

August 6, 2020

Dear St. John's Family,



I am excited to introduce our new Worship Pastor, Daniel Orama!



Originally from Long Island, NY, Daniel is the Co-Founder (along with his wife, Tami) of Vocal Production Studios in Lancaster, PA and is a highly recognized voice professional, composer, and producer. He studied at the New England Conservatory and with various voice professionals across the United States.

Daniel was a community producer of the revival of "Godspell" on Broadway. He also wrote new contemporary versions of "A Christmas Carol" and "Summer Rock," which both debuted on Off Broadway. As a vocal instructor, he continues to train artists from the beginner to the advanced professional.

Daniel has devoted over 30 years in the art of singing. He studied voice from professors of the New England Conservatory, Mannes Conservatory, The Julliard School, Westminster Choir College, FSU, and the Metropolitan Tenors.

He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Historical Studies from Empire State College in Sarasota Springs, NY, a Master of Arts degree in Vocal Performance from Five Towns College in Dix Hills, NY, and is currently completing a Master of Arts degree in Christian Leadership from Liberty University.

Daniel has previously served as the Resource Ministry Associate at Calvary Chapel in Fort Lauderdale, FL, where he was responsible for the training of over 70 volunteers in the day-to-day operation of the resource ministry. He currently holds a phase 4 in Jeet Kune Do and served as a Boxing Trainer at the Universal Athletic Club in Lancaster, PA.

Daniel and Tami have two beautiful daughters. Brielle (age 14) is an aspiring film director/writer, and Alivia (age 13) is an aspiring Christian Recording Artist.

In his application, Daniel wrote, "I am excited about leading worship at St. John's because, based on my conversations with Pastor Jeff, it is evident that the church embraces change. Change is never easy, but when hearts are set for it, we become willing to be used as instruments for the Lord. Another reason for my excitement is working with a team that is open to developing the skills needed for the ministry. I have spent the last 30 years developing my skillset in music, and I look forward to passing that on to others. I am passionate about developing the next generation of worship leaders. In addition, my excitement is for the youth of the church, because they have hearts gifted to become leaders in worship. Lastly, I love that the purpose of St. John's is to bring glory to God by making disciples. My whole family desires to know Christ more intimately and to grow in our faith that we might serve others in the mission field whether near or far."

Daniel has a deep love for the Lord, a genuine heart of worship, a desire to invest in others, and a humble spirit. His first day will be Monday, August 17, and he will begin to lead worship along with our team on Sunday, September 6. It is a joy to welcome Daniel, Tami, Brielle, and Alivia to our church family here at St. John's! I encourage you to use the enclosed postcard to write a note of welcome and encouragement to Daniel and his family.

Love in Christ, Pastor Jeff

