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**Christ Lutheran
Church
Ministry Guide**



2018 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Many of you, through the 59 years since the founding of Christ Lutheran, have shared in the nearly 70 opportunities outlined in this Ministry Guide. Whether it is serving in worship or one of the many ministries of care or parish life, you have made a difference in many people's lives. **THANK YOU** for hearing and taking to heart Jesus' parable invitation:

Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.

The time, talent and treasure given to every Christ Lutheran parishioner by God is a gift to be generously shared. As each of us is chosen and loved by God, so may we respond with our selfless service and love. Signing up is easy. We will send out an email link, and you can fill it out online. There will also be paper copies available for you to pick up at the church which you can fill out and turn back in.

Let us generously offer our praise and thanksgiving, our service and love, our time, talent and treasure because...

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WORSHIP

Assisting Minister - Helps lead worship on Sunday mornings at our Traditional service through song and assistance during communion. Contact Dorothy Leyden with questions.

Communion Setup - Arrive early to prepare and set up communion elements.

Communion Cleanup –After worship, clean up communion ware.

Communion Assistant –Help distribute Holy Communion during worship.

Greeter - Welcome worshippers as they arrive for church; assist visitors.

Usher –Help worshippers find a seat, hand out bulletins, collect offering, coordinate communion procession, and attend to special situations during worship.

Reader—Read God’s word from the pulpit during worship.

Welcome Team—Watch for visitors and guests before, during and after worship and greet them and connect them with church staff.

Altar Guild—This team works together to plan and prepare all items on the altar for worship, as well as banners hung behind the altar. Contact Margo McKell-Warnick with questions.

Worship Arts Team—This team meets monthly to plan themes for upcoming church-year seasons, using various art forms to engage all five of the senses. Contact Donna Cordingly with questions.

Choir/Bells—Our choir and bells meet on Wednesday evenings to practice and then perform on Sunday mornings during worship. Contact Dorothy Leyden with questions.

Special Music—Play an instrument, enjoy singing, or dancing, let us know and we would love to have you share your musical gifts during worship.

Joyful Noise Worship Team—This team leads our worship music at the Contemporary worship on Sundays. They meet on Thursday evenings to practice. Contact Tracy Perry with questions.

Audio Visual Tech— Join our A/V team as they offer their gifts to provide support to our music teams by running the sound and video equipment used during worship. No experience needed! We will provide training! Contact Mike Marsh with questions.

Property & Maintenance

Custodial Support—Help on occasion with vacuuming, moving chairs, and other light custodial activities.

Property Maintenance Team— This team meets quarterly to discuss larger property maintenance projects, concerns and ideas. This team is really in need of more people willing to share their gifts and talents related to property maintenance. Contact Scott Robinson with questions.

Projects : Painting, Pressure Washing, Etc— Enjoy painting? Good with a Pressure Washer? We would love to have your help!

Outdoor Work: Raking, Weeding, Shoveling Snow—There is always yardwork to be done, and occasionally snow to shovel. Many hands make lighter work!

Youth

Youth Planning Team—This dedicated team meets to plan upcoming events for our youth. This team will keep you young at heart! Contact Michele Green with questions.

Confirmation Leader - Our 6th-8th graders meet on Wednesday evenings for Confirmation, and a huge part of this program is the leaders who come and hang out with these kids as they learn about God, the Bible, what it means to be Lutheran. Contact Pastor Ralf with questions.

Youth Group High School Leader-Our high schoolers (REIGN) meet on Sunday evenings for Bible study and fellowship and you are invited to jump in as a leader and hang out with them. Contact Matthew Fulcher with questions.

Chaperone Trips—Our youth go on some pretty amazing trips, and in order for that to happen, they are always looking for a few adults to go along. Contact Matthew Fulcher with questions.

Provide Snacks —The way to a youth's heart is through his or her belly! Are you willing to whip up some great treats (or purchase them) and donate for various youth events?

Middle School Leader—Do you have a heart for 11-14 year olds? They are a fun group of kids, and sharing God's love with these kids will leave you with a full heart.

Hospitality

Coffee Hour Server—This is such an important ministry. We will train you on all the equipment in the kitchen. Servers will prepare the coffee, bring a few treats to share and clean up after coffee hour (9:45-10:45). Contact Victoria Poeling with questions.

Bake Cookies for Memorials—For special occasions and memorials we often are in need of yummy cookies or bars to serve. We will contact you as needed.

Reception Helper—Willing to serve punch, help in the kitchen, wash dishes during an event (like a memorial reception or wedding reception)?

Wash Tablecloths—After every reception we are always looking for a few people to take home our tablecloths, wash and iron them, and return them to church.

Provide Soup for Lenten Dinner—Love to make soup? Willing to share? During Lent we are often looking for a few extra pots of soup to share before Wednesday evening worship.

Hospitality Team—This team is the heartbeat of welcoming others here at Christ Lutheran. This team works to plan ways to welcome guests through coffee, treats, events, etc. Contact Anne Johnson or Kristi Roy with questions.

Outreach

Outreach Benevolence Team—We are all Called to Love...and Sent to Serve. This team meets monthly to discern how we can best serve our neighbors! Contact Suzanne Weimer with Questions.

Nativity House—A very practical way to serve our local community is to prepare a meal in our kitchen and then deliver it to Nativity House in Tacoma and feed the homeless lunch on a Sunday afternoon (4th Sunday). Work together with others from CLC. We have a book full of recipe ideas and you will be given funds to purchase the food.

Compassion Weekend Planning Team—Every April/May we set aside one weekend to serve our community. Join this team as they plan and coordinate projects.

Food Bank—Every 1-2 weeks we are looking for someone to come to the church, pick up donated food and deliver it to the Tillicum Food Bank.

Parish Life

Office Volunteer –This is a vital part of our Monday through Friday ministries. Volunteers come in for 3-4 hours on the day of their choosing and greet visitors with a smile, answer the phone, help prepare mailings, and enjoy a few laughs with our staff. Contact Victoria Poeling with questions.

Flower Delivery—Willing to pick up the beautiful altar flowers from Crane's Creations and deliver them to our church sanctuary on Saturday morning?

New Member Sponsor—Twice a year we welcome new members to our congregation and we like to have current CLC members sponsor them. You will attend a fun dinner with them, and help them get connected in worship and other activities.

Visit Homebound-We have many members who can no longer get to church, so we send Christ Lutheran to them. This team meets monthly to coordinate visits and then visits 1-3 people each month to enjoy some fellowship with them.

Driver—With a new church bus/van we are looking for a few people who would be willing to drive it and pick up some of our homebound and bring them to church on Thursday or Sunday.

Growth Group—Want to grow deeper in God's word and in a small group community. Sign up for a Growth Group and we will help you get connected to a group.

Prayer Team—Our Prayer Team meets on Monday mornings. Where three or more are gathered in my name.....Join this group as they lift our petitions and praises through prayer.

MOPS—Mothers of Preschoolers (Birth-5 years old) meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Join them for brunch, crafts, fun and fellowship, while your children are well cared for.

MOPPETTS Volunteer –This ministry team volunteers the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month to come and care for the children of our MOPS moms.

Preschool Assistant Substitute –On occasion our Monday-Friday preschool needs an extra set of hands to help out. Would you be willing to be on-call?

Drama –Love being on stage? Do you like to dress up? Throughout the year we are in need of people who are willing to be on stage and use their drama skills to help us share the Good News with others through drama. Contact Lark Moore with questions.

Book Discussion Group - This group meets on the 3rd Thursday morning of each month to discuss a recent book read by all members. All are welcome to attend!

Parish Life continued

Military Ministry Team –We live in a community that considers it a great honor to serve our military who are stationed at JBLM. This team meets quarterly to consider ways to support our military, to provide fellowship opportunities and to keep our military board updated on those serving in the military from our congregation.

Women's Ministry Team—Love hanging out with other women and sharing in fellowship, in prayer, and in The Word? Join this team as they meet quarterly to plan fun events.

Men's Ministry Team—Do you love to Grunt and Growl with your fellow brothers??? Sharing in some good MEAT, maybe a good movie, praying for one another? Join this team as they plan events for all the men in our congregation.

Fun Family Ministry Team—Calling all families!!!! This team will meet quarterly to plan some fun family events!

Seniors Ministry Team - We have a great Senior Ministry here at CLC. Sign up to be a part of this team as events are planned and organized throughout the year.

Education

Education Team—Join our education team and help them plan fun, creative ways to bring the Gospel to our kids. This group plans our Sunday morning Sunday School, as well as some other fun fellowship events throughout the year. Contact Cari McDonald with questions.

ECCE Team (Preschool, Latchkey, Nursery) - This team meets quarterly to oversee the ministries of Preschool, Latchkey and our church nursery. Contact Roger Laybourn with questions.

Adult Sunday School Teacher— Are you willing to teach an Adult Ed Class?

Sunday School Teacher/Assistant— Interested in sharing God's Word with our youth? We are always looking for teachers and assistants for all our age groups and would welcome your gifts and talents. Contact Betsy Miller with questions.

Sunday School Substitute - Willing to be a substitute teacher on occasion?

Vacation Bible School Planning Team—This team meets monthly from March-July to plan and prepare for our week-long summer VBS. Bring your ideas and join us!

VBS Teacher/Assistant—This will be the best week of your summer as you serve as a VBS teacher or assistant at our week-long VBS, sharing God's love with amazing kids!

Special Events

Harvest Festival / Trunk or Treat—Want to help provide a safe, fun place in our community for kids to come on the Saturday before Halloween to dress up in costume, play some games and go from car to car to get treats? Join this planning team.

Compassion Weekend—See Outreach

Graduation Sunday Brunch —Want to help honor our graduating Seniors in June? Be a part of planning a fun brunch meal for our Graduates and their families.

Advent Festival—This has been an annual event for a long time at Christ Lutheran. This team will meet several times each fall as they plan and prepare festive treats, crafts and fellowship for our congregation to enjoy.

Advent Brunch—For the last 3 years we have hosted an Advent Brunch, the second Sunday in December. This has become a loved event by all! Join this team as they plan for this congregational event.

Messiah—This team works hard throughout the year to plan and publicize this annual event, which invites our community to come and hear the Good News of a coming Messiah, through Handel's beautiful music.

Confirmation Brunch —Each year in October we host a special brunch on a Saturday morning for our Confirmands and their mentors and families. Join this team as they plan and host this great event.

Seder Meal—This event is held every other year as a way to experience and remember what the disciples might have experienced at the Last Supper. Join this team in planning this great event.

Resurrection Trail—This annual event happens on the Saturday before Easter. This team will plan the event which involves animals, actors, children and food. Come and help bring Holy Week to life!

Reformation —After our amazing Reformation 500 event, we would like to host an annual Reformation Fellowship meal together as we remember and lift up the importance of Martin Luther! Join us as we plan for next year's event.

Anna and Simeon Luncheon —This event is held each year in January to celebrate all CLC living saints over 80 years old. Join this team as they plan this great event.

Christ Lutheran Church Women

CLCW –This group serves as the Christ Lutheran Church Women’s Board.

Circles - We have four different Circle small groups here at Christ Lutheran that meet monthly. If you are interested in joining a women’s Circle, please contact Lanie Ferrell with questions.

Quilters –Our quilters meet every Monday morning through the school year, busily making quilts that are sent to Lutheran World Relief each year (one is also given to each graduating senior). No sewing skills are necessary to join this group.

Women’s Bible Study –Our Women’s Bible Study group meets on Monday mornings here at Christ Lutheran. Topics vary throughout the year. This is a great way to meet new friends! Contact Mikel Ann Robinson with questions.

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