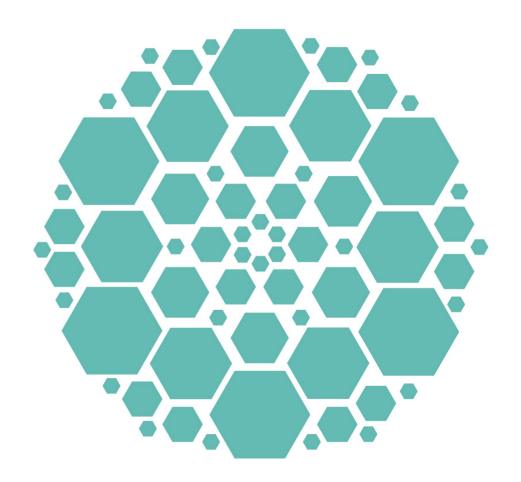
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Being created to worship God we seek to do so in our lives and in contemporary, dynamic and personal music and art forms (Hebrews 13:15, John 4:24).



## Leeds Vineyard is a community that loves to worship Jesus.

We tend to sing simple songs which express our beliefs and our experience of following him.

We believe he created us to worship him with our body, heart, soul and mind.

We believe that as we worship Jesus, we learn more about him and what it means to follow him.

We believe that his Spirit impacts us as we experience his presence, and we are changed.

We are on a journey of discovering what intimacy with Jesus means, worshipping him with our lives: at church, at home, at work, with family and friends.

#### Worship is a value in the Vineyard

Worship emerges from another of our values - the pursuit of God: we are hungry to know His presence, hear His voice and follow hard after Him (Psalm 63:1-3).

So we seek to be a community that intentionally pursues a relationship with Jesus.

In the Bible it tells us that God created us to, 'know that the Lord is God' and that 'it is he who made us, and we are his, we are his people' and "to give thanks to him and praise his name" (Psalm 100).

He created us for intimacy with him, to know him, to follow him, to serve him, to enjoy him, and to love him, in everything we do.

One of the ways in which we enter into this and in which we express this is in corporate musical worship.

### The journey of worship at Leeds Vineyard

We often start with songs that describe who Jesus is, celebrating his power and love and inviting people to come and worship him. We enter 'his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise' (Psalm 100:4).

Then as we become more aware of him we move into songs in which we respond to his presence. Singing about how grateful we are for his love and thanking him for saving us and giving us freedom.

It is in this time that we often sing songs that are *to* him, not just *about* him.

We believe that God is inviting us into relationship with him. As we encounter God we expect him to speak to us, to heal us and to bless us with his presence.

The journey continues in our lives as we give of ourselves - in time, money, talents, energy.

#### Worshipping Together

We worship together on Sundays and during the week - in small groups. Whether it is with 200 people and a band or with one guitar in someone's living room or on the streets - the attitude is the same: we are worshipping our creator; turning our hearts towards him; expecting his presence; inviting him to meet with us, change us and equip us.

#### **More Information**

You will find lots of information about worship at Leeds Vineyard on our website.

There are many exciting opportunities to get involved and serve in the worship life of this community.

For example we have Worship Jam which is open to everyone to come and worship together singing or using their instruments, songwriting opportunities and a Creative Worship small group.

More info at leedsvineyard.org/ worship

If you have questions please ask Helen or Phil Hicks on a Sunday, or email them at helen.hicks@leedsvineyard.org