



COMMUNITY

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
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THE ESSENCE OF THE MUSIC MINISTRY AT COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

OBJECTIVE:

To provide “good music, of mixed genre and blended style, always performed well” that directly supports and contributes to the ministry and strategy of Community Congregational Church.

MUSIC AS MINISTRY:

- In a liturgical setting (e.g. Worship Service), it is a *proclamation* of the Word of God through melody, lyrics and tone – like the sermon and readings. It is not a performance or so operatic in nature that it draws attention to itself, serving itself. Music in liturgical settings is aimed at supporting and facilitating worship and praise of God.
- It is *pastoral* in nature when it moves and touches people. It can create a prayerful mood or set the tone for spirit-filled worship.
- In service of the *mission* of the church, it can grow our membership through concerts, master-classes and other musical events that promote and strive to appeal to a range of age groups and to propagate the church in the surrounding community.