

Staff Snapshot

Bethany Pocceschi, 11:11 Worship Leader

Bethany has been co-leading the 11:11 service for the past few years, so stepping into the role of Worship Leader feels like a natural progression for her. She grew up at DUMC and has been involved in almost every aspect of worship here - and she's excited (albeit a bit nervous) to step out of her comfort zone and see where God takes her!



- 1. Your/a favorite bible verse:** Matthew 11:28:
"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
- 2. Funny church story that happened to you:**
Not funny per se, but it does make me laugh that Wendy (Mattina) Arnott, Scott Shead, and I are in leadership positions at the church in which we grew up. Seriously, who put us in charge of things??
- 3. What's your favorite way to spend a day off?** Curled up with a good book and a delicious cup of coffee!
- 4. Extrovert or introvert?** Introvert.
- 5. What are your hobbies and how did you get into them?** Music is both my hobby and my passion. I come from an extremely musical family: my dad sang and played bass in a band called "The Unique Echoes" in the 1950s. My mom is an amazing pianist (she plays for the children's choirs at DUMC) and taught me how to play piano before Diana Durbin stepped in. She and my aunt also play handbells at church. I have been involved in music both at the church and when I was in school; I honestly don't know where I would be without it!

I'm also super proud to have passed my love of music along to my own kids - Joey is a drummer and sings in the choirs in middle school, and Ben sings in the choirs both at church and in school.
- 6. What's one thing that can instantly make your day better?** A really good hug (especially from my kids or my husband, Bryan).
- 7. What is your favorite season and why?** Fall!! I love everything about it: the weather, the colors, the scents, the flavors...
- 8. What's your favorite family tradition?** Decorating Christmas cookies with my mom (Karen Borghi) and aunt (Barb Mills).
- 9. If you had only one sense (hearing, touch, sight, etc.), which would you want and why?** Hearing so that I could still hear music.

10. What makes you feel at peace? Sitting on the beach listening to the waves.

11. Favorite destination: I love the beach. I grew up going to Long Beach Island every August; now that I'm an adult, Bryan, the boys, and I spend a week in Wildwood Crest.

(I also do have to say that Greece was incredibly beautiful - we went there on our honeymoon in 2009.)

12. Early bird or night owl: If I had to choose, I'd say early bird... but I read an article once that mentioned a permanently exhausted pigeon, which feels more on the nose.

13. Favorite candy bar: Reese's Take Five and Baby Ruth.

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