

## **Worship and Music Ministry Team 2009 Annual Report**

2009 was a very exciting and rewarding year for music and worship.

The year started with the hiring of a new East Campus contemporary music coordinator, Galen Greer, focusing on the 11:15 a.m. worship service and the youth praise team. Galen has since taken on the additional roll of music administrator as Melinda Halvorson moves to a volunteer position developing video ministries.

With all the staff in place, exciting new worship opportunities were introduced into the already busy worship schedule. The first addition, after many years, was the Living Last Supper drama for Maundy Thursday. The drama was directed by Janet Richards and featured, among many incredible members, the family duo of Pastor Tyler as Jesus with his son, Sean, playing the part of Judas. Good Friday continued the excitement with the introduction a beautiful new Cantata directed by Erinn Machacek. The cantata was accompanied by a group of string players from the Omaha Symphony. The use of brass continued to be an important emphasis for worship, leading to many new volunteer players for both Easter and Reformation Sunday celebrations.

The year ended with the coordination and oversight of a new sound system at the East Campus. The new system provides a new level of clarity and is ready for the continued growth of worship services at the East Campus. The work of the Altar Guild, the usher teams, choir and praise team coordinators and the large number of great volunteers continues to allow the church to offer many worship and music opportunities for all styles and believers seeking to honor the Lord.

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