

Atherton Mission Statement

Atherton Baptist Church is a church striving to lead its members to a loving, learning, and lasting relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Atherton Vision Statement

Re-establishing a Standard of Excellence in God's Church through Education, Renovation, Rejuvenation and Evangelization.

INVITATION FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTOR

If you have love for others, a desire to help others, and are concerned about the Kingdom and the Ministries of God, you should want to serve. A saved heart is one that wants to serve.

The Bible says in the b-portion of Eph. 2:10 TEV, "In our union with Christ Jesus he has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do." These "good deeds" are our service to the Ministries of God and the world. Whenever we serve others in any way, we are actually serving God and fulfilling one of our purposes.

We are going to give our life for something. What will it be — a career, a sport, a hobby, fame, wealth? None of these will have lasting significance. Service is the pathway to real significance. It is through ministry that we discover the meaning of our lives.

There are no insignificant ministries in the church. Some are visible and some are behind the scenes, but all are valuable. Small or hidden ministries often make the biggest difference. In a home, the most important light is not the large chandelier in your dining room but possibly the little night-light that keeps you from stubbing your toe when you get up at night. There is no correlation between size and significance. Every ministry matters because we are all dependent on each other to function.

I want to personally invite you to become an active part of one of the many ministries here at the Atherton Baptist Church! Do it today! Don't put it off. Note that you have been saved to serve and blessed to be a blessing!

May God Reward You For Faithful Service!

Because He Lives,



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ATHERTON
BAPTIST CHURCH

Music
MINISTRY

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Music Ministry

Mission Statement

The Music Ministry aims to support the Gospel message through appropriate song selections and instrumental offerings thereby creating an atmosphere of worship.

Music Ministry is prevalent throughout the Bible. Indeed, the largest book in the Bible is devoted to songs (Psalms) of praise. Therefore, music has been and continues to be integral to the worship experience. Its foundation is tethered in many Scriptures and worship and praise is constantly reiterated:

“Sing for joy in the Lord, O you righteous ones. Praise is becoming to the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song, play skillfully with a shout of joy.” Psalm 133:1-3 (OT)

“...but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord.” Ephesians 5:18, 19 (NLT)

Ministry Goals

- Prayerfully and systematically develop dedicated singers and musicians to use their talents skillfully and purposely to glorify God.
- Train singers and musicians in developing a heart for worship through prayer and study of the Word of God.
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- Expose singers and musicians to a variety of music styles inherent within the church such as, hymns, anthems, traditional and contemporary gospel, praise and worship, etc.

Music Events

- Atherton Choirs sing every Sunday at 8:00 and 11:00 am worship services. They also are expected to minister at special musicals, afternoon and evening services.
- Annual Christmas Concert
- Annual Choir Concert

At Atherton, there is diversity within the Music Ministry that enhances and gives variety to the type of music offered. Our Choirs reflect that diversity.

- 1. The Unity Choir:** (Ages 18+): Scheduled to sing 1st Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 am services.
- 2. The Anointed Voices:** (18+): Scheduled to sing 2nd Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services.
- 3. Men of Atherton:** (Ages 18+): Scheduled to sing 3rd Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services.
- 4. A-Town (Children and Youth Choir):** (Ages 3-17): Scheduled to sing every Fourth Sunday at 11:00 am.
- 5. Women's Ministry Choir:** A special occasion choir organized primarily for the Annual Women's Day.
- 6. Praise and Worship Team(s):** A group of singers dedicated to leading the congregation in Praise

and Worship at the beginning of each worship service. This unit is especially committed to learning song selections that are relevant to setting the atmosphere for worship.

(Speak with the Music Ministry for all schedule rehearsals dates and times).

Ministry Requirements

1. Must complete the New Members Class
2. Must be committed to rehearse at the designated time(s) for the desired choir or Praise Team.
3. Must have an ability to sing in a designated section of a choir (or team), a passion for worship and a desire to develop better singing techniques.
4. Must be willing to participate in all activities that involve the Music Ministry.

Invitation

The Music Ministry is always in need of singers who are committed to the cause of Christ and are willing to share their talent to uplift the Kingdom. It demands a sacrifice of time, a heart to serve, and a sustained passion for using your gift to the glory of God. Further, since this ministry is directly in sync with the Word Ministry of the church, it also requires a lifestyle in accord with God's Word. Join us and be a part of a ministry that contributes untiringly to the active worship of the church in song, praise and fellowship.