



First
Christian Church

Serving Catalog

First Christian Church desires to see lost people saved and saved people transformed into fully devoted followers of Jesus





INTRODUCTION

How Can I Serve?

As followers of Christ, there is no better way to reflect the heart of the Father and the love of Christ than to drape a serving towel over your arm and ask, "How can I serve?" One exciting way to discover how to serve is to "*just jump in.*"

We believe serving is a life-changing experience. The various ministries of First Christian Church offer many ways to become involved. We hope your exploration of our *Serving Catalog* is a first step on a path of joyful service!

The New *Serving Catalog* is now On-Line

Our web site is: www.fccn.org (click *resources* then click *Master Serving Catalog*)

How to Use the Serving Catalog

- We encourage you to scan through the entire catalog looking at the variety of serving opportunities.
 - List areas that interest you.
 - List areas that you are passionate about.
 - Contact the ministry leader or Rick Riley, Pastor of Adult Ministry.
- If you are looking to serve in a particular area of ministry, take a look at the Table of Contents on **page 3**.
- If you already know your spiritual gifts, you may want to examine the spiritual gift reference chart on **pages 22 – 25**.
- If you are not sure about your spiritual gifts? Sign up for the next Spiritual Gift Class called *Next Steps SHAPE* or take a free Spiritual Gifts Assessment at our web site: www.fccn.org (click *resources* then click *Spiritual Gift Analysis*). Don't let *not knowing* your spiritual gift deter you from trying out a ministry opportunity. Many people discover their gifts by serving!





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Adult Bible Fellowship

Contact Rick Riley, Pastor of Adult Ministries 858-5000/rriley@fccn.org

Adult Bible Fellowship Coordinator – Work with the Pastor of Adult Ministry to plan, organize, recruit, direct and evaluate the Adult Education ministry to ensure Bible learning occurs each Sunday morning in each Adult Education Class. Leadership skills and experience in team building are necessary. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly

Adult Bible Fellowship Administrator – Assist in gathering class information, publishing teaching schedules and recording attendance. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly.

Adult Bible Fellowship Study or Elective Teacher – Lead a Sunday-morning ABF study or teach an adult elective class. A variety of topics and class schedules are available. Interview and training process involved. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly preparation and 1.5 hours teaching on Sundays during one of the 2 service hours – 9 or 10:45 am.

Adult Small Groups

Contact Rick Riley, Pastor of Adult Ministries at 858-5000/rriley@fccn.org

Small Group Coordinator – Work with the Pastor of Adult Ministry to plan, organize, recruit, direct and evaluating the Adult Small Group ministry to ensure effective small group ministry. Leadership skills and experience in team building are necessary. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly.

Small Group Leader – Lead an FCC small group. Interview and training process involved. Time requirement: Approximately 3 hours weekly.

Small Groups Coach – Care for and lead a group of small group leaders. Small group leadership experience needed. Interview and training process involved. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly

Small Groups Administrator - Welcomes potential small group attendees with a phone call and a letter. Connects new people to small group. Maintain small group database of leaders and participants. Some computer database experience is helpful. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly





Bereavement Meals Ministry

Please call Ann Williams at 480-2812, or email at awilliams@themmd.com

Bereavement Meals Coordinator –Works with the Pastor of Adult Ministry to plan, organize, recruit, direct the meals served by church members to the family on the day of the funeral, or in homes if that better meets the needs. Leadership skills and experience in team building are necessary. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours monthly.

Servers/Setup/Takedown: By providing food, funeral meals attempt to alleviate at least some of the pressure families may feel at the time of loss through death. This may be in the form of a meal served by church members to the family on the day of the funeral, or it may take the form of providing food in the home if that better meets the needs. Ann Williams is the Bereavement Meal Coordinator.

If you have a desire to serve in this ministry, on-going volunteers are needed in various areas such as set up, serving and occasional cooking/baking. You can state your job preference, availability, etc. Both men & women are needed!





Children Ministries **(1st – 6th grades) ministry.**

Please contact Fritz Kaufman at 858-5000, ext.201 or fkaufman@fccn.org

Children’s Worship Assistant (Sunday, 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM)

The Children’s Worship assistant is a very important role in our elementary ministries. You will be present for one hour of worship in “The Big Room”, and be extra eyes to keep an eye out for students who are having a difficult time staying focused on the service.

Assistants will also be responsible for helping the service flow by helping the teacher up front, if needed, by cleaning up from the lesson, or counting the kids in the room, or aiding in passing the offering or communion.

Volunteers are needed once a month and you can plan on being present on the same Sunday of the month.

KIDQUAKE assistant (Sunday, 6:00 PM)

Assistants for KIDQUAKE will be available to help keep the students in order and not getting out of control during the course of the evening.

Assistants will help the leader in running games, lining up contestants as they come up on stage, cleaning up the games/stunts, assisting the kids in getting cleaned up, or settled down.

KIDQUAKE meets weekly during the school year, so volunteers would be needed each week. There may, occasionally, be some opportunities to lead a small group of elementary students in a prayer circle.

THE SPRING Assistant (Wednesday, 6:00 PM)

Assistants for THE SPRING will be available to help keep the students in order and not getting out of control during the course of the evening.

Assistants will help the leader by counting the number of students, serving the kids snacks, assisting by holding or handing props to the leader, as well as cleaning up the teaching area (when needed).

THE SPRING meets once a month during the school year. Once a month, assistants will lead a small group of elementary students in a prayer circle (students typically separated by grade).





Safety Team (Sunday, 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM, 6:00 PM, Wednesday, 6:00 PM)

This team of volunteers is crucial to the safety of all elementary students involved in any of our weekly programming.

Volunteers need to be present at least 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the service, help with check-in of regular attendees as well as assisting guests get checked-in and locate the class they need. Safety team volunteers are also asked to be present to assist in the check-out process at the close of that service.

A complete list of guidelines is available and training would be minimal.

Usual commitment time is a month at a time, one service a week, but more volunteers may alter that need.

Sunday School Substitute Teacher (Sunday, 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM)

Those who volunteer for this position will need to be available as our regular teachers need to be gone for any reason.

Typically, it would be just one Sunday, but sometimes, a teacher may need to be gone for more than just one week. All teaching materials would be provided.

Administrative Assistant (Weekday[s])

Those who volunteer for this position would assist the elementary Children's Minister with mailings, attendance records, as well as, occasionally, helping to organize money collected for trips/outings.

The time needed for this position would be scheduled around the volunteer's schedule.

Elementary student volunteer opportunities

We have a variety of opportunities for elementary students to be involved in our ministry: 4th-6th graders can join a team that is responsible for preparing our weekly communion service; 5th & 6th graders can join a team of students who operates our sound system for just about any worship service/weekly program that we have going on. Training is provided throughout the year, and students have several opportunities to sign up to get involved in these areas of service.





Facilities Team

Gary Hopwood at ghopwwod@fccn.org, or call 573-3195.

The facilities team provides the needed help to keep the building clean and well maintained. We have a staff of 2 part time custodians as well as several volunteers that help to accomplish these tasks. We can always use help. Areas needing a volunteer are:

1. Window cleaning
2. Furniture cleaning
3. Lawncare

Volunteers are asked to volunteer 1-3 hours per week, and training is provided. Due to evening activities, we are seeking volunteers that can come in between 8:00AM and 4:00PM weekdays.

First Impressions Team

Contact Brad Ferris at 858-5000 or email him at bferris@fccn.org.

The First Impressions team is responsible for making a positive and lasting first impression to those who attend First Christian Church. This team of volunteers distributes programs, staffs the Welcome Centers, greets people at the entry doors and chaperones guests through our facility. Each volunteer is asked to serve one month each quarter before one of our Sunday morning worship services. A 90-minute training session must be completed prior to serving. To learn more about this important ministry team or to inquire about the next training session, please contact Brad Ferris at 858-5000 or email him at bferris@fccn.org.

Food From the Heart

You can contact Wendy Ahlstedt at 490-8370 if you are interested in FFTH

Food From the Heart offers meals to our church family in times of need. Volunteers are asked to specify the month of the year that they would like to serve. During that month, we ask that two casserole style dishes are prepared and brought to the church freezer. Foil pans, labels and recipe ideas are provided. The casseroles are kept frozen until a FCC family needs food and are then delivered by other volunteers.





Health Ministry

Ann Williams at awilliams@themmd.com, or 480-2812.

The Health Ministry addresses the physical and mental well being of people in the church and community through a variety of in church and outreach programs from blood pressure screening, to fitness programs and more.

The FCC Health Ministry is looking for volunteers of all ages and abilities. Whether a shut-in, or an active person, we need YOU!! Needs include making phone calls and/or mailings, visiting shut-ins, helping with screenings and education, working on committees, developing programs, etc. If you are interested in becoming involved in this ministry that promotes the health of the body, mind and spirit, contact Ann Williams.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Health Ministry Coordinator(s) - Work with Associate Pastor Brad Ferris to plan, organize, recruit, direct and evaluate the Health Ministry.

Requirements: Coordinator should be a Registered Nurse with recognized training or experience in health ministries. Associate Coordinators may be from a variety of health related fields.

Fitness Group Leaders:

Do you like to exercise? We need volunteers who would like to share their passion and experience with groups of like minded people whether it is weight training, walking, running, biking, swimming or aerobics. If so, please contact the Health Ministry Coordinator.

Activities Group Leaders:

Do you enjoy an activity that gets you off the couch? If you do and would like to share your passion with others please contact the Health Ministry Coordinator.

Blood Pressure Screening:

Blood Pressure screenings are provided at the church on a monthly basis typically scheduled before and between Sunday Services. If you are a certified First Responder, EMT, EMT-P, Nurse or medical professional and would like to volunteer please contact the Health Ministry coordinator.

First Aid and CPR Instructors:

Certified First Aid and CPR Instructors are needed to teach programs at church and through community outreach programs.





Jr. High Ministries Worker Descriptions

Please contact SoeBeck Song at 858-5000, ssong@fccn.org

Round Table Discussion Leaders- During Jr. High Sunday School hour – We need 1 adult to sit at each round table to help facilitate discussion. Discussion for us is a big part of Sunday Morning, and we need an adult with each group to help the youth stay focused and also to share in the discussion themselves.

Kitchen Team – We need people to help with kitchen duty. Keeping the kitchen stocked and cleaned, preparing food for our different activities, coordinate making of cookies and brownies, etc.

Worship Team – We need some people to work on worship teams for us. Coordinating kids singing and playing, adult musicians playing, coordinating with the video and sound people for what you need, and what they need from you.

Sound, Video Team – We need some people to work on a team that organizes the making of slides and getting videos ready, and sets up whatever sound needs there are for the week after coordinating with the Worship Team.

Shepherding Leaders – This is something very new. We are no longer having official D-groups (small groups). Instead we are asking for adults to take an active role in shepherding 2 or 3 teens. For this task, there is no structure unless you want one. What we ask is that you choose 2 or 3 students and are intentionally a part of their lives. Meet together, or one on one, it's all up to you. We just ask that you are a big part of their lives, you know what is going on in their lives, and you have a finger on the spiritual lives of those students. We will have a once a month meeting to then discuss the needs of different students, and how things are going with your meetings with them.

Sunday Night Thing Leaders – Come and hang with our students on Sunday Nights. We play games, have crazy competitions, all with food and some sort short word from the Lord. You can be as involved as you want, from just hanging with kids or helping with food, to leading out during the devotion time. Just make sure to wear something comfy and wear your sneakers!

Sunday Night Thing Planning Team – Help us plan Sunday Nights! There is a theme for the semester that we keep in mind as we plan out the semester's worth of SNT's. You don't even have to be there on Sunday Nights, just come with a creative mind and help us turn some ideas into events.

Trip Sponsors – These people will go on trips with us as we need. We do several trips a year: Believe, Break-out, Kings Island, Purity Retreat, White Water Rafting, etc.

Prayer Team – These people do not necessarily have to interact with Jr. High Students, but they have a heart for them, and thus pray for us and our ministry. We will distribute a weekly or monthly prayer list for you to pray over.





Living Well

Ann Williams at 480-2812 or awilliams@themmd.com

The Living Well series are monthly lectures offered by the FCC Health Ministry. They focus on health related topics to promote lifestyle changes, health counseling, and support. They are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month, from 6:30-7:30. Previous topics have included; Living Wills, Hospice Care, Heel Pain, Bicycle Safety and Time Management.

Media Team

Hall 812-858-5000, ghall@fccn.org

The Media Team Ministry is a vital part of worship services and special events at FCC. We provide sound, video and lighting support in the Worship Center and other areas of the facility.

Our goal is to provide a smooth, distraction-free experience of worship and learning while enhancing the music, drama, teaching and other elements of the service. The Media Team is truly a team, and while we are each focused on our particular tasks, it is the blending of all these functions that helps create a memorable event. The Media Team currently serves during 1-2 Sunday services per month, plus rehearsals on prior Tuesday evenings from 6-8 PM. Volunteer positions include:

Computer operator – Works with Media Shout, our worship presentation software, to bring up the proper graphics at the right time to be shown on the screens. These include song lyrics, sermon points and other miscellaneous graphics. Familiarity with the songs, a good sense of timing and the ability to think ahead is very helpful.

Switcher operator – The video switcher receives all the video sources, such as computer, DVD player and video cameras. The operator chooses which source is shown on the screens as requested by the director. Also is responsible for cueing and playing video clips from DVD and operating the video recorders. Training is provided

Camera operator – Following the cues of the director, is responsible for operating one of the video cameras that are used for projection and recording. Training is provided.

Lighting operator – The lighting console controls the house and stage lighting systems. The operator follows the cue list to change the lighting scenes at the proper time. Training is provided





Sound technician 1 – Is responsible for mixing the front-of-house audio console to provide a proper sound mix of vocals, instruments, computer, video and other sound sources. A good basic knowledge of microphones, gain structure, EQ, and live mixing is necessary.

Sound technician 2 – Assists the sound tech 1 in setting up microphones and monitors on-stage, patching all the signals and troubleshooting. Training is provided.

AV technician – Works in other areas of the facility to start the announcement displays prior to services and assist classes in the Chapel and other classrooms with AV needs. Training Provided





Men's Life

Contact Rick Riley, Pastor of Adult Ministries at 858-5000/riley@fccn.org

Men's Life Breakfast Coordinator – Our breakfast gathering is for men of all ages. Coordinators oversee the scheduling of guest speakers, the cooking/clean-up teams, and promotions. Pre-breakfast planning approximately 5 hours. Breakfasts are served on Saturday mornings between 7-10 AM.

Men's Life Cooks – Join one of our cooking teams providing meals for the Men's Life Breakfast, Fish Fry, and Wild Game Feed. Assist with cooking, serving and clean up. Serve three times per year. Pre-breakfast planning approximately 2 hours. Breakfasts are served on Saturday mornings between 7-10 AM.

Men's Ministry Event Coordinators – Plan and coordinate Men's Life events for First Christian Church:

- Weekend Retreat,
- Boundary Waters fishing trip,
- Bike trips,
- Fish Fry,
- Dancing with the Stars,
- Promise Keepers,
- Wild Game Feed,
- Cowboy Coffee and Donuts,
- Rafting retreat,
- Clay Pigeon Shoot,
- Prison Ministry

Event descriptions available upon request. Leadership skills and experience in team building are necessary in all areas of Men's Life leadership.





Music Ministry

Phill Foust 858-5000 or pfoust@fccn.org

Choir/Orchestra: The choir and orchestra helps lead worship one Sunday a month and produce all the music for our annual Christmas musical. We practice on Sunday evenings from September through May from 6:00-7:30 P.M. We also lead worship on a Sunday morning about 6 times a year. Anyone interested in singing, playing a brass, wind, string or percussion instrument is invited to join our choir and orchestra. There is no audition, and music reading is not required, although developing musical skills is encouraged. Please contact our worship minister, Phill Foust 858-5000 or pfoust@fccn.org).

Vocal Team/Praise Band: These musicians serve on a rotating basis for the Sunday services and the Wednesday Night Connection. We practice on Tuesday nights from 6:00-8:00 P.M. If you sing, play guitar, drums or keyboard, this may be the ministry for you! Members of this group have been through the vocal/instrumental interview process and have demonstrated the ability to model worship in a small ensemble setting. Please contact our worship minister, Phill Foust 858-5000 or pfoust@fccn.org).

Drama: The drama ministry exists to communicate Biblical truths in a contemporary setting through everyday life situations, and is used in weekend worship through sketches, as well as for our Christmas musical. Please contact our drama director, Doris Beard 925-6717 or dorisbeard@aol.com).

Creative Materials: Including set construction, props and costumes, this group designs and creates special visual elements for the Sunday services and the Christmas musical. Volunteer hours are varied and depend on the need and situation. Please contact our creative materials director, Marilyn Rumsey 858-2895 or mmrumsey@sigeconet.net).

Stage Managers: This ministry works behind the scenes making sure that all participants are on stage at the desired time, moving the podium into place, etc. Stage managers serve about once a month and serve during the morning worship services. Please contact our stage manager director, Peter Tullis 842-2263 or dadeo52001@yahoo.com).

Sign Choir: The sign choir communicates worship through sign language set to music. They rehearse several Sunday nights in a row in preparation for a Sunday worship service. Please contact our sign choir director, Kathy Selby 925-7343 or ksselby1970@peoplepc.com).



Noah's Ark

Please contact Suzy Dayvolt 858-5000 or sdayvolt@fccn.org

Noah's Ark is a pre-kindergarten ministry designed to build your child's self-confidence and enthusiasm for learning. We need help cutting out things at various times (This could be done at home and brought in later). We need someone to volunteer to come in at least every other week to clean our toys (The best times for this would be Mondays or Fridays during the day when the children are not here or any evening). We need volunteers to mend our play clothes when needed. We could also use names of people willing to Substitute for us at various times. We are here Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8-3. Half day times are 8:30-11:30 and 12-3.

Nursery Ministry

Please contact Nerissa Foor for more information 812-858-5000, nfoor@fccn.org

The Nursery is a ministry from birth through 2 year olds; and is available during Sunday morning worship services, Sunday evenings (following the school year), and the first Wednesday of each month. On Sunday mornings, the children are presented with a lesson and do various activities that are used to enhance the lesson. Activity Coaches are needed to help the children learn and make the environment fun and exciting (stories & activities). There is nothing better than a child wanting to come to church! Activity Coaches are asked to commit to at least one Sunday every month. Chapel Coaches are in charge of music time and are asked to commit to at least a month at a time.

Sunday evenings reinforce the Sunday morning lesson. This is done through music, games and/or other activities. On Wednesday evenings, we have a small devotional along with music and/or other activity. Each of these volunteers commit to a minimum of one night a month.

All of our volunteers are required to have a Background Check on file. We also offer training at various times throughout the year





Office Administration

Please contact Lynn Drew at 858-5000, ldrew@fccn.org

Volunteer Receptionist - Mature adult volunteer receptionist will man busy reception desk, answer phone, deal with enquiries from the public, in person and by phone. Basic clerical duties, mail, filing, etc . Training provided. Flexible daily serving schedule.

Tear-off Processor – A behind-the-scenes administration opportunity to help organize our weekly tear-off ministries. Prepare tear-offs to be categorized and given to appropriate ministry for response. Training provided. Flexible serving schedule.

Prayer Request Processing – Assist with processing Prayer Requests cards. Requires simple computer processing skills. Training provided. Serve 1-2 hours weekly.

Copying Assistance – Make copies of ministry newsletters and other items necessary for ministry. Training provided. Serve 1-2 hours, 1-2 days per week. Flexible serving schedule.

Open Hands Care Ministry

Contact Rick Riley, Pastor of Adult Ministries at 858-5000/rriley@fccn.org

Open Hands Ministry Coordinator: Work with the Pastor of Adult Ministry to plan, organize, recruit, direct and evaluating the Open Hands ministry to ensure effective ministry. Leadership skills and experience in team building are necessary. Time requirement: Approximately 2 hours weekly.

Home Care Ministry

Individuals may provide daily or emergency needs of life such as transportation, temporary babysitting, home repairs, yard work, light housekeeping, or auto repair. Time requirement: approximately 2 hours per month. Flexible hours and small home repair experience helpful.

Visitation Ministry –

Team members visit someone who is homebound or in a care facility. Individuals, families, and small groups are welcome. Time requirement: approximately 2 hours per month. Must have flexible hours and be a great listener.





Senior High Ministry

Please contact Darin Hansen at 858-5000, dhansen@fccn.org

Discipleship Leader –

(Time availability is at least 1-2 hours a week spent with students, background check required is coming)

The discipleship leader is one who will focus on 1-3 gender specific students in a mentoring relationship. D-Groups will not be held on program nights but instead meeting times will be up to the individual leader and group.

Sunday Morning Needs (available Sunday mornings 10:45am-11:45am)

*Audio video and worship will require time outside of Sunday mornings

a. **Teaching teams**- We use a web based curriculum and we have 4 teams of teachers for each grade. The teams are responsible for the core teaching each week except for December and May.

b. **Audio/ Video** – We need adults to help our student audio/video team create and carry out a quality program for Sunday morning.

c. **Kitchen Help** – Some adults are needed to create and maintain some food and drink ideas for Sunday mornings.

d. **Welcome Team Leader** – we need adults to help students form a welcome team on Sunday morning – we need some ideas and follow through with how to make this a thriving ministry

Sunday Night Needs (available Sunday evenings – details below)

Open gym – 4:00pm-5:30pm

Kitchen Help – 5:15pm-6:15pm

a. **Kitchen help** – we will be providing food every Sunday night and we need some help with its preparation and serving, we are planning on supper type foods with maybe even a concessions feel

b. **Open Gym help** – We will also be providing an open gym every Sunday evening before our bible studies. The Open Gym help will provide opening and preparation of the gym, helping out with organized games such as a 3 on 3 or dodge ball tourneys, big group games, etc.

Miscellaneous Needs (all times of availability differ with each misc. job)

*If you are interested in any of these special areas, please contact the youth dept. and we can give you more specifics on time needed, etc.

a. **Room coordinators**– we need adults to help us keep our room up to snuff. There are various jobs within this such as





carpentry work, room organization, equipment installation, keeping maintenance on our gaming equipment, etc.

b. **Publicity** – we need some people capable of different things like graphic designing, day time help with office work such as mailings, etc.

c. **Prayer team** – we will send out specific prayer needs concerning our students if you will pray for them

d. **Mission Trip Coordinators** – interested in mission trips? We could use some adults to help us plan, organize and pull of some student mission trips. Domestic and Foreign will be planned.

e. **Chaperoning** – we need adults to help chaperone occasional trips

f. **Trip coordinator** – someone to organize our trips by making all necessary arrangements such as hotel, tickets, etc.

g. **Cookies and more team** – we need people to provide snacks occasionally

h. **Birthday coordinator** – we need adults to help keep track of birthdays of students and send cards or other creative ideas

i. **Data entry** – we need adults to help with our massive database program called N-Spire – it needs to be cleaned out, updated and maintained

j. **Recreation league organizer** – we have the potential to have recreation leagues such as basketball, soccer, etc. if there is anyone interested in coordinating such a league

k. **Follow up team leader** – we need someone to organize core students to help them visit new students and take them a welcome packet





SONkids:

Please contact Penny Kaluza at 858-5000, pkaluza@fccn.org

SONkids is a ministry for all 3 year olds – Kindergarten. We offer programming during both Sunday morning services, as well as Wednesday nights once a month and Sunday nights during the school year.

Sunday mornings we need Activity Coaches that help with games and crafts in the rooms. The Activity Coaches serve on a one month rotation.

Sunday morning we also need of Guest Check-In/Out Greeters. These Greeters are there before and after service to help guests check their children in and out. The Greeters serve on a month rotation.

Sunday nights we have Team Leaders who are in charge but need an extra set of hands in the room with them. Sunday night helpers serve whatever works best with their schedules.

Wednesday night the SONkids do service projects, and again we need extra sets of hands to help us as we work on our projects. Wednesday nights meet once a month and we need 1-2 helpers a night.





Special Needs Ministry

Contact Heather Groves, 858-5000 or SNeeds@fccn.org

The Special Needs Ministry is to provide a safe and Christ-centered environment for children ages 3 years to 6th grade. We provide an exclusive classroom for children who are unable to attend typical classrooms, but a buddy is also available to assist a special needs child in the typical classroom if needed. Both of these opportunities are available on Sunday mornings during Worship. A Medical Response Team Member is always available during any special needs event and Sunday mornings, in case a medical emergency arises.

Special Moms - Special Kids is a support group for moms who have a special needs child. It is a Christian-based group that offers guest speakers and educational information. The group meets the 2nd Monday of every month. *Contact: Susan Simmons at 925-6771.*

Disability Awareness Event(s) are events sponsored each year by the Special Needs Ministry with assistance from sponsors within the church congregation to reach out to the community to offer events to families with special needs that provides hope and encouragement.

Vacation Bible School for special needs children is also offered alongside our typical VBS programming. We offer an exclusive program for Special Needs children in our classroom, but also pair children with buddies in the typical VBS programming if desired.

Medical Response Team – is a team that is available during all special needs events in case of an emergency; you must be a nurse, medic, EMT or physician.

Prayer Team - the team receives e-mails as needed to pray for any issues and health problems that arise with our special needs children and their families.

Cooking Team - when a special needs family needs meals, volunteers prepare a meal for the family and deliver it. Service opportunities are available for all areas of special needs. Teachers and buddies are needed for Sunday mornings. Volunteers are needed for: Special Moms – Special Kids, our Disability Awareness Event(s), VBS and our Medical Response Team. Time commitment is up to you. For our Sunday morning classes, it is recommended that the teacher teaches for the entire month to ensure consistency. At all other events, the number of volunteers are based on the number of children that attend. There is a 2 hour video that acquaints you with the Special Needs Ministry, which is required for volunteering. A criminal background check is completed on any volunteer 18 years of age and older. No experience is necessary to serve in the Special Needs Ministry. To volunteer in the Special Needs Ministry, you must be a freshman in high school.

Mission Statement: The Special Needs Ministry of FCCN is to teach all God's children about Christ, regardless of disability, and to minister to their families in the way that Christ showed His love for all people.





Women's Ministries

Contact Holly Gillespie, Director of Women's Ministries at 858-5000 or hgillespie@fccn.org

Mission Statement:

The Women's Ministry of First Christian Church of Newburgh is to promote a growing relationship with Jesus Christ for women through Bible Study, Fellowship and Christian Service.

Greeters – Women are needed who are willing to serve as greeters for different ministries such as Bible studies, Spring Conference, Ladies Teas, and the like.

Administrative Help –

1. Throughout the year there we mail postcards or flyers to women. We need women who are willing to help prepare the mailing by labeling.
2. Other help is needed throughout the year to design and prepare nametags for events and bible studies.

Cooking or Baking –

1. FOOD FROM THE HEART is a network of teams who put together meals for families of FCC in times of need. People are needed to help make frozen meals and others for delivery of the meals.
2. Throughout the year we need help from women with baking sweet treats, appetizers and the like for various ministry events.

Special Events - Women are needed to assist in all areas of special events such as Spring Conference and Fall Auction.

1. Planning
2. Set up
3. Tear Down
4. Promotion

Prayer Team – Our prayer team faithfully prays that God can use Women's Ministries to reach, grow and transform women at FCC and in the community. This prayer team prays for women in ministry positions in the church.

Christmas Love Stockings – This annual program provides families in the community with Christmas gifts and a Bible. People are needed to help with administrative tasks and delivering the gifts to Warrick County Elementary Schools.





Spiritual Gift Reference Chart

| Spiritual Gift | Definition | Scriptural References | Distinctives People with this gift will... | Traits | Potential Ministry Involvement |
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| Administration | The gift of Administration is the God-given ability to understand what makes an organization function, and the special ability to plan and execute procedures that accomplish the goals of the ministry. | 1 Cor. 12: 28, Acts 6: 1-7; Ex. 18: 13-26 | -Develop strategies or plans to reach identified goals. -Organize people, tasks, or events. -Assist ministries to become more effective and efficient. | -Thorough -Objective -Responsible -Organized -Goal-oriented -Efficient -Conscientious | Planning teams; Ministry Coordinator; Organizer of special events; Chairperson |
| Discernment | The gift of Discernment is the God-given ability to distinguish between truth and error. It is able to discern the difference between good and evil; right and wrong. | 1 Cor. 12: 10; Acts 5: 1-4; Rom. 9:1 | -Identify deception in others with accuracy and appropriateness. -Are able to sense the presence of evil. -Recognize inconsistencies in a teaching or message. | -Perceptive -Insightful -Sensitive -Intuitive -Truthful -Decisive | Committee/Board member; youth ministry; counseling |
| Encouragement | The gift of Encouragement is the God-given ability to present words of comfort, consolation, and encouragement, so to strengthen, or urge to action, those who are discouraged or wavering in their faith. | Rom. 12: 8, Acts 11: 22-24, Acts 15: 30-32 | -Comfort others to trust and hope in the promises of God. -Motivate others to grow. -Urge others to action by applying biblical truth. | -Positive -Motivating -Affirming -Reassuring -Supportive -Trustworthy | Children's Ministry; Visitation to sick or shut-in; Counseling; Greeter; Support Group Facilitator, Prayer ministry |
| Evangelism | The gift of Evangelism is the God-given ability to effectively communicate the gospel to unbelievers so they respond in faith and move toward discipleship. | Eph. 4: 11, Acts 8: 5-6, Acts 14: 21 | -Communicate the message of Christ with clarity and conviction. -Seek out opportunities to talk to unbelievers about spiritual matters. -Challenge unbelievers to faith in Christ. | -Sincere -Candid -Influential -Confident -Commitment-oriented | Visitor Calling; Door-to Door visitation; Outreach events; Literature distribution; Greeter |





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| Faith | The gift of Faith is the God-given ability to act on God's promises with confidence and unwavering belief in God's ability to fulfill His purposes. | 1 Cor. 12: 9, 1 Cor. 13: 2, Rom. 4: 19-21 | -Act in complete confidence of God's ability to overcome obstacles. -Advance the cause of Christ because they go forward when others will not. -Ask God for what is needed and trust Him for His provision. | -Prayerful -Optimistic -Trusting -Assured -Inspiring -Hopeful -Positive | Prayer ministry; Hospital visitation; Committee/Board member |
| Giving | The gift of Giving is the God-given ability to contribute money and resources to the work of the Lord with cheerfulness and liberality. | Rom 12: 8, 2 Cor 6: 8, Luke 21: 1-4 | -Manage their finances and limit their lifestyle in order to give as much of their resources as possible. -Met tangible needs that enable spiritual growth to occur. -Support the work of ministry with sacrificial gifts to advance the Kingdom. | -Responsible -Stewardship-oriented -Resourceful -Charitable -Disciplined | Support Missionaries; Fund Raising; Stewardship Board |
| Helps | The gift of Helps is the God-given ability to accomplish practical and necessary, behind the scenes tasks, which free up, support, and meet the needs of others. | 1 Cor. 12: 28, Rom 12: 7, Acts 9: 36, Rom. 16: 1-2 | -Serve behind the scenes wherever needed. -See the tangible and practical things to be done and enjoy doing them. -Attach spiritual value to practical service. | -Available -Willing -Reliable -Loyal -Dependable -Whatever-it-takes attitude | Office helper; Telephoning; Teacher's aid; Usher; Clean-up projects; Information Center Host |
| Hospitality | The gift of Hospitality is the God-given ability to care for people by providing fellowship, food, and lodging. | 1 Peter 4: 9-10, Rom. 12: 13, Luke 10: 38 | -Provide an environment where people feel valued and cared for. -Seek ways to connect people together into meaningful relationships. -Set people at ease in unfamiliar surroundings. | -Friendly -Gracious -Inviting -Trusting -Caring -Responsive -Warm | Small Group Host; Banquet server; New Member Sponsor; Fellowship events; Coffee hour host; Greeter; Easter Breakfast |





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| Intercession | The gift of Intercession is the God-given ability to consistently pray on behalf of and for others, seeing frequent specific results. | Rom. 8: 26-27; Col. 1: 9-12; Col. 4: 12-13; | -Feel compelled to earnestly pray on behalf of someone or some cause. -Have a daily awareness of the spiritual battles being waged and commit to pray. -Pray in response to the leading of the Spirit, whether they understand it or not. | -Advocate -Sincere -Trustworthy -Burden-bearer -Spiritually sensitive | Prayer Partner; Moms In Touch; Prayer Groups; Shut-in/Hospital visitation |
| Knowledge | The gift of Knowledge is the God-given ability to learn, analyze, and uncover new insights from the Bible that are pertinent to the growth and well being of the church. | 1 Cor. 12: 8; 1 Cor. 14:6; 2 Cor. 11:6 | -Research the scriptures for insight, understanding, and truth. -Organize information for teaching and practical use. -Gain knowledge that was not attained by natural observation or means. | -Inquisitive -Responsive -Observant -Insightful -Reflective -Studious -Truthful | Board/Committee member; Teaching; Research; Counseling; Marriage Enrichment |
| Leadership | The gift of Leadership is the God-given ability to cast vision, motivate, and direct people to harmoniously accomplish the purpose of God. | Rom 12: 8; 1 Tim. 5: 17; Heb. 13: 17 | -Motivate others to perform to the best of their abilities. -Take responsibility and establish goals. -Provide direction for God's people or ministry. | -Influential -Visionary -Persuasive -Motivating -Goal-setter | Small Group Leader; Board/Committee Chairperson; Teaching Leader; Youth/Children's Leader |
| Mercy | The gift of Mercy is the God-given ability to feel deeply for those in physical, spiritual, or emotional need and then act to meet that need. | Rom. 12: 8; Mark 9: 41; Matt. 25: 34-40 | -Focuses on alleviating the sources of pain or discomfort in suffering people. -Concern themselves with individual or social issues that oppress people. -Address the needs of the lonely and forgotten. | -Empathetic -Caring -Responsive -Kind -Compassionate -Sensitive -Burden-bearing | Hospital/Shut-In visitation; Nursery worker; Homeless ministry; Food pantry worker; |





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| Prophecy | The gift of Prophecy is the God-given ability to reveal God's truth and proclaim it in a timely and relevant manner for understanding, correction, repentance, or edification. | Rom 12: 6; 1 Cor 12: 10,28; 1 Cor 13: 2 | -See a truth that others often fail to see and challenge them to respond. -Understand God's heart and mind through experiences He takes them through. -Expose sin or deception in others for the purpose of reconciliation. | -Discerning -Compelling -Uncompromising -Outspoken -Authoritative -Confronting -Convicting | Teaching Leader; Vision Setting team; Outreach; Devotion Leader |
| Shepherding | The gift of Shepherding is the God-given ability to assume long term personal responsibility for the spiritual welfare of a group of believers by nurturing and guiding them toward on-going spiritual maturity. | Eph. 4: 11-12; 1 Peter 5: 1-4; 1 Tim. 3: 1-13 | -Provide guidance and oversight to a group of God's people. -Establish trust and confidence through long-term relationships. -Lead and protect those within their span of care. | --Nurturing -Guiding -Protective -Supportive -Relational -Influencing | Small Group Leader; Sunday School teacher; Follow-up on visitors; Shut-In Visitation; College ministry; Outreach |
| Teaching | The gift of Teaching is the God-given ability to understand, clearly explain, and apply the word of God, in such a way that it is clearly understood by others. | Rom 12: 7; 1 Cor. 12: 28-29; Acts 18: 24-28 | -Give attention to detail and accuracy. -Prepare through extended times of study and reflection. -Challenge listeners simply and practically with the truths of Scripture. | -Disciplined -Perceptive -Teachable -Authoritative -Practical -Analytical -Articulate | Adult Teaching Leader; Small Group Leader; Youth/Children's Teacher; Education Committee |
| Wisdom | The gift of Wisdom is the God-given ability to apply spiritual truth effectively to meet a need in a specific situation. | 1 Cor. 12: 8; James 3: 13-18; 1 Cor. 2: 3-5 | -Focus on the unseen consequences in determining the next steps to take. -Provide God-given solutions in the midst of conflict and confusion. Apply spiritual truth in specific and practical ways. | -Sensible -Insightful -Practical -Wise -Fair -Experienced | Board/Committee Member; Counseling; Mentor; Marriage enrichment; Counseling |

