

Volunteer Opportunities

COMMITTEES OF THE CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Administration Committee This committee is responsible for providing managerial assistance to the church staff and congregational council for all St. John's property and policies, and shall maintain adequate insurance for all church property.

Christian Education Committee has responsibility for the educational programs for all ages of St. John's congregation. The committee's responsibilities include Sunday School programs, Vacation Bible School, confirmation, adult education programs, mentally challenged education program and our church library. The committee assists in the selection of curriculum and the recruitment of teachers and volunteers, and development of other programs to support the continued growth of our educational programs.

Church Property Committee is responsible for the maintenance of all church property so that it is safe and in good repair. This committee consists of two sub committees, the Building Committee, and the Grounds Committee.

Congregational Involvement Committee is responsible for getting the congregation involved.

Involved in what? Involved in arranging the things that makes St. John's a comfortable and enjoyable place to worship. We set up the coffee teams, the greeter teams, and we organize the fun things we do as a group.

Evangelism Committee is an opportunity to meet and welcome new members to St. John's. This committee organizes and supports the new member orientation. This committee also assists in publishing St. John's annual informational brochure

Finance Committee exercises oversight of all the financial affairs of the congregations to make sure that they are being conducted efficiently. Offerings are counted on Sunday mornings by members of this committee.

Social Ministry Committee we submit and are responsible for the Benevolence Fund Budget. It is our goal to understand as fully as we can those entities, which receive funding through this budget. Further, it is our goal to increase the commitment of our congregation in serving the Lord, in a variety of ways. Aside from our involvement with the synod and national church, we are locally involved with the Lakeville Resource Center, Loaves and Fishes, Sharing and Caring Hands, and food and clothing drives. We are also responsible for the "Befrienders" – members of our congregation who make home visits to let shut-ins know that St. John's Church hasn't forgotten them. The Global Missions Committee and the Parish Nurse Ministry also report to Social Ministry.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE The committee performs a number of annual tasks and works with other committees to provide a positive Christ-centered environment for stewardship within the congregation. There are four primary tasks that the Stewardship Committee is responsible for during the year. These include the following:

- Lenten Bank Giving Program

- St. John's Gift Opportunity Listing
- Volunteerism Stewardship and the Time and Talent Registrations
- Financial Stewardship and the Fall Stewardship Campaign including the Leadership Dinner and Celebration Sunday Brunch

Women Of The Evangelical Lutheran Church In America Every woman of St. John's is invited to grow in faith, use her gifts, support each other and minister by action! For some great information, go to www.elca.org. Participate in a circle, use leadership skills on the Board, fellowship during the Scandinavian Dinner baking workshops or quilting, and travel with us to other sites to share with the larger community of women!

Worship And Music Committee insures that the worship services are conducted in a faith-filled, faithful way in the classic, historic, liturgical format that is practiced around the world and has sustained the faith of the Church for centuries.. Volunteers supervised by the Worship and Music Committee include persons of all ages interested in Chancel Choir, youth choirs, instrumentalists, soloists, accompanists, ushers, readers, decorating team, communion servers, sound team and worship preparation.

Youth Committee

The mission of St. John's Youth Ministry is to guide the development of Christian faith in all youth.

In order to fulfill this mission, a team of adults and youth are needed. This team, or committee, is committed to meeting monthly to pray for youth as well as to plan, promote and implement events for youth and their families. These events range from several hours to several weeks and include social, recreational, and spiritual components.

EDUCATION

***Firelight* 3-year olds through 4th grade, Sunday 9:40-10:30**

Ablaze – 5th-6th grade, Wednesdays 7:00-7:50 p.m.

- Teacher
- Co-Teacher
- Youth helper
- Substitute
- **Fire-Up leader**
- Office Helper
- Events assistant
- Children's Ministry Committee member

Vacation Bible School, first week after school is out in June

Adult leaders

- Bible Station leader
- Crafts Station leader
- Games Station leader
- Snacks Station leader

- Opening leader
- Closing leader
- Music leader

Youth leaders

- Small Group leaders

Affirm Confirmation Ministry

- Small Group leaders

Christian Growth

- Retreat Planning Committee

Adult Education

- Planning Committee
- Guest Speaker

Special Needs Adult Education

- Class Assistant

CHURCH PROPERTY

- Maintain Church Property
- Plumbing
- Clean-up Workday, fall and spring
- Painting
- Lawn and Garden

WORSHIP

- Greeter
- Coffee Servers
- Coffee Team Captain
- Worship Assistant
- Special Service Assistant
- Reader
- Usher
- Pew Straightener
- Worship Host or Hostess
- Communion Preparation
- Communion Server
- Decorating

MUSIC

Choir Program

- *Chancel Choir* (Adults)
- *Praise Singers* (Grades 7-12)
- *GRACE Singers* (Grades 4-6)
- *Sonshine Singers* (Grades K-3)
- *Cantata Choir*

- Children's Choir Accompanist
- Children's Choir Helper

Vocal and Instrumental Music

- Organ
- Piano
- Vocal Solo/Ensemble
- Instrumental Solo/Ensemble

YOUTH

- Fellowship events (Paintball, Skiing, Bowling)
- Service events (Operation Christmas Child, caroling)
- Serving meals (Easter Breakfast, Lenten meal)
- Lock-in
- Small Group Leader
- Pray for youth
- Mentor a youth
- Drive for events

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL MEMBERS

- Participate in a prayer chain group to prayerfully support need request
- Provide food for funeral lunches
- Prepare food in your home and deliver to church
- Help at funeral lunches
- Help prepare food for Lenten suppers
- Help serve at Lenten Suppers
- Help clean-up at Lenten Suppers
- Help with the annual Scandinavian Dinner
- Heritage Committee, oversee the preservation of the history of St. John's
- Mail monthly birthday cards to senior citizens

SERVICE

- Assist Parish Nurse
- Transport elderly/handicapped
- Loaves and Fishes at the Creekside Community Center, Bloomington
- Shut-in visitation (Befrienders)
- CPR certified
- Grief Companion

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

- Assemble the Weekly Bulletin
- Office Assistant
- Newsletter Assembler
- Help with Special Mailings
- Substitute Help

TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE

- Web Designer/Web Master/Web Assistant
- Information Technology
- Network Administration
- Communications Specialist

FINANCE

- Help with the annual audit
- Help count Sunday morning offering

SEWING CIRCLE

- Help sew and tie quilts twice a month

If you are interested in any of the above opportunities please call the church office at 952-469-4916.