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# *Praise & Worship Report*

## *2024*

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The Praise & Worship Team consists of the Praise Team Band Members and the Projection/Sound Team.

Adam Land-Piano & Guitar  
Frank Nowicki-Drums  
David Jiminez-Bass Guitar & Guitar  
Mark Swyka-Drums & Bass Guitar  
Shanna Bosch-Projection  
Mark Fiore-Sound Support  
Debby Kainu-Projection & Sound  
Gavin Morse-Projection & Sound  
John Morse-Projection & Sound  
David Violante-Projection & Sound

The Denton Praise team saw continued growth and expanded service this past year. Several congregation members and guests stepped up to lead worship songs including notably Jerry Amadi, Lisa McKay, Connie Lichtenberger, Marsha Tyrell, Katie Hoyt, Alyson Morse, Kim Pierce, Jane Sanok, Clare Kirkwood, Jen Cosh, Gabi and Dee Valentino.

The services also benefited from David Jimenez's continued expanded role leading praise and worship, and contributing on guitar. The core music team - which also includes Adam Land on piano and Frank Nowicki our wonderful drummer.

Projection duties are rotated weekly between the 5 people who are trained. They manage the lyrics/images on the projection screen as well as run the Zoom meeting controls. We are constantly improving and encourage feedback to know how best to meet the needs of the people in the sanctuary as well as those joining us from home. Some notable updates include the ability to share both lyrics and the video feed on the same screen to those on Zoom.

The Sound team consists of 4 people who rotate the duties each week. They manage the sound/mic/music controls for both in person as well as those on Zoom. They also take care of the webcam for Zoom. We are grateful for the support of Mark Fiore as well as members of the band to help balance and work through technical issues with the sound.

The front projector was replaced December 23, 2023. This was a team effort to get it replaced and installed correctly, but was primarily led by Mark Swyka and made possible with grant money from Presbytery. We are so grateful for the vibrant screen!

The sound team worked on some upgrades as well which included properly identifying wires and connections running throughout the sanctuary to the sound board, as well as cleaning up some bad connections. The wireless mics are now primarily used for movement through the sanctuary during worship for announcements, prayer time praise and concerns and for hymn support for the benefit of those on Zoom. The hardwired mics for our praise team produce a much clearer sound. We have also recently tested out a Bluetooth wireless mic for Pastor Dorinda and will look into upgrading to our own at some point.