitation (through Planning Center) asking you to confirm. Simply follow the link in the email or log in to the website to confirm or decline. Please confirm/decline no later than Wednesday so we can adjust as necessary for Sunday. If you decide to decline, please input a reason and try to make it the exception and not the norm.

Call Times. Call time is when rehearsal *starts*. That means please be on stage and ready to go. If you need to set up an instrument or if you are on the Production Team, please arrive 15 minutes prior to call time. Here are the call times for each location.

- Kingsway: 8:00am
- Norge: 8:00am
- Virginia Beach: 8:30am
- Newport News: 8:30am

Availability. Please make sure you always communicate your availability with your Team Leader. You can block out unavailable dates through Planning Center. It's important to communicate in advance as this will help your Team Leader plan accordingly and will help maintain the overall level of excellence throughout our team!

Rotation. The worship and production team at CrossWalk is large and this constitutes a need to rotate musicians, vocalists, and production team members. Because we are a multi-site church, we ask that everyone be willing to rotate between campuses if asked. This is most common between our Williamsburg campuses due to their close proximity. The Virginia Beach and Newport News teams are more permanent to their campus with the rare request to rotate based on what is needed within the team. We do our best to accommodate and will work with people who have conflicts. Please talk to us if there are any issues.

Participating in Services. For every service you're scheduled, we ask that you sit with the worship team near the front. It's important that together we hear the message so we can lead and respond together in unity. If you are unable to stay through all the services at your location, please let your Team Leader know prior to the service or event. In addition, we ask that the worship team be a part of Team Rallies at various services (ask your leader about the Team Rally at your scheduled campus).

Prior to service beginning, the Worship Team meets together to pray before going on stage.

- At **Kingsway campus**, worship team meets behind the pipe & drape on stage right 5 minutes before
- At **Norge campus**, worship team meets backstage on stage right 10 minutes before

- At **Virginia Beach campus**, worship team meets backstage on stage right behind pipe & drape 5 minutes before
- At **Newport News campus**, worship team meets backstage on stage left 10 minutes before

Dress Code: Please help us in standardizing our platform appearance across all our campuses so we can look our very best. We are confident everyone will do his or her part to look sharp and amazing as a group!

For choir, the colors will always be black pants with another color on top. If you have nothing in that color, you can always wear all black!

For frontline vocalists and band, there are no coordinating colors. You can wear what you want within the dress code provided below.

DRESS CODE:

- No sleeveless shirts/tanks on stage without a jacket
- No jeans on Sunday mornings except black
- Midweek services you may wear clean, dark wash jeans
- Clean closed toes shoes, unless they are heeled sandals
- No flip flops
- No shorts
- No skirts/dresses (tunics are fine with pants underneath)
- No messy/wrinkled outfits

VOCAL INFORMATION

WILLIAMSBURG VOCALS:

Singers start out in the choir, which is the funnel we use to determine frontline singers (on mics). **All our choir teams rotate between Norge AM and Kingsway AM services.** Every week, you will be communicated with via email and/or phone call about the following information:

- what **campus** your team will be at that weekend
- what the choir **color** will be that weekend

In order to stay engaged with each other, if you are absent on a Sunday after confirming, your Team Leader will also follow up just to make sure everything is okay with you. It will help us stay connected and know what's happening with each other. If you're unable to make a service last minute and have already confirmed on Planning Center, please let your choir Team Leader know (or one of the other leaders).

NEWPORT NEWS / VIRGINIA BEACH VOCALS:

At this time, there will be no choir at Virginia Beach or Newport News. For singers at

these locations, your leader will contact you regarding singing on frontline using mics. Your rotation in this role will be based on the size of the campus team and the specific needs for the worship.

FRONTLINE VOCALISTS:

If you are scheduled as a frontline singer, you will need a pair of headphones for in-ear monitors. Apple headphones are not recommended. We recommend noise-canceling headphones in a non-distracting color. If you're looking to purchase, a team leader can give you a link to affordable, reliable headphones that are used across the team. During worship while plugged into the system, please keep BOTH headphones in your ears to avoid the mic picking up the mix from your in-ears.

Please arrive at a service wearing appropriate dress code and don't forget to bring your smile! Be ready to worship with life and joy. You are singing about GOOD NEWS and being an example of worship to our church.

PRODUCTION INFORMATION

The production department plays such an important and impactful role in the ministry of CrossWalk Church! We make it possible for people in our services to encounter Jesus by creating a distraction-free atmosphere for God to move. And we're so glad you'll be joining us!

We have opportunities for you to use your gifts and interests in audio, video, lighting, sound, and stage management. Our all-team worship rehearsals on Thursday nights is the best forum to:

- train new team members
- become more confident in our abilities
- learn more in our area
- have collaborative discussions
- be encouraged by our Worship Pastor
- get to know one another

As the support team that facilitates the worship, it is important that we be there early to be ready to go when rehearsal starts. **Our call time will be 30 minutes before the main rehearsal — 6:00pm.**

We understand this timeframe will be difficult for our Virginia Beach and Newport News teams. If there are any issues with your availability, please discuss with your Campus Pastor or Campus Production Director.

CONTACT LIST

For questions regarding choir or vocals, please contact Destiny or Katie. For questions regarding band, please contact Landon. For questions regarding production, please

contact Adam.

Bethany Murdock
Worship Pastor
bethany.murdock@crosswalk.cc

Destiny Rothwell
Vocal Director
757-784-6089
destiny.rothwell@crosswalk.cc

Adam Rothwell
Technology Director
757-329-7603
adam.rothwell@crosswalk.cc

Landon Morrow
Music Director / Assistant Worship
Pastor
757-903-8884
landon.morrow@crosswalk.cc

Katie Morrow
Worship Assistant
301-992-7328
kmsnyder@seu.edu