



# SCPC music ministry

term 1 2008

## meditating on the richness of Christ

The 'classic' Bible verse when it comes to Music Ministry is Colossians 3:16: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." It's a great, jam-packed verse we've all heard before. But while we're familiar with Colossians 3:16 – and might even be able to quote most of it word for word – my impression is that it's a verse we often neglect in our Music Ministry at SCPC.

Think about it for a minute. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly..." What does it mean for the word of Christ to dwell in you richly? What sort of things will be going through your mind, if God's Word dwells in you richly? What will you long for, when the words of Jesus fill your heart? What sort of things will you be feeling, when you meditate on the richness of Christ?

Follow the verse on a bit. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...**as you sing**". Does the word of Christ dwell richly in me **as I sing**? Do I reflect on the words enough, so that when I play my instrument, I actually *want* to play in a way that focuses on what's being sung? What's actually going through my mind when I sing, and play? Am I doing it "...with **gratitude**..." in my heart to God? Or am I just going through the motions?

These are the sort of questions we in SCPC Music Ministry probably aren't asking enough. They're questions I need to ask more before coming to music practice each week. And they're questions I hope you'll often find yourself asking too.



## song selections this term...

You'll notice the term 1 program (over page) involves quite a few new songs (\*). They're listed in the order we'll do them in the column to the right. You'll recognize many of them as songs that have been done as items, or classic hymns you (& many in the church) may already know. So it shouldn't be too overwhelming although it will be a challenge. Term 1 is always a good time to inject some new songs in the mix, but it will make effective rehearsals even more important than ever.

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Holy Father  
take my life  
this the power of the cross  
the glories of calvary  
kids: the Spirit song  
how great is our God  
rock of ages  
come thou fount  
hallelujah to the king of kings  
all creatures of our God  
and king



## REVIEW Leeland sound of melodies

It's unfortunately rare to come across a Christian band that not only sounds good, but has fantastic words as well. So much of the time it's either one or the other – good words, ordinary music; bad words, excellent music. But Leeland is one of those bands where you'll find both:

"With Your love You set me free  
Three nails gave me liberty  
So I'll sing Your praise  
My God, I'll sing Your praise  
With Your love  
You forgave my sin  
Forgot my past  
And brought me back again  
So I'll sing Your praise  
I'll sing Your praise"

They sound a like a poppy Coldplay - check them out at [myspace.com/leelandmusic](http://myspace.com/leelandmusic). Their album "Sound of Melodies" is well worth the cash.



## MUSIC TEAM TIPS

When you're up the front, remember to be a model of meaning the words you're singing. Of course, that means you have to mean them!

Try to think less about what people will think of you, and more about the richness of what you're singing. It's bound to have an encouraging effect on all the congregation – who will follow your lead.

**"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." Colossians 3:16**



# music program term 1 2008

- feb 3** God of wonders  
that's why we praise him  
Holy Father\*  
kids: through and through  
*item: take my life*  
holy holy holy
- feb 10** blessed be your name  
Holy Father  
take my life\*  
kids: stop and think  
the glory of the cross
- feb 17** at the cross (was it nails)  
one for many  
this the power of the cross\*  
kids: God speaks  
what can wash away my sin  
one world, one dream
- feb 24** God forbid that I should glory  
all I can bring  
the glories of calvary\*  
kids: he died upon the cross  
*item: every man*  
this the power of the cross
- mar 2** Jesus my only hope  
the glories of calvary  
may the mind of Christ my Saviour  
kids: the Spirit song\*  
*item: now my eyes have seen you*  
servants of the gospel
- mar 9** how can this be  
now my eyes have seen you  
how great is our God\*  
kids: the Spirit song  
on a hill far away  
loved
- mar 16** how great is our God  
everlasting  
rock of ages\*  
kids: build your life on the rock  
*item: wildflower*  
see him coming
- mar 21** is this the king  
GOOD FRIDAY  
all my days  
amazing grace  
kids: God is a holy God  
*item: what have we done?*  
is this the king?
- mar 23** see what a morning  
he is risen  
three in one  
kids: the Spirit song  
come thou fount\*  
resurrection
- mar 30** who hopes for what they always had  
hallelujah to the king of kings\*  
come thou fount  
kids: stop and think  
*item: tears of the saints*  
the light
- apr 6** Jesus is our song  
Lord's supper  
hallelujah to the king of kings  
all creatures of our God and king\*  
kids: what sort of king  
take my life
- apr 13** the glories of calvary  
every promise  
God of grace  
kids: God's love is a strong love  
all creatures of our God and king  
how deep the Father's love
- apr 20** Jesus draw me ever nearer  
great is the Lord  
Holy Father  
kids: the Lord don't change at all  
how great thou art  
amazing love
- apr 27** the heavens shall declare  
before the throne of God above  
how great is our God  
kids: God speaks  
rock of ages  
hallelujah to the king of kings