



## Welcome **Jason Overstreet**

### **DCC Deacon Candidate for Director of Worship Ministries**

Jason is a Portland native who attended Portland Christian School, where his dad taught for over 30 years. Their family attended Gateway Baptist Church where his mom taught pre-school. At an early age, Jason remembers his mom playing piano as he and his brother would be going to bed. By age 7, he started playing himself.

Jason is so thankful that he was born and raised in a Christian home. While he invited Jesus into his heart at age 5, his faith did not become his own until he was in college. There he questioned if he believed in God because it was how he was raised, or because it was truth. He concluded that He was raised in truth and is so thankful for that. Since then, he has felt a strong calling to spend his life sharing the Gospel and encouraging believers through music and tech ministries. His hobbies include basketball and golf.

Jason attended George Fox University, where he majored in Music Performance, with an emphasis in Composition. Following his senior recital, He felt the Lord calling him to start a vocal music ministry, and the group RESCUE was born. His favorite memories during their 20 years of ministry were ministering in many prisons, Fiji with Louis Palau, and singing for President George W. Bush. Jason has previously worked at Warner Pacific University where he produced a vocal ministry group and over the past few years, Jason has served as Tech Director at Corban University and as a Sound Tech at Athey Creek Christian Fellowship.

Jason has been married to his wife Marisa for 11 years. Marisa has a Master's degree in Music and has directed choirs, taught lessons, and was recently hired as the choir teacher at DCS. She loves working with people helping them grow musically. Jason says, "She is the real singer of the family, and is a miracle worker as a voice teacher." She worked with and taught most of the singers in Jason's vocal groups and they love working together. Marisa also fiercely loves her family, loves to farm, read, cook and she loves the Green Bay Packers, so Jason is now a Packers fan...(and a closet Seattle Fan).

Jason and Marisa are the proud parents of 4 children. Gavin attends Gresham High School and is involved in sports, music and loves cars. Levi is a student at DCS and loves to farm and drive the tractor with Papa. Josiah and Mallie Jo are twins and have a sweet twin bond. Josiah loves to play games and do puzzles. Mallie Jo loves anything that has to do with animals!

The Overstreet family lives in Damascus on property next to Marisa's parents' family farm. They have been remodeling for 2 years and are very anxious to be done! They love to spend time with family and friends, play games, watch football, and eat! Food is a big deal in this family. They also share their home with Ty and Po, their family cats who really run the house.

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*Over the next 4 weeks, you are encouraged to reach out to Jason and his family to get to know them.  
Jason will be leading worship in our Sunday services on September 26 and October 3.*

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