## Derek Harsch - Worship Arts Pastor - Good News Church

- Hospitality
  - I'm so excited and proud of all our hospitality team members. This past month we had training for the few people that weren't able to make the last one or were new to the Hospitality team. Training was led by Tonya, Mary D & myself. We had 15 people show up with only 3 that weren't able to make it. Those that didn't make it will be followed up by Tonya to do a small training 1 on 1. Our hospitality teams continue to make a great impact and am excited to see how God will continue to use our team.
- Youth Worship
  - This past month we have been focusing on keychain leadership. We have changed a few things up giving you the opportunity to lead not only on stage be before practice. I ask 1 student a week to bring a bible verse and talk about it in front of the group before rehearsal. That person then leads a small discussion and ends in prayer for our night and our team. So far Katelyn, Leighton, Lexi, Kaylee and Maddy have done it. We are also divvying out songs so that every week each vocalist has a song that they lead for youth. I'm sure Ryan also has many other stories of how this is playing out throughout our entire youth group.
- Worship Team
  - I am continuing to work with David from New Life Communications because of our pastoral mic issues. We are in process of sending back the 2 pastoral mics to sure microphones. I have taken out the 2 mics and reinstalled our old pastoral mics and they have been working just fine.
  - This month we have been working hard at finding replacements and add to our tech team. Merlin will be stepping down at the end of the month and officially moving to Pipestone. Casey & Megan Vermeer are planning to move possibly at the end of the summer to Orange City. We have been able to add Madi Dull (Ryan Feltmans Niece) to Sound & Slides. She will start helping out in the next few weeks. Please continue to seek out those that could help with slides and sound on Sundays.
  - New stage design. We are excited to be taking down the styrofoam plates and spelling "Jesus" with soft white rope lights. Karen and I will have started the change over this past Sunday and will have it done before Maundy Thursday services.
- Catalyst
  - This past week myself and may others had that opportunity to go to Orange County for Catalyst Conference held at Mariners Church. This is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year

going at a Catalyst Conference and I can say by far this was one of my favorite. Each year the conference has a theme and this year's theme was Fully Alive. Much of the conference focused on self-awareness and being the leader God has called you to. Coming back I feel more energized and spiritually filled more than ever before. I'm so thankful and glad that I go the opportunity to go and can't wait for next year's trip.