# **Ways to Serve**

At Faith Covenant, serving isn't just something we do—it reflects who we are as the hands and feet of Jesus in our local and global community.

**Serve Team** Helps our church live out God's call to love our neighbors. This team coordinates opportunities to serve in our community, like the food bank and local projects, and helps us stay connected with our missions and ministry partners both locally and globally.

<u>Sumner Food Bank Serving Team</u> Faith Cov is partnering with the Sumner Food Bank to serve families in need on Monday evenings. If you'd like to join our team and be part of this important ministry, we'd love to have you! Each volunteer serves just one Monday a month as we help provide food and hope to our neighbors.

<u>CarePortal</u> A Care-Sharing technology that allows caseworkers to submit requests for assistance, which are then vetted and approved before being shared with the community. Let us know if you'd like to join the CarePortal team as a responder, or if you'd like more info.

Sunday service and church event only happen with your help. The following ministry teams focus on caring for the needs of our church family.

**Leadership Team** – Elected by the congregation to help guide the mission and vision of the church.

**Property Team** – Cares for our church campus and facilities, recommending upkeep and projects.

**Finance Team** – Oversees church finances, including giving, investments, and the annual budget.

**Staff Relations Team** – Supports the lead pastor in encouraging and developing our staff.

**Worship Team** – Musicians, vocalists, and tech teams working together to lead and produce worship services.

Prayer Team – Prays over all needs throughout the week and provides prayer partners on Sundays.

**Children and Student Ministry** – Partners with parents to care for and disciple our kids and youth.

**Club 45** – Serves 4th and 5th graders through special gatherings five times a year.

**Host Team** – Welcomes people into worship each week with a smile and a warm greeting.

**Care Team** – Coordinates care ministries like Helping Hands, Meal Trains, memorials, visitation, and more.

**Mission Mocha** – Volunteer as a barista or cashier at our church coffee stand (training provided).

**Little Sprouts ELC** – Supports the ministry and mission of our early learning center.

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**Connecting**, **growing**, and **serving** describe for us the discipleship pathway we are pursuing together here at Faith Covenant Church.

It is as we *connect* with God and his Word, and in relationship with one another,

that God continues to help us **grow** in our faith, and in our understanding of both who he has called us to be as well as what he is calling us to do in **serving** his kingdom.

Connecting *leads to* growing and growing *leads to* serving as God increases our maturity and expands our capacity to love others in the name of Jesus. Serving *leads to* connecting with new people and the cycle of growth continues.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

- I Corinthians 12:27

If you're ready to:

discover a greater sense of life's purpose, receive help to live it out successfully, and find friends for the journey, we're here to help.

To encourage you on your discipleship journey with Jesus, we have a variety of ways that we'd love to help you *connect*, to *grow*, and to *serve*, here at our church.

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# **Ways to Connect**

## **Next Step Lunch**

**October 12, 11:30 AM, Snelling Hall** Facilitated by our Lead Pastor, Kurt Notehelfer, you'll have an opportunity to meet other staff and leaders, ask any questions you might have, and find out how you can take your next steps whenever you are ready. We offer these lunches quarterly. RSVP by scanning the QR code on the front of this flyer.

## **Baptism and Potluck**

**September 21, after church in Snelling Hall** Celebrate new life in Christ, and then celebrate together at the table! Bring a dish based on your last name- A-G: desserts, H-N: sides and salads, O-Z: main dish.

## 4th Tuesdays Family Dinner

**Next meal: September 23, 5:30-7:30 PM, Snelling Hall** Join us for 4th Tuesdays Family Dinner! We value our time together, so we make time as a church family to connect, share a meal, and build meaningful friendships.

#### Women's Coffee

**September 27, 10-11:30 AM in Snelling Hall** Join for pastries, coffee, tea, and connection. Bring your own mug and we will see you there. Friends are welcome!

#### **Ladies Book Club**

**Next Meeting, October 7, 10 AM, Faith Cov Library** Women meet the first Friday of each month in the library to share conversation and community around Christian books.

## **Sharing the Harvest Apple Packing Day**

**Saturday, October 25, Wiley Heights Covenant Church in Yakima**. You and your family are invited to "Packing Day," to help pack up the apples that our congregation has ordered in advance. You can have a hands-on global mission experience without having to leave Washington State. Connect with those from Faith Cov and other churches, not to mention a fantastic BBQ lunch, cider pressing and activities for kids!

#### **Sisters Without Misters**

**Second Wednesday of each month, off campus** A fellowship group for women without husbands, offering friendship and support. Meets monthly to share a meal at a local restaurant.

## Young at Heart

**Look for information in the Weekly What's Happening** Our 55+ group enjoys potlucks, bingo, and the occasional outing like a matinee play, all in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere.

# **Ways to Grow**

Wherever you are on your faith journey, there's a next step for you. Explore questions, grow in God's Word and go deeper in discipleship.

## **Alpha**

**Wednesdays, beginning Sept 24, 6:30 PM, Oasis Room** A space to explore life's biggest questions in a friendly, open environment. Each session includes food, a short talk, and conversation where no question is off-limits. Whether you're curious about faith or just looking for community, Alpha is a place to connect and discover more.

### Immerse Bible Reading

**Groups begin in October** Immerse is a Bible reading experience designed to help you read God's Word in community and discover its story together.

## **Grow Groups**

Faith grows best in close community. Grow Groups bring together 3–4 people for intentional discipleship — a place for encouragement, accountability, prayer, and real-life application of God's Word. In these circles of trust, friendships deepen and faith becomes a daily way of life. Our next round of Grow groups will meet from September 21- November 16.

#### **Fall Bible Studies**

Men's Bible study- Mondays at 12:30 PM
Women's study of Gideon- Wednesdays, 9:30 AM, Begins Sept 10

## Mending the Soul

A 10-week course for those who have experienced the damaging effects of trauma or abuse and are interested in healing. Let us know you're interested and we'll let you know when our next course is available.

## WYLD Youth Group (For students in 6-12 Grade)

**Begins September 10, 6:30-8 PM, Snelling Hall** Youth Group meets Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8 PM (September- June) and is a great opportunity for students to have fun and grow in their faith.

# Thunder Middle School Camp, October 10-12 MUD High School Camp, November 14-16

An incredible weekend of fun, adventure, connection, worship, teaching and more.

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