

Introduction to Guitar

The goal of this course is to introduce the student to proper guitar techniques, tuning, chords, and strumming. By the end of the course, the student should be able to play several praise songs. Students will need to commit to at least 30 minutes of practice time per day to successfully get the chord transitions and to be comfortable with the instrument.

Cost: None

Supplies: Each student must have their own six string acoustic guitar at each class and a guitar pick.

Week 1 – proper holding and strumming, parts of the guitar, tuning

Week 2 – chords: G, E minor, C, D

Week 3 – review chords; start learning song, “Mighty to Save”

Week 4 – review previous chords and song

Week 5 – start learning song, “How Great Is Our God”

Week 6 – chords: Asus, Asus2, Dsus, Em7; start learning song “All in All”

Week 7 – review chords and songs, new strum pattern, start learning song “Here I am to Worship”

Week 8 – chords: A minor, D minor; new songs to practice

Week 9 – review all chords and songs

For those who need a challenge - new strum pattern, “This is Amazing Grace” by Phil Wickham

Students will be asked to perform a song at the May open house. They can do it together as a class or individually.

