

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT LCGS

July, 2020

Service Area Worship	Purpose	Time Commitment	Responsibilities
Worship and Music Team	Oversees all aspects of worship services	Meets 6-8times per year	Planning, scheduling and implementing all worship services
Acolyte	To assist Pastor during worship	One Sunday approximately every six weeks	To light and extinguish candles, assist with offering, communion and baptisms. Open to 5 thru 12 graders. Training given.
Altar Guild	Care of altar appointments and vestments	Meetings once a month. Time required on Sundays and some Saturdays	Caring for and changing paraments, communion linens, and candles as well as placing flowers on altar, preparing the elements for Holy Communion and set up and take down for services.
Funeral Coordinator DO WE EVEN HAVE ONE?	Coordinate funeral details	Several times a year	Coordinate volunteers to host funeral lunches
Wedding Coordinators	Help to coordinate weddings	Two to three weddings a year	Training given
Assisting Minister	To involve lay people in worship services	One service 10-12 times a year	Assist pastor in worship. Open to anyone above confirmation age. Training given.
Lay Home Communion Minister	To bring the sacrament to those who are homebound	1-2 hours per month	Visit on a monthly basis with a member who cannot attend the worship of the community. Training given.
Choir	To lead congregation in liturgical singing and participate in community concerts.	Rehearsal once a week and singing one service on Sunday	To assist in congregational singing, provide anthems and special music. Open to ??? Anyone high school and older

Handbell Choir	To play at services and festivities during the year	Rehearsal once per week	Youth and Adults
Instrumentalists	To provide special music for worship services.	Practice time and Sunday morning worship services	Anyone willing to volunteer their talent
Lectors	To involve lay people in worship services	Six to eight times a year	To read the appointed first and second lessons.
Nursery Attendants	To provide child care for pre-schoolers during worship	Four to five Sundays a year	Supervise children in nursery during worship. Males and females Confirmation age and above.
Ushers	Greet worshipers, distribute bulletins, seat latecomers, assist with communion and offering, set tape recorder.	Six to eight Sundays a year	Anyone Confirmation age or older. Training given.
Greeters	To welcome members and visitors to our worship service	15 minutes before service several times a year	Welcome worshipers as they arrive; assist visitors with questions and offer hospitality.
Christian Ed Team	Planning, scheduling and implementing congregation's educational programs for all ages	One meeting per month, help with special events 4 to 6 times a year	Oversee Sunday Church School, Vacation Bible School and all other educational events.
Confirmation Mentor	Serve as a Christian Role Model for one confirmand	Approximately 8 to 10 hours per year	Do three hours of service with the student and attend some Confirmation meetings
Confirmation Teacher	Teach Confirmation material to 7 th and 8 th graders	One hour on Sunday mornings Sept - May	Curriculum provided
Sunday Church School Administrator	To help oversee and administer the SCS program	Sunday mornings throughout the school year	Coordinate curriculum and supplies, recruit and support teachers,

Sunday Church School Teachers (Children, Youth, and Substitute)	SCS is the primary method of fulfilling Christ's command "Go and Teach". For ages 3 through Adult.	Courses can be taught in teams and also in units (4 to 6 week units)	Curriculum provided includes stories, crafts, lesson plans. Supplies and training provided.
Adult SCS Teacher	6 week mini-courses in Bible theology, church history and contemporary issues.	1 hour on Sunday mornings for six weeks.	Prepare and lead a six week course for adults.
Librarian, Library Support	To maintain Church library	Work in library as needed.	Catalog, repair and process books.
Youth and Family Ministry Team	To provide a ministry for and by young people in middle school and high school	One organizational meeting per month and approximately 4 -6 events per year mainly on weekends	Help plan, implement, and oversee youth events. Lead intergenerational events.
Eager Beavers Adult Leader	To provide a ministry for young people in grades 3-6.	1 meeting per month (usually first Friday evening)	Help plan, implement and oversee Eager Beaver Events
Chaperone	To support the youth ministry of the congregation	Varies, depending on the activity.	Assist youth minister with activities. Supervise youth during events.
Evangelism Team	To invite and welcome all into our faith community	1 meeting or activity per month	Plan and encourage activities that touch people's lives in a positive way to spread the Word of God
New Member Sponsor	To provide new members with a contact in the church and help them get involved	2 - 3 Sunday mornings plus one or two follow up contacts in following year	Call incoming new member prior to joining church and attend new member classes, engage in conversation and answer questions. Follow up to see how new members are doing.

Fellowship Team	To provide opportunities for church family to gather for fellowship	Small amount of baking periodically for coffee hour, dinners & serving	Coffee hours once a month plus annual congregational luncheon, Maundy Thursday Dinner,
Quilting	To make quilts for Lutheran World Relief	2 times a month	2 mornings a month to help piece, sew and hand tie quilts
Finance Team	To oversee the financial affairs of the congregation	One meeting per month	
Teller	Count the money after Sunday services	1-2 hours after church every 4 to 6 weeks	
Financial Secretary	To do entries into computer/maintain financial programs	Two hours per week	
Long Range Planning Team	To develop and maintain a vision for the congregation	4 to 8 meetings per year	
Property Team Work details a) Building b) Grounds c) Clean up d) Kitchen e) Columbarium	Oversee care and maintenance of building and grounds. Plan for needs for building and grounds.	Meet once a month, usually Saturday morning once a month to work on projects around the church.	Keep church building and grounds maintained as required. Coordinate with sexton on upkeep of building. Schedule repairs and maintenance.
Mutual Ministry	Serve as a conduit between the staff and the congregation	Approximately 6 meeting per year plus occasional sub-committee activities	By listening, interpreting, advising, conferring, evaluating and as necessary recommending council action

Stewardship Team	To plan, direct and implement the year round stewardship activities. Conduct the annual campaign to obtain member support of time, talent and treasure.	One meeting per month plus special activities as required	Attend meetings and contribute ideas and energy to plan, organize and direct stewardship activities
Archivist	To maintain records of church's history	As needed	
The VOICE Publication	To prepare VOICE for publication	Several hours per month	Prepare the newsletter in print and electronic form for distribution
Typing/Mailing/Reception/Administration	To assist in office with telephone answering, typing, filing, UPS and postal mailing	As needed	
Social Ministry Team	Organize ministries reaching out to those who are victims of poverty and injustice in the local area and throughout the world	One meeting per month	Committee tries to understand the needs and problems in our community and develop programs whereby our congregation can respond to these needs Serve on LCS -Hilltop boards
Visiting hospital patients and/or homebound	Provide a ministry to members who are ill or homebound	As needed	Make a visit to a person identified to you by church office
Prayer Chain	To provide a ministry of prayer	As needed	Volunteers for the Prayer Chain agree to receive a call for prayer, pass that call on to the next name on the list, and pray according to the request until further notification

Provide Transportation	Elderly non-drivers and residents of Luther Towers need transportation to medical appointments Voluntary Services Organization needs volunteers to pick up and deliver items for needy families.	As needed	
Prepare emergency meals	Helping congregational families in bereavement or need	As needed	
Luther Towers Aides	To provide a more comfortable and varied life for the residents of Luther Towers	60 hours per annum	Work in the coffee shop, gift shop and craft shop, organize and host parties, outings and other social activities, visit shut-ins and welcome new residents, organize fund raising events
Hilltop Community Center	To provide study assistance to pre-teen children	6:30-8:00PM Mon., Wed. or Thurs. evenings when school is in session	Work with students in small groups, or on a one-to-one basis, providing homework assistance, sharing special interests and skills(e.g. handicrafts, computers)
Emmanuel Dining Room EDR	To serve the hungry and homeless in Wilmington	Four hours, on the tenth day of each month	1. Prepare - 9th of the month, four people per month prepare lasagna 2. Servers- four people per month serve a meal of lasagna, fruit salad, bread and cookies. Assistance is provided by EDR staff
Food Pantry Volunteers	To provide food for needy families	One morning each month	Pack and dispense groceries from the LCS Pantry at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

Health Ministry Team	To empower its members to increasingly assume the responsibility for their own holistic health and to promote their well-being	As needed	Maintain Health Ministry bulletin board, write articles for the VOICE, continue to monitor County Police Senior Roll Call Program, to act as an advisory board for the Parish Nurse, and work on planning programs within the congregation
Columbarium Committee	Oversees the administration and upkeep of the columbarium	As needed	The administrator handles documentation related to the columbarium. The committee assists with upkeep of the columbarium and surrounding area.
Family Promise			
FP Overnight Host	To offer hospitality to homeless families staying in our building	One night, sleeping on an air mattress in the church library, up to four times per year	Greet families, make sure building is secure, wake families in the morning and help with self-serve breakfast
FP Meal prep and serving	To provide a hot meal for homeless families staying in our building	One evening, up to four times per year	Prepare and/or serve and clean up dinner or breakfast (Saturday mornings only) for families. Several people assist with each meal.
FP Van drivers	To provide transportation for homeless families to and from the Family Promise Day Center in Mill Creek	Morning or Evening, four weeks per year	Drive the 15 passenger van from Good Shepherd to the FP Day Center. Training given.
FP Activity Leaders	To provide fellowship activities for homeless families staying in our building.	One evening, up to four times per year	Organize and implement family activities (games, crafts, stories, campfire, etc)
Other support for Family Promise	To assist in the congregation's ministry to homeless	Varies	Set-up and tear down, laundry help, restocking of supplies, etc.

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Shepherd's Garden			
Harvesting	To harvest vegetables for delivery to food pantry	As needed throughout the summer - scheduled via SignUpGenius	Pick vegetables, wash, weigh, and store in kitchen for delivery to pantry
Delivering to St Stephen's Food Pantry	To bring fresh veggies to the pantry	As needed throughout the summer - scheduled via SignUpGenius	Pick veggies up from church kitchen and deliver to St Stephens food pantry
Garden Planning	To plan and implements for garden to improve harvest	Occasional meetings in off growing season	Provide input as to ways to optimize the Shepherd's garden concept.

Opportunities for Faith Formation and Fellowship AT LCGS

May, 2018

Group	Purpose	Time Commitment	Details
Sunday Services			
Sunday School			
Adult Engagement			

Confirmation			
Small Groups	To gather as a community to grow in faith, build relationships	Meetings once a week to discuss readings	Host a group in your home, lead discussion occasionally, or participate in the discussion
Lunch Bunch	To provide a time of Christian fellowship for those members ages 55-plus	One lunchtime per month	
Grace Cafe	To share food, discussion, and prayer, and to explore what our world needs from us	Dinner meeting 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month	Multi-congregational group for post-high school young adults
Butterfly Group	To provide fellowship for widowed or single women	Occasional outings	Enjoying fellowship with one another