

Serving Within the Walls of St. Paul

List of Opportunities

January 2023

Worship

Chairperson – Caroline Fields (706-615-5232 or carolinefields@gmail.com)

Co-Chairperson – Susan Middlebrooks (706-566-2414 or scm2125@charter.net)

1. Altar Guild

Chairperson – Mary Pat King (706-527-5256 or mpkintdesign@gmail.com)

Seasonal Decorations – Mary Pat King, Mary Lu Lampton (706-464-2076 or mlulamp@aol.com),

Betty Roberts (706-329-6964 or betty@bettyrobertsinteriors.com)

Chrismon Trees - Mary Lovett Beck (706-315-5158 or mlvarner@gmail.com),

What is it? Guild members bring beauty in and around our church to glorify God. Guild members serve with dedication, reverence, faithfulness and devotion for the love of God and results in a sense of awe, joy, and gratitude to create beauty in our worship services.

How can you serve? Volunteers make floral arrangements in the Chapel, Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall for worship services (primarily greens in the Chapel and Fellowship Hall), break down the arrangements on Monday to deliver to members who are in the hospital, etc. Primary skill is making the flower arrangements; time involved is dependent on needs. During Advent and Lent seasons, special decorations are used.

2. Ushers

Chairperson for 8:30 is Ken Crumpler (706-593-9523) and for 11:00 Traditional is Joe Bridges (706-326-2953 or jbridges42@hotmail.com)

What is it? Ushers serve the worship service by handing out church bulletins and greeting people as they arrive, assisting with seating, recording attendance, collecting the offering, directing members during Communion, and working with clergy to help with flow of worship.

How can you serve? Volunteers are organized in December by the chairperson and a schedule is created, giving each volunteer one month to serve. Some act as substitutes to be on-call as needed during the year.

3. Communion Stewards

Mary Varner (706-315-7075 or mary@maryvarner.com and Helen Burgin (706-326-0735 or helen.bur@charter.net)

What is it? Communion stewards have the responsibility of overseeing the elements used in the Communion services during worship.

How can you serve? Volunteers prepare the bread and juice for each service and prepare the altar for the elements. Elements are also prepared for our unwillingly absent and are delivered to them.

4. Music Ministry

Staff – Wayne Martz (706-587-2192 or waynemartz@gmail.com)

John Schley (706-464-7742 or johnschley@aol.com)

What is it? Purpose of the music ministry is to move the hearts and minds closer to God of all who hear and all who sing. In addition to the Chancel and Bell Choirs, there are several children choirs – Carol (K and 1st grade), and Covenant (2nd-5th grade). The Contemporary worship service also has a Praise Band.

How can you serve? Call Wayne and join! Rehearsals are as follows: Carol (K and 1st grade) Sundays at 5:00, Covenant (2nd – 5th grades) Sundays at 6:00, Chancel Wednesdays at 7:00 and Sundays at 10:30, Hand Bells Wednesdays at 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Praise Band practices Saturdays at Noon.

5. Greeters

Larry and Ginger Harper (706-221-0197 or lharper@knology.net)

What is it? Greeters extend the welcoming hand of God to visitors and members as they enter worship areas. At the 11:00 a.m. Traditional service, greeters stand at the Sunday School, Chapel and Narthex entrances to hand out bulletins and welcome everyone. At the 9:00 a.m. Contemporary service, greeters also serve as ushers to help with the offering collection. Please be in place by 10:20 a.m.

How can you serve? For the 11:00 a.m. Traditional service, let Larry and Ginger know to put your name on the “once a month” schedule created in December for the next year. Commitments are for one year at a time.

Connect/Invite

Chairpersons: Mark Ellis (706-527-9854 or smarkellis@bellsouth.net) and Courtney Ellis (706-289-7480 or courtneyellis1975@gmail.com)

What is it? The purpose of the Connect Team (formerly called Evangelism) is to help visitors, once they “get to the sidewalk”, feel welcome and wanted at St. Paul. Christian love is shown by warm verbal welcome in the halls, in the sanctuary, in activities and followed by phone calls and hand written notes.

How can you serve? Volunteers reach out to visitors via phone calls, notes, invitations to SS, Wednesday Night Supper, Bible Studies, worship services, etc.

Care

Chairperson: Clara Middlebrooks (706-681-2372 or ctm@charter.net)

What is it? Purpose of this committee is to show love to members of the church who are new to St. Paul, who are unwillingly absent, grieving or in need of care.

How can you serve? Volunteers show God's love to those who grieve by visiting the home, offering to take food, or acting as ushers at the funerals at St. Paul. Those who are unwillingly absent may receive phone calls, visits, birthday cards, notes, poinsettias, and meals on special occasions (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter). New members are welcomed with home baked cake or bread.

The Prayer Guild (Sherry Evans 706-573-0065) falls under this team and their purpose is to pray for and write notes to people in our church, our community, and beyond who are ill or have other situations which need our guild to pray for them.

Education (Grow)

Chairperson:

Staff: Grace Bailey (706-332-1220 or grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

1. Pre-School

Director: Nan Konze (706-327-7452 or nan@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? While the emphasis at St. Paul Preschool is on building character and curiosity, our priority is to teach God's word and how our children can apply it to their lives. We have been an outreach and mission program offered to children two months through four years of age since 1981.

How can you serve? Volunteers are encouraged to share their talent with our students, to organize a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon in the spring, and to help with the "Day in the Life of Jesus, a re-enactment of Biblical times" for preschool students.

2. Elementary Age

Staff: Jess Stanley (706-327-7419 ext.???) or jessica@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? Proverbs 22:4 states "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it" and is the foundation for all of the programs within this vital area.

How can you serve? Volunteers are needed to teach SS (new teachers start on Promotion Sunday in August and commit to one year), to help with Vacation Bible School (directing, planning, teaching, music, crafts, snacks) , Summer Camps (Elementary), to help with Children's Church, to help with Acolytes, to help with special programs, and to help with Confirmation by being a mentor, just to name a few! Other opportunities are to help build props/backdrops for VBS, to help lead music in Children's Church or agree to be on a substitute teacher list

3. Youth Age

Staff: Director of Youth: Laura Marvets (706-566-0728), Assistant Youth Director: Logan Ogletree

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→ Visit here to get connected with all of our social media accounts, parent text reminders & emails and our online community.

What is it? St.Paul Youth (SPY) is a gospel driven, energetic ministry for 7th -12th grade students.

Our tagline is FIND. FOLLOW. FISH - Matthew 4:19. Our foundation is built on Jesus, and this tagline is our mission statement in just three words. We want kids to meet Jesus and FIND purpose and community in him. We aim to teach students how to FOLLOW Jesus through discipleship and worship. And we want to make them disciples (FISHERS OF MEN) through evangelism in sharing what Jesus has done for them in their schools and community.

How can you serve? Volunteers are needed to chaperone youth trips and events and hosting events, to be building patrol for Sunday Night Youth, and to help with driving the busses for youth events and summer trips. Other needs are to serve as dedicated small group leaders for Sunday night youth, along with Sunday School teacher and being a soundboard for ideas and parental opinion and support!

4. Adults

Staff: Grace Bailey (706-332-1220 or grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? Adult education on God's word and applications to life can be found on Sunday mornings in a variety of Sunday School classes and in numerous Bible Studies throughout the week. Whether one has been a Christian for 80+ years or just a few days, all adults have something to learn as they grow on this journey.

How can you serve? Volunteers are needed to teach adult classes, to serve as substitute teachers, and to lead/facilitate small groups and Bible Studies.

5. Family Ministries

Staff: Grace Bailey (706-332-1220 or grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? The purpose of Family Ministries is to provide "family" activities that sponsor hospitality to members and non-members. Activities are inviting and welcoming – i.e. Fall Festival, Movie on the Lawn, Family Bingo, Easter Egg Hunt and Back to School Bash.

How can you serve? More volunteers are needed to help coordinate an individual event and also to help those who coordinate!

6. REAL Women's Ministry

Staff: Grace Bailey (706-332-1220 or grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? REAL - The goal is to provide a creative and joyful environment, to build relationships, to encourage spiritual growth, and to demonstrate service to others. Monthly meetings will be on the third Thursday of each month, locations will vary.

How can you serve? Come and support, be willing to lead one of the meetings, invite others to join, or offer to help make the hors d'oeuvres!

Media and Technology

Staff – Rev. John Fugh, Jr. (706-718-6505 or john@stpaulunitedmethodist.com) or Theresa Holzkecht (229 – 726-8971 or theresa@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

What is it? Multimedia technology support is used for the various ministries at St. Paul. Training will be cheerfully provided as needed!

How can you serve?

1. Worship and Sermon Graphics
Believe it or not, you *don't* have to be artistic to serve as a volunteer with Worship and Sermon Graphics. With tools and resources provided, you can assist proclaiming the Gospel visually.
2. Prepare and present worship songs during 9 a.m. Contemporary Service
As a volunteer on this team, you will serve on Sunday mornings during the 9 a.m. worship service with two major responsibilities: 1) prepare the worship song graphics for that particular Sunday and 2) operate the graphics by computer during the worship service.
3. Audio and Video Post-Production
Post-production is taking the raw video and audio from the services and preparing them for posting on the Internet. Edit raw audio and video from 9am and 10:55am services; and post audio to our website and video to our YouTube channel.
4. Live Streaming Production for Worship and Studies
Streaming allows viewers to watch our events on the Internet. Volunteers will be scheduled for services.
5. Creative Team
Creative volunteers help make event graphics for our social media outlets, website, digital signs, posters, and events.
6. Photographer

As a photographer volunteer, you capture the many ways our members highlight what God is doing in our midst. Photography keeps us connected digitally and spiritually.

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