

Steven Smith Modern Worship Band Member

Steve Smith assists in leading contemporary congregational praise and worship through music.

Steve works for the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in downtown Atlanta and is married to the "best gal in the world!"

We asked Steve:

"In what ways do you serve at the church?"

"I play keyboard/piano at the modern worship service."

"Why is it important to you to give of your gifts and talents?"

"All believers are gifted by the Holy Spirit, as Paul writes "...distributing to each person as He wills" (1 Corinthians 12:11). I've long believed that each individual needs to determine what that gift is and use it. I would hate to waste anything that should be used to further the kingdom."

"Tell us about a time that was especially meaningful for you working at the church"

"I started serving during the onset of COVID and lockdowns and playing to an empty sanctuary. And while we did our best to lead in worship for the people that watched online, there's something so much more powerful when the body gathers together and with one voice declares His praises. It's the times that I'm playing and maybe for just a moment, can listen and hear the congregation joining in and creating that one voice. It's a great feeling - not as a player or performer - but as part of the body.

Volunteer Spotlight

"What do you enjoy most about your area of ministry?"

"I get to do something I love to do, not solely for the personal enjoyment (though I very much enjoy it) but it's hopefully something He can be used for a higher purpose."

"If you could encourage someone else to serve, what would you say?"

"I previously mentioned it just a little bit, but I love Paul's writing in 1 Corinthians 12 and how he discusses some of the spiritual gifts, and their impact on the body of Christ. In short, we've all got gifts that complement each other. And the church - whether it's the local body or the larger, global church - is a stronger, healthier, and more complete body when each part is working as the Holy Spirit intends."