

Our Mission is To Connect People To Christ And One Another

We are glad you are taking steps to serve because serving was a high priority to Jesus Christ (Matthew 20:28) and is here at St. Mark's. We desire to see, respond and love like Jesus in our community, and around the world.

Your next steps are to read the FAQ, complete the application form, and then send it to the church either by email (steve@stmarkschurch.org) or standard mail (1230 St. Mark's Church Road, Burlington, NC 27215). When your application has been received you will be contacted to arrange an audition.

In Christ,
Steve Flint
Worship Arts Pastor
St. Mark's Church

FAQ

1. Are there openings in the vocal team?

Probably. Those of you who have served in a church before will know that our culture is mobile and available people and needs of the church go in strange cycles. Therefore, we want to hear every one who is interested.

2. What type of people is the vocal team looking for?

We are looking for unusually talented, spiritually contagious, committed people who are seeking to call St. Mark's Church their home.

Unusually Talented: We are looking for musicians who have invested a lot of time growing and perfecting their musical skills. Many read music but those who are not good readers quickly learn by ear.

Spiritually Contagious: We believe that our congregation is affected by everyone on the stage. Because of this, we are looking for people who are able to genuinely and visibly engage with God in a way that encourages an atmosphere of freedom in worship. God is simply too great to justify anything less. Your praying, singing, and praising during corporate worship should always excite and encourage others to draw near to God in a similar manner. We are looking for people with an upward spiritual trajectory, meaning that they are seeking to grow in their love for God in their own lives. This helps us avoid that "worship" is just a thing for the weekend.

Committed: Your involvement is more than just an "extracurricular activity," it is a commitment to ministry. Your participation should reflect this ministry mindset. All members should consistently attend rehearsal. Your punctuality is greatly appreciated and communicates to the rest of the team that you respect their time and commitment. Below are some core principles and expectations that will guide all of us as we serve together in the Vocal Team.

- **Spiritual Preparation.** You cannot lead appropriately during our weekend services without regular interaction with God during the week. We trust that your love for God and worshipping Him privately is what has brought you to lead in worshipping Him publicly. As leaders on stage who create an atmosphere of freedom in worship for the congregation, we encourage exuberant, invigorated expressions of worship (e.g. Ex. 15, 2 Sam. 6, and Rev. 5).
- **A Lifestyle of Worship.** Worship should permeate every aspect of the Christian life and should not be limited to participation in weekend services. We trust that you are wholeheartedly committed to offering the entirety of your existence as a living sacrifice to God (Rom. 12:1). As lead worshipper at St. Mark's Church, all of your words, thoughts, actions, and relationships (both inside and outside of the church) should point others to Christ and demonstrate integrity and devotion to the Lord. It is our hope that you continue to grow and lead others toward Christ with your lifestyle of worship.

Church Home: We are looking for musicians who consider St. Mark's Church their church home. They regularly attend weekend services and are active participating members. They are active participants of St. Mark's Small Group Life.

APPLICATION FOR VOCAL TEAM AT BURLINGTON

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Birthday: _____

E-mail address: _____

Marital Status (single, married, divorced, widowed, etc.) _____

Spouse's Name (if applicable): _____

Children (names and ages, if applicable):

Voice part: _____

Employment: _____

1. Are you a participating member of St. Mark's? yes no

If yes, how long have you been attending? _____

If no, are you in the process? _____

2. What ministries are you currently involved in? _____

3. Are you in a St. Mark's small group? yes no

If yes, who is your small group leader? _____

If no, do you have plans to be involved in the future?

4. How did your walk with God begin?

5. Tell us about your current relationship with Jesus Christ.

6. Why do you desire to serve on the vocal team?

7. What training and/or experience do you have in the area of music?

8. Do you read music? _____

9. Please list any worship ministry experiences at previous churches.

10. What do you see as your primary strengths and weaknesses as an artist/performer?

11. What does the word "servant" mean to you in the context of the music ministry at St. Mark's? What do you think it means to be a team player?

12. What is your availability for weekly rehearsals and participation in our weekend services? (once a month, twice a month, etc.)

13. List two personal references (preferably members of St. Mark's). Please list their names, phone numbers, and your relationship to them.

A) Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Relationship: _____

B) Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Relationship: _____

*Auditions will take place as needed. Once your application is received you will be contacted with an audition date.

*Please prepare:

(1) One song to show your vocal strengths with CD accompaniment.

(2) Sing at least one verse of AMAZING GRACE a cappella.