



Samford University

Center for Congregational Resources

Revitalizing Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Psalm 100:1-2

What is the role of musical worship in the life of the church? Why does it matter?

What are your congregation's presuppositions about church music? What are your own? What is it "supposed" to be like? Why?

Does your church's current music help or hinder the congregation's worship? Why?

Would any of the potential solutions discussed in the video work in your congregation (hiring musicians, using a track, raising up young church members to be musicians)? What other creative solutions might be effective in enriching the worshipping life of your congregation?

God, you are great and greatly to be praised. We want to praise you according to your excellent greatness, but so often it feels like our worship falls far short of your glory. Remind us that the offering you desire is a contrite heart, not a choir or worship band. Send us faithful musicians who can lead your people in song, and show us ways to worship you we might not have previously considered. All this we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.