

Ministry Opportunity - developing a habit of participation

BELONGING

A crucial element to community is the presence and participation in the values and vision of a group. As a member of God's body we seek to be involved and connected to the church, the community of believers whom we worship regularly with. We desire to not just care for our own wellbeing but for the wellbeing and spiritual health of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Galatians 5 reminds us our freedom in Christ is not to be wasted but used to serve each other in love.

A great way of learning about opportunities in our church is to contact Lori Hoffnagle our church's Outreach Director to be added to her "Service Opportunities" emails. Email Lori at outreach@fumchurch.com..

In this pamphlet you will find a variety of opportunities that await you—opportunities to help you not just show up at First Church but to truly belong to the community by participating in the ministries happening here.

Communion Stewards— Janice Bowen

Help in bringing the communion table to our homebound members. There are those in our community who can't join us on Sunday morning either for a short time or long term. Help in bringing part of the church service home to them.

Little Friends - Devon Betz

One of the ministries of First Church is the Little Friends Preschool who often are in need of help for fundraising events like with Fall Fest.

Sound and Media - Sarah Pugh

Skilled in tech related things consider helping out the sound and media team and helping make sound be possible for many worship services and events at First Church.

Meal Ministry - Patti Herring

Help provide a meal for a family in need of a break from cooking. This can be a huge blessing for families in times of illness, tragedy, or the celebration of new life. Be included on emails for when these needs arise.

Library -

Love to read - let that interest connect you to the library ministry of first church. See if they have any need of a youth to help on their team of volunteers.

Office Help - Ellen Hill

There is a lot that our main office does....a lot! Check in with Kristin and help with the things you maybe never knew the office was in charge of (like getting the wax off the Christmas eve candles).

Adopt a Grad - Lynn Rapp

Help our college students feel connected to their First Church family while away at school by adopting a student and sending them mail, prayer, and care packages through the year.

Access Ministry

Day of Pampering and Rejoicing Spirits are two of the many beautiful offerings from a group of people aimed at making First church a welcoming place for people of all abilities. Do you have a heart for those with special needs? This is a great place to be involved.

Knitting? Sewing?

We have several groups at First church who use their talents to bless others. Consider connecting with a group like Covered in Love, Squares for Prayers, or Knit at Night to spread the love of Christ through hand made items.

Ushers

Join the team of men and women who help during services to collect tithes and offerings and also serve communion.

Children's Ministry - Dawn Fisher

Volunteer helpers are always needed in the Children's department both regularly on Sunday mornings but also for big events like VBS or Night in Bethlehem.

Red Coats and Hospitality

Those treats on Sunday morning don't just appear. There are dedicated volunteers who prep the coffee and have it ready and make sure that people feel welcomed at our church. Put on a red vest and learn how to help others feel like they belong at

Facility & Maintenance

The Trustees are the ones who care for our building but they can use help often. Consider helping to shovel in the winter or help with landscaping at the church and at the parsonage when the weather is nice.

Worship Groups - Sarah Pugh

Have a musical talent? Consider belonging to a choir or worship team such as bells, the sanctuary choir, or the praise team.



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Developing a habit of participation in ministry is what makes us active participants in a community of believers. Learn to share your time, talents, and energy with your church family.

Participate REGULARLY in a ministry opportunity.