



One of the core values of Collierville First Baptist Church is *Authentic Worship*. This core value shapes and informs the preparation of our worship services, as well as how we engage in corporate worship. The *Philosophy of Worship* is a document that gives biblical foundation and principles regarding worship at CFBC.

## PHILOSOPHY OF WORSHIP

- We are committed to *Christ-centered* worship as we gather to celebrate and remember who God is and what He has done. We believe that the ultimate purpose of worship is to glorify God. All that happens in our worship services will be centered on the Gospel of Christ.
  - *Colossians 3:17, Colossians 3:1, Philippians 3:10, Hebrews 8:1-2, Hebrews 4:14*
- We are committed to *Scripture-guided* worship, and we will submit ourselves to God's Word.
  - *2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:21, Psalm 19:7-14, Deut. 4:1-2, Proverbs 30:5-6, Isaiah 40:8*
- We are committed to *sacrificial* worship, by offering our gratitude, praise, and obedience to God.
  - *Romans 12:1, Hebrews 13:15, Psalm 51:17, Psalm 107:21-22, Hosea 6:6, Philippians 2:3*
- We are committed to *dynamic* and engaging worship, rather than passive worship, therefore encouraging participation, not spectatorship.
  - *Psalm 34:3, Psalm 95:6, Psalm 86:12, Psalm 95:1, Psalm 69:30*
- We are committed to *Spirit-filled* worship, believing that the Holy Spirit inhabits our praise.
  - *John 4:23-24, Philippians 3:3, Ephesians 5:18-20*
- We are committed to *unified* worship that utilizes a *blended* musical style of traditional hymns of the faith as well as modern songs and hymns. We believe that we should set aside our personal preferences so that the church can be united in corporate worship.
  - *Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16, 1 Corinthians 1:10, 2 Corinthians 13:11, Philippians 2:2, Romans 14:19*
- We are committed to *intergenerational* worship, believing that we are commanded to teach and train the generations in corporate worship.
  - *Psalm 145:4, Psalm 78:4, Deuteronomy 4:9, Deuteronomy 6:4-9*
- We are committed to *reverent* worship, which calls us to remember the holiness of God.
  - *Hebrews 12:28-29, Proverbs 1:7, Exodus 3:5, 1 Samuel 12:24, 1 Peter 1:16*
- We are committed to *excellence* in worship, believing that we should offer our very best to God.
  - *Psalm 150:2, Psalm 145:7, 1 Peter 2:9, Colossians 3:23-24, Deuteronomy 6:5*

### Guiding principles of worship

Authentic, Christ-centered, Scripture-Guided, Sacrificial, Dynamic, Spirit-filled, Unified, Blended, Intergenerational, Reverent, Excellence