



***Trinity Volunteer Commitments
2017-2018***

Volunteer Areas & Descriptions

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Another summer has quickly gone. We have traveled, rested, visited with family and friends, and countless other things. Now our minds are slowly returning to the fall. With the change of seasons often comes the change of pace for our daily lives. Fall often is a season where things ramp up and we find ourselves to be more busy. This may be overwhelming! It is easy to think, "I don't have time to serve." But that is exactly what we need to do! Being human is more than working for the next paycheck, but to do the work God has placed before us for the sake of his kingdom.

With our volunteer commitments in the coming weeks, we are making a commitment to use the time and talents the Lord has given us to serve His Church and our community. As we put our offering in the plate, a giving of our financial resources, now we have an opportunity to give of the person we are in Christ to the world and His mission.

Service also gives us the opportunity to grow and be formed by Christ. As James 3 says, faith without works is dead. It is the love of Christ which compels us to service--a giving of what we have received.

This is not a new thing. The Church has been serving throughout the ages. Over five weeks we have focused on different people of the Reformation and how they used their time and talents to serve the Lord. Many of their actions were large and significant, but it was the small acts of service which defined their life in Christ while they were involved in the Reformation 500 years ago.

After 500 years, many things have changed in the world around us, but what fascinates me is that service within the church is largely the same. Let us find encouragement in the acts of faith and service from those who have gone before us and ask God over the coming weeks through prayer to stretch us to serve His Church in new ways this coming year.

In Christ,
Pastor Christopher Davis





Beginning the week of August 20th and culminating with an in-worship commitment the following weekend, we are asking the congregation to make their volunteer commitments for the 2017-2018 ministry season.

Here are all the ways you can get involved.

Worship Ministry

- Altar Care
- Fellowship
- Welcome Team
- Information Center
- Presentation of Gifts
- Candle Care Crew
- Acolytes

Music Ministry

- Piano
- Instrumentalists
- Handbells
- Choir
- Worship Team
- Sound Board Operator
- Worship Slide Operator

School Ministry

- PTO Member
- Classroom Mentor
- Homework Helper
- Guest Reader
- School Library
- Learning Center Helper

Children & Youth Ministries

- Bible Study/Events Child Care
- Leaders for Children's Classes
- Leader's Assistants
- FourTwelve
- Sanctus

Care Ministries

- Elderly Care
- Meals Team
- Transportation
- Family Care
- Prayer Chain

Outreach

- CCS Bag Project
- Childrens Quilt Ministry
- Outreach Helper
- Event Team

Events

- Oktoberfest
- Luther Movie Night
- Father Son Nerf Wars
- Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
- Craft Fair
- Christmas Church Decorating
- Advent Cookie Fellowship
- Quarter Paddle Auction
- Lenten Soup Suppers
- Marriage Event
- Daddy Daughter Dance
- Vacation Bible School

Facilities Ministry

- Adopt a Garden
 - Cleaning Crew
 - Pew Crew
 - Office Helper
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WORSHIP MINISTRY

Altar Care

The Altar Care teams have a special part in preparing for the Holy Eucharist. They prepare the communion ware, wine and bread before worship begins. Clean up follows each worship service.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

Fellowship

Fellowship is a time for guests and members to connect. Coffee and donuts are served at 10:00am between worship services. Volunteers are needed to order and pick up donuts, make coffee, set up refreshments, serve, and clean up.

- **Sunday between services**

Welcome Team

The Welcome team is made up of teams of 5 people. Each team will welcome guests, distribute any handouts that are necessary, and collect offering during the designated worship service. Families are welcome to serve together in this ministry.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

Information Center

The Information Center is the central location for all materials pertaining to event sign-ups, membership and school. Volunteers will help people as needed with general church/school information and event sign ups.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

Presentation of Gifts

Sign up your family to bring forward the gifts of bread and wine for Eucharist. Volunteer for the service you typically attend.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

Candle Care Crew

Be a part of this ministry to support the worship space. Twice a week teams fill candles with oil for worship. The time requirement is minimal.

Training Required

Acolytes

Acolytes assist in carrying the torches and crucifix in procession for Eucharist, along with assisting the pastor in other ways as needed.

Training Required

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**



MUSIC MINISTRY

Piano

Use your talents to accompany or perform piano solos and/or play for worship.

As needed - Saturday/Sunday

Instrumentalists

We invite those who play brass, woodwinds, string, or percussion to use their talents and participate in various instrumental ensembles for special services.

As needed - Saturday/Sunday

Trinity Handbells

This group participates in worship primarily at the Sunday 9am services. It is open to Senior High students and adults. Reading music is a prerequisite.

- **Practice - Thursday 5:30pm**
- **Perform - Sunday**

Trinity Choir

This group sings primarily for the Sunday 9am services. It is open to Senior High students and adults.

- **Practice - Thursday 6:30pm**
- **Perform - Sunday**

Worship Team

This group participates in contemporary worship. Vocalists and instrumentalists are needed

- **Practice - Thursday 7:30pm**
- **Perform - Sunday 10:30am**

Sound Board Operator

Duties include:

- Monitoring Sound Levels
- Turning on/off Mics
- Getting Trevor Coffee

Training Required

Worship Slide Operator

Duties include:

- Attention to detail in Worship
- General knowledge of songs used in worship
- Working knowledge of computers

Training Required

SCHOOL MINISTRY

P.T.O.

There are several ways to get involved. One can be a committee chair or just a general volunteer that helps at events or works in the classroom throughout the year. P.T.O. members will hold a meeting once a month that is open to everyone to stay up to date with what they are doing to support the school.

Ongoing

Classroom Mentor

Classroom Mentors are requested for all levels. Mentors are friends from the church who partner with a teacher and their classroom for the year. You would support the classroom through prayer, the occasional visit as your schedule allows getting to know the students and sharing your interests and gifts. Students and volunteers enjoy the time getting to know each other and the extra hands are always appreciated!

Ongoing

Homework Helper

As a homework helper you would assist students who may need a little extra attention in a particular subject with their homework immediately after school. Times to be arranged with individual classroom teachers or during the after school program.

Monday-Friday 3-3:30pm

Guest Reader

Visit a classroom or school library to read a story to students on a regular basis or plan a one time visit.

As scheduled with teacher

School Library

Check library books in and out, help students find books, shelve returned books.

As scheduled with teacher (weekly)

Learning Center Helper

Work with small groups of younger students in teacher-directed learning activities.

As scheduled with teacher

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Leaders for Children's Classes

The spiritual well being of our children is important. Volunteers are needed to lead the children in Bible activities, crafts, and games based on the theme of the day.

Sundays 10:30-11:15am

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00pm

Assistants for Children's Classes

Want to be involved in children's ministry but don't want to lead? This role may be perfect for you. You would assist the leader in helping the kids with crafts and games.

Sundays 10:30-11:15am

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00pm

Bible Study/Events Child Care

Qualified volunteers are needed to care for children ages 0-3 so parents may enjoy a bible study or special event held at Trinity. Volunteers should have prior experience working with young children.

Sundays 10:30-11:15am

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00pm,

Special Events

FourTwelve

Small group leaders are needed who are comfortable spending time with youth grades 6-8, willing to have fun, and open to sharing their faith experiences to help students. This is a year long commitment.

Begins Wed. Sept. 9th 6:45-8:00pm

Sanctus

Leaders are needed who are willing to connect with youth grades 9-12, engage them in conversations, and share in a life together.

Begins Sun. Sept. 18th 6-8pm

CARE MINISTRIES

Caring for our Elderly

A visit, phone call, card, or meal can bring great joy to someone who is confined to their home or in home nursing care. When you join this ministry, you will be given the name of an elderly member, and you will contact this person once a month or more with an act of kindness and care.

At least once a month

Transportation

Volunteers for this ministry would have to be able to take other people to and from an appointment during the day and must have a valid driver's license & auto insurance.

As Needed

Meals Team

We offer meals to our members that are expecting a baby, having surgery, or are experiencing other crisis. This team uses a website to organize meals and communicate to each other and the family.

As Needed

Family Care

The care of our families who are expecting a baby is an incredible opportunity we have as a church with young families. This ministry is also available to anyone who suffers a miscarriage, stillborn birth or any other crisis.

As Needed

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are trained to provide one-to-one Christian care to hurting people in and around our congregation. Stephen Ministry is grounded in Jesus' command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring and confidential relationships, those who are hurting receive the love and care they need to support them. **Those who are interested in being a Stephen Minister attend a 50 hour training course beginning in August.**

Prayer Chain

Be a part of the email prayer chain and pray for your brothers and sisters at Trinity and all those who seek support in prayer.

Ongoing

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Events

CCS Bag Project

The task is simple, but the impact is great as we sort and fold recycled grocery bags to be used in the Church Community Services Food pantry.

Ongoing Mon. 12:30-2pm

Quilting Ministry

Are you a quilter? Join a dedicated group of volunteers in making baby quilts for those in need. This group meets once a month in the school art room.

2nd Thursday 9-11am

Outreach Helper

Throughout the year we participate in various outreach projects in our community. Activities may range from preparing food to delivering items to helping out at an event.

This is on an as needed basis.

Event Team

This group is called upon if we have a special reception or event that will offer refreshments. Planning, preparing food, setting up, serving, and cleaning up are all part of this hospitality based ministry.

This is on an as needed basis.

Oktoberfest

Volunteers will help map out, set up and clean up the Oktoberdash Fun Run. Volunteers will also help serve food, supervise inflatables, set up or clean up at the Oktoberfest.

Sept 16th

Luther Movie Night

Volunteers will serve snack, set up chairs as needed.

September 18

Father Son Nerf Wars

Moms will help plan the event, set up course, purchase and serve food, and clean up.

September 22

Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

Join us at the off campus event in Middlebury to support and serve law enforcement professionals from all over the world. Duties include serving food, greeting, supervising inflatables and more. Look for the sign ups at the information center in September.

October 7th

Craft Bazaar

You can be a part of the Craft Bazaar team and help with set up and clean up, work the door prize area and bake sale table.

Sat. Nov. 4th, 8am-2pm



Christmas Church Decorating

Use your decorative flare in helping to decorate our church for Christmas. Trees, wreaths, and so much more will be used.

November 29

Advent Cookie Fellowship

Volunteers will help set up and clean up, bake cookies, and serve food/drinks.

December 6th & 13th

Quarter Paddle Auction

Volunteers will help with planning, set up and take down, collecting quarters throughout the night, serve food, or take tickets.

January 6

Lenten Soup Suppers

Organize, serve or clean up. Whatever you can give, we will take!

February/March

Marriage Event

Volunteers help with set up and take down, and also with planning.

February 10

Daddy Daughter Dance

Set up Saturday morning, work in kitchen, clean up after dance at 10:00pm

March 3

CruFest

Many volunteers are needed for the success of this school benefit auction, including planning committee, decorations, silent auction, set-up and clean-up.

April 27

Vacation Bible School

Volunteers will help teach, lead children, set up and take down decor, or plan the week.

June 18-22

FACILITIES MINISTRIES

Adopt a Garden

Families can adopt a garden area around our facility. Duties would include weeding, tree trimming, and planting flowers in the spring in garden areas.

**Weekly during growing season
(spring to early fall)**

Cleaning

Duties would include cleaning windows, dusting, and other light work as directed by the Facilities Director.

As needed

Pew Crew

A group comes in once a month to dust pews, window sills, pictures, and altar area.

Once a month

Office Helper

Helpers are needed occasionally for assembling mass mailings, shredding, data collection, and small projects.

As needed.

COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY

Story Team

We are looking for a group of people who would like to use their skills and talents to help share the story of our life together at Trinity. Here are the roles we are looking for:

Copywriters

Your role would be to write copy for specific events and happenings at Trinity. We would provide the details and the word count and you would craft an article based on that.

Editors

As a staff we write a lot, but we could always use an extra set of eyes. If you like grammar and telling people they are wrong this could be the perfect job for you.

Event write-ups

Do you attend a lot of events at Trinity? We would like to have some first hand accounts of people's experiences at the events so that we can share those with our community.

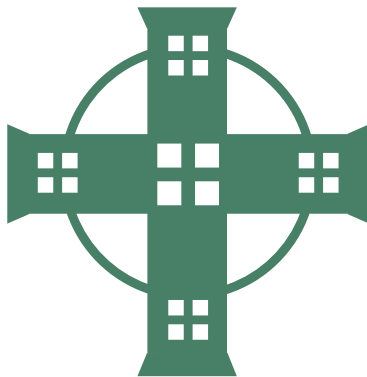
Photographers

We would like a team of photographers that can help us document our life at Trinity. You would choose when you work. You would need your own equipment.

Videographers

We all have been enjoying the videos that highlight different aspects of life at Trinity. If you have some experience in the area of video we would like to talk to you and see if we can work together to highlight the Trinity story.

Communications Ministry time commitments will vary. It will be on an as needed basis. You can specify with your ministry contact your availability.



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