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Spiritual Gifts

Each one of us has been blessed by the Holy Spirit with unique *spiritual gifts*. They are who you are. They are why you gravitate toward certain things. They are what seems natural or easy for you, yet extraordinary to others. They are God-given skills, abilities, and talents through which God wishes to pour his love, mercy, and power into the lives of other people.

It takes many different types of people, skills, and talents to make Westminster what it is. There is no one set of people, one set of talents. It is all of us. It includes you. Paul explained it best to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 12: 17-21):

¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

We are one body; one body in Christ. There is a wide range of opportunities to use your gifts in this booklet. You are invited to share your interest in using your gifts in order to serve Westminster and beyond.

Different Types of Spiritual Gifts

Administration	To understand the goals of a given segment of the Church ministry and to effectively keep the Church on course
Artistry/Craftsmanship	To use hands and minds to build God's kingdom through artistic and creative means
Discernment	To know with assurance of what to do to further God's love
Evangelism	To share the Gospel with unbelievers in a way that the unbeliever becomes a disciple
Encouragement	To offer to someone who is hurting spiritually or emotionally comfort
Faith	To possess extraordinary confidence in God's promises, power, and presence
Giving	To offer material blessings with willingness, cheerfulness and liberally
Hospitality	To offer lodging, food or fellowship welcomingly and effortlessly
Music	To praise God through various forms of worship to enhance the worship experience
Humor	To lighten our worldly woes with fellowship and camaraderie
Pastoring	To assume responsibility for the spiritual welfare of a group of believers
Intercession	To pray for extended periods of time with great positive affects
Service/Missionary	To identify undone tasks and get them done. To minister with whatever their Spiritual Gifts are to a different culture or community
Knowledge	To understand in an exceptional way the great truths of God's Word and to make them relevant to specific situations in the church
Teaching	To communicate the truths of God's Word so that others can understand and learn
Leadership	To motivate, direct and inspire God's people in a way they voluntarily and harmoniously work together
Wisdom	To understand God's will and work as it relates to living of life
Mercy/Healing	To restore health to the sick or to feel exceptional empathy and compassion for those who are suffering so that they devote large amounts of time and energy to alleviate it
Writing	To translate Bible truths into a written form that edifies, instructs and strengthen a community of believers

Westminster periodically offers a course entitled "Living the Faith, Discovering your Spiritual Gifts" that helps individuals discover their spiritual gifts. More information is available through Adult Ministries.

Worship & Arts

The Worship Committee oversees all aspects of the worship life of the church including weekly Saturday and Sunday worship services and additional services for Advent, Easter and other occasions. The Committee is responsible for music, preaching, communion, weddings, baptisms, funerals, greeters, ushers, audio-visuals, and other related activities.

Planning

Worship Committee Member

Monitor church services; coordinate ushers, greeters, communion preparers and servers, and other worship needs. Serve as an active committee member at monthly Sunday evening meetings.

2 hours per month, 10-12 times a year

of volunteers needed: 12

Lake Brandt Worship Team Member

Serve as a team member at monthly meetings to oversee and plan all aspects of worship life at the Lake Brandt campus.

2 hours per month; 10-12 times a year

of volunteers needed: 12

Weekly Needs

Ushers & Greeters

Duties include greeting and welcoming worshippers before worship services, ushering worshippers to their seats, collecting the offering; serving communion; and serving as a resource to answer questions from the congregation.

2 hours per week, several times a year

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Funeral Ushers and Greeters

For funeral and memorial services held at the church, individuals are needed to greet and direct those attending funerals held at the church as well as distribute bulletins and assist with seating.

1 hour as needed during the year

of volunteers needed unlimited

Multilingual

People needed who speak a language other than English and are willing to participate in reading a scripture translation during worship.

1-2 times annually,

15 volunteers children-adult ages

Audio & Visual Operators

Operate sound system and coordinate audiovisual effects during worship services; training provided.

2-3 hours per week, once each 4-6 weeks

of volunteers needed: 12

Worship Transition and Set Up Teams

Assist in setting up and tearing down Worship Band microphones, music stands, speakers, and wiring; rearrangement of sanctuary and chapel at Friendly campus. Assist with various set up and tear down needs at Lake Brandt campus.

15 minutes - 1 hour a week, once a month

of volunteers needed: 24-30

Media Ministry

An individual who will duplicate the worship services on Monday morning to DVD, CD and to MP3 files. DVD and CDs are distributed to homebound and available for check out in the Adult Library. MP3 files of the sermon go on the website. Training provided.

2 hours per week

of volunteers 2-4

Monthly Needs

Communion Preparers

Prepare communion elements for worship services, place elements on communion table before services, and clear communion table after worship services; training provided.

1 hour each month, several times each year

of volunteers needed: 12

Communion Servers

Assist ministers in serving communion to members of the congregation.

1 hour each month during worship, several times each year

of volunteers needed: 32 for 5 services

Music

Chancel Choir Member

The Chancel Choir is a non-auditioned group that prepares music for the 11:00 traditional worship service throughout the year. In addition, the choir performs two major choral works each year with orchestra. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 with a brief warm up on Sunday mornings at 10:15 am before the worship service.

3 hours a week, 40 weeks a year

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Musicians – Worship Band

This is an auditioned group which provides music leadership for Westminster's contemporary worship services. Instrumentalists are needed to assist in special services. Although high level vocal and/or instrumental skill is necessary, formal musical training is not a requirement.

Members rehearse once a week on a rotating basis

Music Camp

Serve as volunteer support to Director of Music Ministries for a one-week summer camp. No musical experience required. Volunteers will assist music staff and serve as group leaders for classes of 15-20 children. Volunteers are also needed for snack preparation.

15 hours; 1 time per year

of volunteers needed: 20

Children's Choir Assistant

Serve as volunteer support to Director of Music Ministries during choir rehearsals. No musical experience required.

Time varies

of volunteers needed 4

Arts

Visual Arts Volunteer

Arranging seasonal decorations, changing banners as liturgical seasons change for both campuses..

3 hours per week, 1-2 months a year

of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Advent Decorations Volunteer

Decorate all service locations for Advent; set-up and decorate Chrismon and angel trees; place wreaths, candles, and garland; take down decorations after Advent.

3-5 hours, once a year

of volunteers needed: 20

SERVE

Outreach Ministries

The mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church Outreach ministry is to seek and respond to the needs of God's people by striving to transform lives and equip our community for faithful service. As we center our efforts around shelter, hunger, educational and medical needs, we build relationships, share resources and enrich lives.

Ongoing - Local Outreach

Eastside Park Community Center Homework Helper

Volunteers serve as homework helpers and provide other volunteer assistance at the Eastside Park Community Center.

3-6pm Monday thru Thursday of each month

of volunteers needed: 5 - 7

Guilford Interfaith Hospitality Network Volunteer

Westminster houses homeless families in our church four times a year. Opportunities to participate in hosting the guests include getting our facility ready, van driving, preparing meals, and being an evening or overnight host for the families.

Time required varies by task

of volunteers needed: 65-75

Mobile Meals Volunteer

The Mobile Meals organization ensures that homebound seniors receive a hot meal and interaction with the outside world five evenings a week. You provide and deliver lunch or dinner the first Wednesday of each month to a homebound senior.

2 - 3 hours the 1st Wednesday of each month

of volunteers needed: 15-20

Partnership Village Family Coordination

Partnership Village is a transitional housing community for formerly homeless individuals and families. Coordinators for this ministry work with these families to provide back to school supplies, Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas presents.

*1-2 hours per month in **August, November and December***

of volunteers needed: 36

Pathways Shelter Dinner Server

Operated by Greensboro Urban Ministry, Pathways provides emergency, temporary shelter for homeless families with children. Every third Thursday of the month volunteers prepare and serve dinner for the transitional residents.

2 hours the 3rd Thursday of each month

of volunteers needed: 4-6

Senior Wheels Transportation Volunteer

On the fourth Monday of each month Westminster volunteers can be found throughout Greensboro transporting adults 55 years and older to and from their medical appointments.

2 hours the 4th Monday of each month

of volunteers needed: 15

Weaver House Breakfast Volunteer

Operated by the Greensboro Urban Ministry, Weaver House provides temporary shelter for homeless single adult men and women. On the first Sunday morning of each month Westminster members prepare and serve breakfast, as well as lead devotional music and prayer.

2 hours first Sunday of each month

of volunteers needed: 15

Initiatives to Address Chronic Homelessness

Be a member of a Hope Team to work with either a formerly chronic homeless individual through Greensboro's Housing First initiative or Beyond Pathways, addressing issues with homeless families with children. Training sessions will be offered to equip volunteers in this unique ministry.

Time required: varies with task

of volunteers: 4-6 per team

Annual Events *Sign-Up Opportunities will be in Take Note & website closer to the date*

Alternative Giving Volunteer

Volunteers will assist with the Alternative Giving Sale that is held in December during the Advent season.

*4 hours one Sunday in **December**; other times as needed*

of volunteers needed: 6 - 8

CROP Walk Participant

The Greater Greensboro CROP Walk is an annual 5K-community walk that raises money to feed the hungry in Greensboro through Urban Ministry.

*2 – 3 hours the day of the walk in **October***

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Gleaning

Gleaning is the traditional Biblical practice of gathering crops that would otherwise be left in the fields to rot. Gleaners go to the farmer's site, pick crops, and deliver them to area agencies. Email notification of gleaning opportunities is given during the growing season.

4 hours per work day

of volunteers needed: up to 25

“Serving on Holy Ground” – One Great Weekend of Service

This weekend during Stewardship month provides a day of service in the community on Saturday and an emphasis during each worship service on local, national and international outreach mission by mission participants. Opportunities for service include landscaping projects, visitation to local senior living communities and many other ways that improve people's lives in our community..

4 hours on Saturday for service projects

volunteers needed: unlimited

Missions Auction Volunteer

Cataloging, database entry, separating, transporting, arranging rooms, along with many more skills are required to make the annual Missions Auction a successful event.

Various hours from March through April

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Salvation Army Bell Ringer

Joining the Salvation Army's bell ringing campaign is a favorite event for many families at Westminster in the weeks leading up to the celebration of Christ's birth.

2 hours per shift between Thanksgiving and Christmas

of volunteers needed: unlimited

National & International Outreach

Haiti Mission Trip

Members of Westminster will travel to Haiti with Family Health Ministries to work with their medical clinics. Both medical and non-medical folks are needed to participate in these teams.

of volunteers needed: 10 – 15

Kenya Mission Trip

Medical and dental teams will work at Tumutumu Hospital, north of Nairobi. Others will work with New Life Homes, orphanages caring for children with AIDS and with various building projects.

Trip length approximately 11 days

Size of teams will be determined based on need

Mexico Building Trip

On each of the three trips during the summer we build one home in a week alongside the future homeowners. One of the trips takes a medical team which provides much needed medical and dental care for residents of this impoverished land.

Age requirement: 14 or over

of volunteers needed: 15 – 20 for each building team; 4 – 6 for medical team

Appalachian Service Project Team Member

This ministry builds faith, strengthens relationships by helping address the housing needs of low-income families in Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

*Two 3-day trips are sponsored each year, one in the **spring** and one in the **fall**.*

of volunteers needed: 20-24

Disaster Relief

Yearly trip to the Gulf Coast to work on building projects required as the result of devastation from hurricanes.

#of volunteers needed: 20

SERVE

Administration and Finance Committee

The **Administration and Finance Committee** oversees the administration and finances of the church. The Committee is responsible for the church budget, stewardship, office equipment, technology, insurance, property acquisition, and endowment.

Administration and Finance Committee

Oversee all aspects of the administrative and financial aspects of the church.

2 hours per month; 10-12 times a year

of volunteers needed: 4

Endowment Committee

Oversee the invested endowment funds and serves as communicators to the congregation regarding options of gifts.

2 hours per meeting- quarterly

of volunteers needed: 2

Stewardship Committee

Oversee and participate in the stewardship campaign logistics in the fall of the year.

10 hours per month, 3 months per year

of volunteers needed: 10

Technology Teams

Provide technological advice and expertise for the purchase and maintenance of all office equipment including computers, copiers, audio/video equipment, and telephone systems.

2 hours per month to attend committee meeting; other hours vary according to projects

of volunteers needed: 6-10

Computer Input

Assist with computer input and record keeping.

Time requirement varies; 2 – 4 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 2-4

Church Office Receptionist

Greet visitors to church office and answer incoming calls. Assist with copying and mailings.

Time requirement varies; 2 – 4 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 15 - 20

Church Office Assistant

Assist with mailings, newsletter assembly, printing, and other general clerical tasks.

Time requirement varies; 2 – 4 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 15 - 20

SERVE

Property Trustees - Building & Grounds

The **Property Trustees Committee** oversees the maintenance of the church's buildings and grounds. The Committee is responsible for the Sanctuary, Chapel, offices, classrooms, Fellowship Hall, kitchens, Youth House, Redington House, and Columbarium as well as the lawn and grounds of the church and both houses.

Building and Grounds Committee

Oversee buildings and grounds of the church. Determine needs and facilitate completion of those needs.

1-2 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 1-2 with expertise in construction and maintenance, landscaping and interior design.

Gardening & Landscaping

Planting, watering and caring for plants and flowers on church grounds. Weeding and mulching.

4 hours, 3-4 times a year

of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Carpentry

Help with small building projects.

As needed.

of volunteers needed: All with expertise welcome

Handyperson

Assist with small repair projects, assembly of prefab items.

As needed.

of volunteers needed: 2-4

Painting

Assist in painting projects – both interior and exterior.

As needed.

of volunteers needed: 12

Snow Removal

Snow removal and salting when needed.

2 hours, as the weather dictates

of volunteers needed: 8

LEARN

Adult Ministries

The **Adult Ministries Committee** is responsible for all adult education programs, including Westminster Studies (WOW programs), Church School classes, long-term Bible studies, small group and discipleship-building programs as well as other special offerings for adults. The committee also manages the Westminster Church Library for adults and youth.

Adult Ministries Committee Member

Serve as an active committee member in planning and implementing Adult Education programs (including Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes), Bible Studies, Singles Ministries, and resource coordination.

1-2 hours per month; meetings 6-8 times a year

of volunteers needed: 4 – 6

Westminster Studies Course Liaison

Serve as coordinator for one of the Westminster Studies classes. Duties include distributing books and/or handouts and providing general assistance to course instructor.

1-2 hours per week during WOW sessions

of volunteers needed: 6 – 10

Class/Small Group Facilitator

Facilitators will lead class sessions, Bible studies and other small group opportunities. They will also establish class schedule and encourage participation.

2 – 4 hours weekly; depends on individual class schedule

of volunteers needed: 6 – 8

Church Library for Adults and Youth – Committee Member

Assist with shelving and cataloging of books, DVDs, CDs and curriculum resources

2 – 4 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 4 – 6

Devotional Guide Committee Member

Help organize, design, and publish seasonal devotional guides (Advent and Lenten).

4-5 hours per season

of volunteers needed: 4 – 6

Singles Ministry Committee Member

Work with other singles to plan and implement singles activities and studies. Encourage participation in singles ministry.

1-2 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 6-8

Men's Ministry

Work with men of all ages to define and initiate men's ministry as part of Westminster's adult ministry programs.

1-2 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 10-12

Young Adults Ministry

Work with young adults to define and initiate fellowship, programs, study for young adults as part of Westminster's adult ministry programs.

1-2 hours per month

of volunteers needed 4-6

Women's Ministry

Facilitate women's Bible or small group study.

1-2 hours per week; depends on individual class schedule

of volunteers needed: 10-12

LEARN

Children's Ministries

Work with Westminster's children and families in the areas of spiritual nurture, faith formation and fellowship through many programs throughout the year. Facilitate all programming for children as well as provide nursery care during church school, church meetings and special events.

Children's Ministries Committee Member

Be an active volunteer in a program area of choice and help execute programming. Some activities are on-going and some are one time per year. Committee meetings are 1 hour and meet monthly.

1-3 hours per month; 10 months

of volunteers needed: 10

Ongoing

Church School Teacher

Lead Church School lesson at Friendly Ave or Lake Brandt Campus. Curriculum provided and resources ready. Teachers use their gifts to not only impart lessons from the Bible, but to help children relate them to their everyday lives as well as encourage fellowship within age groups. You can be as creative as you want. Training provided. Volunteers needed for all services at both campuses, children age 2 through 5th grade.

As many hours as you feel called to give

of volunteers needed: 76

Church School Shepherd

Person with a love for children, but do not want the responsibility of teaching the lesson.

Assisting teachers at the 9:30 church school hour at Friendly Ave or Lake Brandt Campus.

As many hours as you are called to give

of volunteers needed: 10

Children's Wing Greeter

Volunteer will greet families, direct parents and children to classrooms and answer questions or take information to give to Director of Children's Ministries at Friendly Ave.

10-15 minutes prior to each service on Sunday (9:15-9:30; 10:45-11:00)

of volunteers needed: 10

Nursery Volunteer - Worship

Assist paid nursery workers welcoming families and with the childcare during worship. Holding babies, changing diapers, playing, and feeding as needed.

1-2 hours per quarter

of volunteers needed: 36-40

Nursery Volunteer - Weekday Mornings

Nursery support during Bible studies for babies to preschoolers. Duties include holding babies and toddlers, changing diapers, playing, and feeding as needed.

As needed

of volunteers needed: 1-2

Outrageous Outreach

Assist with monthly outreach activities for 4th & 5th graders on and off campus

2 hours; once a month

of volunteers needed: 8

Westminster on Wednesday (WOW) Class Teacher

Lead a class of children in a time of Bible study, small group and fellowship. Curriculum provided and all supplies in classroom.

1 hour; 5-10 weeks per year

of volunteers needed: 20

Special Needs Children’s Assistant

Work with families to make worship experience positive for parents and children. Shadow child in classroom, train others to do so. Signing is helpful.

Time Varies

of volunteers needed: 4

Children’s Library

Assist with computer cataloging, shelving and maintaining library. Making sure that books are put back on the shelves correctly after weekend. Scanning weekly children’s attendance.

Organize children’s nametags.

1-2 hours each week

of volunteers needed: 3

Bulletin Board Coordinator

Under the direction of the Director of Children’s Ministries, coordinate volunteers to assemble all bulletin boards in rooms. Ideas and materials provided. Help change picture frames in the hall.

3 hours; quarterly

of volunteers needed: 3

Summer Programs

Vacation Bible School Helper

Volunteer support in all areas of Vacation Bible School for more than 200 total participants, including offsite for Outrageous Outreach activities. Areas include set-up, recreation, snack, teaching, crafts, music, nursery and clean-up.

5-15 hours; 2 times per year (preschool and elementary)

of volunteers needed: 85

LEARN

Youth Ministries

Westminster Youth Ministries will be for every young person a safe, inviting and nurturing community of youth and adults growing together in Christ.

As **Youth Ministries** continues to grow at Westminster, we have an increasing need for adult volunteers to serve on our team to help fulfill our vision. Whether it is teaching a class, advising a youth group, working together with youth in local outreach or developing a one-on-one relationship as a mentor, there are many ways to get involved and provide a lasting impact on our young peoples lives. All the leaders who have invested their time and talents with our youth will tell you that it has had a profound impact on their own spiritual growth and faith journey.

Year Long Commitments

Sunday School Teachers

Facilitate and lead as a team using supplied curriculum to present the Bible to middle and high school students in a way that is real and practical in their daily lives.

of volunteers needed 15

Confirmation Leaders

Support the confirmation class during the school year by attending and leading the Sunday morning class, attending retreats, working with mentors, and participating in special events during the year, including worship when youth are confirmed.

of volunteers needed 8

Confirmation Mentors

Work one-on-one with an 8th grade participant throughout their confirmation school year to build and nurture meaningful Christian relationships between youth and adults.

of volunteers needed 40-45

Youth Group Leaders

Primary responsibility is to help plan and lead youth group while building meaningful and lasting relationships with the young people of the church. Middle school meets on Wednesday nights 5:30-7:00 during WOW; High school meets on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30.

of volunteers needed 8-10

Table Group Hosts

Work as a pair to open their home(s) monthly, provide a meal, and lead a lectio divina bible study for a small group (approx 6) youth. The goal of table groups is to provide a safe place where young people can explore the Bible while forming meaningful relationships with other young people and adults.

of volunteers needed 20-30

Grade Level Special Events Coordinators

Plan periodic special events for specific age level(s) to provide fellowship activities for building community among grade members.

of volunteers needed 8-12

College Ministry Coordinator

Recruits and oversees Secret Saints for WPC college students. This person also plans a gathering for college student's home over Christmas.

of volunteers needed 1-2

College Ministry Secret Saints

Are paired anonymously with WPC college students(s) to send notes, cards and care packages throughout the school year.

of volunteers needed 50

Short-term Commitments/As Needed Commitments**30 Hour Famine Planning Team**

Plans the 30 hour fasting period including community service projects, hunger/homelessness education and camp out.

of volunteers needed 20

Youth Worship Volunteers

Are needed to assist in the set up and running of periodic youth worship services, especially Youth Sunday.

of volunteers needed 5

Food Coordinators/Volunteers

Are needed to set up/provide/serve/clean up food for Sunday School, youth groups and other special events. Youth love to eat!

of volunteers needed 4-5

Outreach Volunteers

Individuals who enjoy outreach and are willing to work alongside youth while serving others in off-campus settings, both local and summer mission trips.

of volunteers needed 12-15

Chaperones for Retreats/Off Campus Trips

Individuals who enjoy spending time with youth and are willing to rough it in a sleeping bag if trip is overnight.

of volunteers needed 6-12

Drivers – CDL Licensed for Bus/15 Passenger Van/Drive on Own

Indicate your driving choice and if appropriate how many your vehicles can hold.

of volunteers needed 4

CARE

Congregational Care

The **Congregational Care** committee leads our congregation to demonstrate Christian caring and compassion to all persons related to the life of Westminster Presbyterian Church. *Additional opportunities can be found under Women of Westminster, Children's & Youth Ministries.*

Bereavement Care Team

Provide compassionate expressions of sympathy through a meal for the family, or a reception at the church following memorial/funeral service. Needs include providing food for the reception/meal and/or assisting as needed at a reception.

As needed

of volunteers needed: 25+

Company of Intercessors

The Prayer Team receives a list of the weekly prayer requests and is asked to faithfully hold those persons and concerns before God in prayer.

Ongoing commitment for those who sense God's call to intercessory prayer.

of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Culinary Care Team

Provide a meal (home-cooked or store bought) to members and friends of our congregation during a time of need. Volunteers work as a team and serve twice per year at agreed upon times. Option also to just bake cookies or breads or prepare freezer meals at various times.

As needed

of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Health Team

To provide resources and services for our congregation. To promote physical, emotional, and spiritual health. No medical experience necessary.

Monthly meetings and short term responsibilities with different task groups.

of volunteers needed: 20

Helping Hands

Provide household assistance with clean up, repairs and "make safe" tasks for church members in need. A coordinator guides the activities for each task/.

of volunteers needed: 20 - 24

Homebound Communion

Take communion to homebound church members at least twice a year. The visitor shares church news, scripture, and prayer and the Lord's Supper.

At least bi-annually

of volunteers needed: 4-6

Homebound Floral Delivery

Flowers donated to the church for special occasions are made into smaller arrangements and delivered to our homebound or sick members. Volunteers are needed for arrangements and deliveries.

As needed

of volunteers needed: 8-10

Infertility Network

This team supports those yearning to conceive a child by providing a listening, caring, and supportive presence.

As needed

of volunteers needed: 5 or 6

JOY (Just Older Youth) Team

To provide senior members an opportunity for fellowship through a monthly meal and program. J.O.Y. team volunteers help set up, serve, and clean up the meal.

Volunteers of all ages are welcome (Monthly or as available) # of volunteers needed: 15-20

Men's Visitation Team

To provide a regular visit to those men having a difficult time getting out due to sickness, injury, loss or life altering experience. Visitors exhibit a caring heart and a willingness to visit in others' homes. One annual initial gathering with a pastor and the Men's Visitation coordinators and team captains.

Bi-monthly visits # of volunteers needed: 20

Prayer Shawl Ministry

To knit and pray a shawl according to a specific pattern to be blessed and given to those in need during difficult times. A coordinator organizes periodic gatherings for group prayer, reflection, and sharing.

As available # of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Prenatal Loss Network

This team provides support for couples who have experienced prenatal loss by visiting, providing a meal, offering friendship or other gestures of care. The leader, along with a minister or Stephen Minister, will provide guidance for care.

As needed # of volunteers needed: 5-6

Seminary Students

Support seminarians, deliver scholarship funds to our seminarians, and keep the ministers and elders informed of the status of Preparation for Ministry. Serve as liaison with seminary students on behalf of the Session and in concert with Salem Presbytery Committee on Preparation for Ministry.

One or two year commitment for periodic contact # of volunteers needed: 3-4

Stephen Ministry

Following training, Stephen Ministers provide confidential and competent care to persons who are going through a difficult time. Stephen Ministers make weekly contacts/visits with their care receivers and attend monthly peer supervision gatherings.

At least a 2-year commitment # of volunteers needed: 15-20

Transportation Ministries

Provide transportation to and from church services and other events as requested by the coordinator to enable our homebound members to attend worship and events on a regular basis. Some needs require transporting wheel chairs.

As Needed # of volunteers needed: All are welcome

Wholeness and Healing Service (Elder)

To provide a time for community prayer that includes an opportunity for ministers and elders to surround individuals yearning for healing and wholeness with prayer, the laying on of hands and anointing. This contemplative service includes Taize' music and a time of silent reflection. Elders of the church are invited to serve as members of a prayer team for this service.

1 hour per service – second Sunday of even months

of volunteers needed: 3 Elders per service (does not have to be a currently serving Elder)

Women's Visitation Team

Visit women who are homebound due to sickness, injury, loss of spouse or family member or other life altering experience. Visitors exhibit a caring heart, gifts of conversation, and a willingness to visit in others' homes.

Monthly or as needed.

of volunteers needed: 12-15

Worship Attendance & Worship Response Card Recorders

Keep a record of attendance of visitors and members as well as provide weekly response to Take Note key words and prayer requests and distribution of information to designated persons and committees. Computer experience helpful.

Monday mornings 2-3 hours each week

of volunteers needed: 5-6

Writing Ministry

Writing notes and cards of Christian support to other members of our congregation who have experienced some type of life-changing experience such as death, sickness, injury, divorce, loss of employment, etc. to show compassion and encouragement.

As requested

of volunteers needed: All are welcome

CONNECT

Congregational Connections Committee

Work with Westminster's congregation to help each and every person discover their unique and God-given gifts. Help them discern how to use these gifts for service in our church, the community and in the world. Assist new members and visitors to become involved in activities of service, study, and fellowship.

Congregational Connections Committee

Join the Congregational Connections Committee. Help develop, plan and execute events and endeavors where the congregation can discover their gifts and talents they can offer to service.
1-2 hours; 4 – 6 times a year *# of volunteers needed: 6-8*

First Friends

First Friends help provide a welcoming atmosphere for new church members (one new family unit assigned per 6-12 month time period) through intentional and long lasting relationships. We connect new members to ministries where they are spiritually nurtured and where their gifts are embraced. If you are outgoing, a good communicator, and like to meet new people – this is a great volunteer opportunity for you.
2 hours per month *# of volunteers needed: 25–30*

Welcome Team

Assist the ministers following worship as they greet the congregation. Take notes for the ministers as needed and answer questions from visitors.
30 minutes – 1 to 3 services per month *# of volunteers 12-15*

New Member Dinner Volunteer

Serve as part of a team at New Member Dinners or other Congregational Connections gatherings helping new members feel welcomed. In addition, help with preparation and serving of meals.
3 hours per quarter *# of volunteers needed: 3-5*

Publicity

Work with church personnel to ensure an effective communications strategy with our publications, website, and other internal and external publicity efforts. Need people with backgrounds such as Photographer, Graphic Designer, Copy Editor, Writer, Communications Project Manager, and Web Site Developer.
Varies *# of volunteers needed: 6-10*

Spiritual Gifts and Discovering the Faith Class Facilitator

Help facilitate, or co-facilitate with a minister, a Spiritual Gifts or a Discovering the Faith class. Also assist attendees with choosing a place of service in the church and answer questions about Westminster's volunteer opportunities.
2 hours per week during time class is offered *# of volunteers needed: 2–4*

Artist & Photography

All program areas use the resources of our creatively gifted. Art projects that require this skill include: posters, t-shirt designs, calligraphy, and art for special projects. Take photos during church events: outreach, fellowship, concerts, etc.

Time varies

of volunteers needed: 6-8

Writers

Periodically write stories, articles, brochures or web content for various ministries. Do interviews and write articles for WestminsterLife Newsletter.

2-3 hours monthly ,

6-8 volunteers

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Fellowship Committee

The **Fellowship Committee** plans and executes various social, travel and sports-related events throughout the year for all age groups where church members and guests can come together in a Christ-centered community to build new friendships, nurture existing relationships and foster connectedness and belonging within our church family. Events include our church-wide summer picnic, ice cream social and a fall gathering. We also plan special meals such as our holiday breakfast, monthly men's breakfasts and our Westminster on Wednesday's evening meals. Day trips and 2-3 day special getaways once or twice a year are a highlight for many in our congregation. Sports events such as golf and tennis as well as organized league youth basketball, men's softball, and weekly exercise opportunities are also offered.

Ongoing

Fellowship Committee Member

Foster fellowship within our faith family by giving of time and talents - whether it be creative or organizational to our varied annual events.

1 hour per month

of volunteers needed: 10-12

Fellowship Time Hospitality Team

Volunteers needed to support our ministry of hospitality during the refreshment time on Saturday night, Sunday between services and at the Lake Brandt Campus. Duties include manning refreshment table and extending a warm welcome to all who are present.

30 minute shifts

of volunteers needed - unlimited

WOW Meal Servers

Meet our congregation while serving meals during Westminster on Wednesday (WOW) program. Opportunities include greeting, setup, serve and clean up during 10- week programs.

1 hour commitment each evening

of volunteers needed: 4-6 each week

Men's Breakfast Chefs

Volunteers needed to assist with shopping, food preparation, serving, and clean-up for men's monthly breakfast.

2-3 hours per month (September – May)

of volunteers needed: 8-12

Special Events

Summer & Fall Church-Wide Activities

Many hands are needed to set up / shop / decorate / serve / clean up or assist with an activity.

2 hour shift

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Special Event Volunteer

Varied opportunities each year such as ice cream social, movie night, game night, sports-related events to help as a volunteer.

2 hour shift

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Decorate for Fellowship Events

If you have a creative spirit or an artistic touch, we have many opportunities to help set a theme for a program or event.

2 hour commitment

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Men's Retreat

Volunteers needed to coordinate annual men's weekend.

3-4 hour commitment

of volunteers needed: 2

Sports

Sports

Volunteers needed who have some knowledge of various sports (basketball, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball, golf) to assist at church gatherings.

2-3 hour commitment

of volunteers needed: unlimited

Youth Basketball Coach

Coaches needed for boys and girls middle and high school winter church league teams.

December – February

of volunteers needed: 4-6 as coaches/assistants

Golf Outing Coordinators

Help with planning and executing annual golf outing.

3-4 Hour commitment

of volunteers needed: 4-6

Tennis Social Coordinators

Volunteers needed to coordinate tennis activities.

3-4 Hour commitment

of volunteers needed: 6

Men's Softball Coordinators

Volunteers needed to coordinate softball team for league play (April – June and August – October).

3-4 Hour commitment

of volunteers needed: 2-4

Holiday Events

Holiday Meal Volunteer

Set up, serve and/or clean up opportunities available for annual holiday breakfast.

2 hour commitment in December

of volunteers needed: 10-15

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Women's Ministries

Circle Co-Leader

Serve as co-leader of one of the Women's Circles that meet once a month from September to May.

2 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 6

Circle Bible Moderator

Serve as Bible study leader for one of the Women's Circles that meet once a month from September to May. *(Bible study guide with lesson programs is provided).*

2 hours per month

of volunteers needed: 3

Special Women's Dinners

Volunteers needed to set up for the annual spring gathering dinner and fall salad supper.

2 hours per event

of volunteers needed: 6

Women's Retreat Team

Serve on a team that coordinates the annual Women's Retreat. Team members are needed in the areas of program theme, registration, publicity, fellowship, music and worship to help plan and execute the retreat.

4-6 hours per month from April to August

of volunteers needed: 6 - 10

Angel Makers

Join others once a week to craft angel Christmas tree ornaments for each family of the Westminster congregation that are distributed during Christmas services.

2 hours once a week (meetings are on Thursday mornings)

of volunteers needed: All are welcome