



Gods work, our hands: BE FULLY ALIVE IN CHRIST!

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)

Whether you have a little time or a lot, volunteering at FPCW is fun, easy and rewarding. Join one of our standing committees or give your time to a mission partner or seasonal event. Not sure when you're available, but want to help? We have plenty of "as needed" opportunities as well.

STANDING COMMITTEES: SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!

MISSION

Would you like to make a difference in someone else's life?

- ? Works to build mission partnerships with organizations that allow our members to be actively engaged in mission relationships and projects that positively impact the lives of others.

🕒 4th Monday night at 7pm.

✉ Jenni Holt, jenni_holt@yahoo.com

MEMBERSHIP

Would you enjoy being the welcoming face, the first impression, and the helping hand offered to visitors and prospective church members?

- ? Works to welcome visitors and prospective members by reaching out to visitors, hosting classes for prospective members, integrating new members into our common life and encouraging ongoing engagement of members.

🕒 Sunday after worship, every other month.

✉ Rick Baer, rickbaer2112@gmail.com

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Are you engaged in your own faith journey and would you like to see that others have opportunities for growing in their faith?

- ? Identify and develop learning opportunities for adults to deepen their Christian faith.

🕒 1st Tuesday at 7:30pm.

✉ Irlis Boaz, iboaz@ameritech.net

YOUTH & FAMILY

Do you love teenagers and would you like making a positive impact on their lives?

- ? Plans and facilitates opportunities for our youth: 5th & 6th grade (Club56), junior high Communion and high school (Tower). Activities include worship, Christian education, mission, fellowship and Tower mission trips.

🕒 As required.

✉ Bob Bobesink, bobbobesink@gmail.com

CHILDREN & FAMILY

Do you love young children and would you enjoy the creative process of teaching and engaging children in learning about Jesus?

- ? Works with the staff in planning and implementing the Sunday morning Christian education program, Vacation Bible School, Christmas pageant, and various other offerings to engage our children as disciples of Jesus Christ (birth through 4th grade).

🕒 One weeknight, every other month.

✉ Tammy Walker, tamara.w@me.com

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Do you embrace our Mission, and would you like to play a part in the big picture strategizing and planning to make it happen?

- ? Works to ensure our congregation has a comprehensive and playful approach to carrying out our stated mission and vision as a congregation.

🕒 1st Tuesday night of each month.

✉ Jim Lyman, jlyman911@gmail.com

COMMUNICATIONS

Would you like to support congregational communications by using your creative skills in writing, technology, and marketing?

- ? Works with staff to enhance our life together by managing and improving all written and visual communications for our dynamic congregation, including the website, church app, eNews and Common Life.

🕒 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10:30am.

✉ Betsy Crosswhite, thecrosswhites@yahoo.com

WORSHIP, MUSIC & THE ARTS

Do you see worship as the center of who we are as a church and would you like to think and work in dynamic ways to enhance our worship life?

- ? Responsible for providing ushers, liturgists, communion service, liturgical adornment of the worship space and developing special worship services as needed.

🕒 Following worship, every other month.

✉ Bill Bishop, wdb1500@gmail.com

FELLOWSHIP

Do you embrace the importance of relationships in all church activities and would you enjoy planning, hosting and feeding others?

- ? Plans and hosts a variety of informal get togethers as well as all-church fellowship events like the Chili Cook off and Oktoberfest.

🕒 As needed.

✉ Stephanie Phelan, sphelan@speedpro.com

GIVING

Are you excited about what our church is now and would you like to inspire others to dream big for what our church can be?

- ? Engages the congregation in the annual Stewardship Campaign, and develops and coordinates with other capital or endowment fund-raising as discerned and needed.

🕒 Meets regularly in the fall as needed.

✉ Chris Dekker, chris.f.dekker@gmail.com

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

STOCK THE SHELVES

Do you enjoy engaging with people from many cultures and would you help refugee families with household essentials?

- ? Provides what food stamps won't by giving Chicago area refugees and their families the items they need to lead thriving lives.
- 🕒 Team meets 2nd Wednesday at 10:30am. Every 4th Tuesday evening pack the truck, 4th Wednesday distribution at 8am in Rogers Park.
- ✉ Pastor Erin, revraska@fpcw.org



FAMILY MATTERS

Do you see education as a key to social change and would you enjoy tutoring young people?

- ? Support Family Matters, an organization that focuses on youth to facilitate positive social change in the North of Howard community.
- 🕒 Through FPCW, sign up to tutor a student one day/week (all grades, all subjects).
- ✉ Greg Korak, greg.korak@gmail.com



C24/7

Do you feel that improving the everyday experience of all children is critical to their overall development?

- ? Support C24/7, an after-school program in the Rogers Park neighborhood.
- 🕒 After-school while school is in session.
- ✉ Bob Bobesink, bobbobesink@gmail.com



CONNECTIONS FOR THE HOMELESS

Do you like to feed the hungry in a very tangible way?

- ? Makes sandwiches to be distributed to the homeless population in Evanston.
- 🕒 2nd Sunday of month after worship.
- ✉ Mary Watt, mhw1117@gmail.com



HILDA'S PLACE

Would you love to cook and prepare meals for a small group of homeless people in an Evanston church shelter?

- ? Prepare meals at home or in the church kitchen, serving the food and eating with the people. This is a wonderful opportunity for families or other small groups!
- 🕒 September 30, December 30, March 30, 2020 and June 29, 2020.
- ✉ Mary Watt, mhw1117@gmail.com

IMMIGRATION TASK FORCE

Would you like to make a difference in the lives of migrant families, both locally and at the border?

- ? This is a newly formed group responding to the needs of the crisis at the border, working locally with migrants housed here and with other faith communities with similar goals.
- 🕒 TBD
- ✉ Pastor Erin, revraska@fpcw.org



MALAWI TEAM

Are you fascinated by life in Africa and want to learn more about and support our Christian brothers and sisters?

- ? Our goal in Malawi is to be present to what God is doing at FPCW and in Katawa, so as to broaden our understanding of who God is and how God is at work in the world. Through FPCW, you can help build our partnership with the Katawa congregation through prayer, regular Skype communication, be in relationship and provide support for the widows' group, men's group or youth as they seek economic sustainable ventures to support their ministries and their care of the most vulnerable among them. We also plan visits to Malawi, and hosting a group here from there.



- 🕒 Varies
- ✉ Pastor Erin, revraska@fpcw.org

FAMILY PROMISE

Do you enjoy relationship building, making a meal, or spending the night at FPCW?

- ? Support Family Promise's mission to help homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence.
- 🕒 Week of September 8, 2019.
- ✉ Rick Drake, richarddrake@comcast.net

GIVING TREE

Are you willing to buy Christmas gifts or organize the gift collection for people in need at some of our mission partners?

- 🕒 As needed, mid November - mid December 2019.
- ✉ Mary Watt, mhw1117@gmail.com

SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

WOMEN'S OR MEN'S RETREAT

Do you believe that "growing disciples" should involve special opportunities for time away to share education and fellowship while growing together in faith?

- ? Plan and organize the women's and/or men's retreats.
- 🕒 January (Women) and February (Men)
- ✉ Pastor Jeff, jlehn@fpcw.org or Pastor Erin, revraska@fpcw.org

SOUP SUPPERS / WASSAIL PARTY

Would you like to be a part of enhancing our special worship services with food and drinks?

- 🕒 Advent 12/8/19, Ash Wednesday 2/26/20, Maundy Thursday 4/9/20.
- ✉ Stephanie Phelan, sphelan@speedpro.com

EASTER DECORATING

Would you like to organize our beautiful Easter flowers in the sanctuary?

- 🕒 Week after Palm Sunday.
- ✉ Linda Malstrom, lindamalstrom@gmail.com



ADVENT DECORATING

Would you like to help decorate the church for the Advent/Christmas Season?

- 🕒 Saturday, December 7
- ✉ Peggy Massello, pmassello@fpcw.org

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

MEMORIAL SERVICE HOSTING

Would you like to help set up and host Memorial service receptions (coffee & treats).

- 🕒 As needed, but most often on weekdays or Saturdays.
- ✉️ Mary Acri, mary-bob@sbcglobal.net

CONFIRMATION MENTOR

Would you like to walk alongside a Confirmation student as they near the end of their 2 year program?

- 🕒 April through May 2020.
- ✉️ Pastor Erin, revraska@fpcw.org

OFFICE VOLUNTEER

Would you like to help in the church office by answering phones and performing other simple office tasks?

- 🕒 Varies
- ✉️ Madeline Weston, office@fpcw.org

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING

Would you like to support our after-worship Fellowship Hour by providing treats and related setup and clean up?

- 🕒 Sundays
- ✉️ Fran Langewisch, franlangewisch@gmail.com



MEALS TEAM

Would you like to make (or buy) a meal for someone who has had a new baby or is returning home after a hospitalization?

- 🕒 Varies, as needed.
- ✉️ Sharon Panzica, sharonpanzica@icloud.com

SUNDAY GREETER

Would you like to welcome everyone who enters our doors on a Sunday morning with a smile and a handshake?

- 🕒 Sundays
- ✉️ Sue Sklansky, ssklansky@fpcw.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL/CLUB56

Would you like to co-teach a Sunday School class (preschool-6th grade) for a quarter (or more!)?

- 🕒 Sundays, quarterly.
- ✉️ Lindley Traynor (through 4th grade), ltraynor@fpcw.org
Pastor Erin (for Club56), revraska@fpcw.org

TOWER HELPER/LEADERS

Do you have the time and energy to build relationships with some pretty amazing teens?

- 🕒 Generally Sundays but can vary.
- ✉️ Pastor Erin (for Club56), revraska@fpcw.org

GARDENER

Would you like to beautify the gardens around the church by planting annuals?

- 🕒 Early summer.
- ✉️ Joyce Knauff, joyce@jckassociates.com

USHER TEAM

Would you like to welcome worshippers and otherwise facilitate our services?

- ❓ The usher teams help our worship services run smoothly by preparing the sanctuary, welcoming the congregation, collecting the offering and functioning as the "security team".
- 🕒 Sunday mornings and some weekdays as needed.
- ✉️ Kevin McJoynt, kevin.mcjoynt@gmail.com

MUSICIAN

Do you have musical talents that you would like to develop and share to enhance our worship services?

- 🕒 Varies
- ✉️ Peggy Massello, pmassello@fpcw.org



PRAYER SHAWLS

Would you like to knit or crochet a simple shawl as a gift for someone in need?

- 🕒 Varies
- ✉️ Sue Sklansky, ssklansky@fpcw.org

LITURGIST

Would you like to help lead us in worship by reading Bible passages and prayers from the pulpit?

- 🕒 Sundays
- ✉️ Guyneth Sharp, sharp5@sbcglobal.net

COMMUNION TABLE PREPARATION

Would you like to facilitate our Communion services by preparing the elements of Communion?

- ❓ Each Communion team will volunteer on a quarterly basis to prepare elements of Communion on the 1st Sunday of each month.
- 🕒 1st Sundays
- ✉️ Steve Reinhart, steve.reinhart@gmail.com

HANDY MAN

Are you handy with a hammer, screwdriver and paintbrush?

- ❓ Handyman volunteers would help with small repairs and painting around the church.
- 🕒 Varies
- ✉️ Jeff Miller, jmiller@archideas.com



"Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."
- Martin Luther King, Jr.



F P C W V O L U N T E E R S I G N U P F O R M

PLEASE CHECK THE AREAS THAT INTEREST YOU

See descriptions of the committees and opportunities in the previous pages of this packet.



Your Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Standing Committees

- Mission
- Membership
- Adult Faith Formation
- Youth & Family
(5th-High School)
- Children & Family
(Birth-4th Grade)
- Strategic Planning
- Communications
- Worship, Music & the Arts
- Fellowship
- Giving

Mission Opportunities

- Stock the Shelves
- Family Matters
- C24/7
- Connections for the Homeless
- Hilda's Place
- Immigration Task Force
- Malawi Team
- Family Promise
- Giving Tree

Seasonal Opportunities

- Women's or Men's Retreat
- Soup Suppers / Wassail Party
- Advent Decorating
- Easter Decorating

Other Opportunities

- Office Volunteer
- Fellowship Hour Hosting
- Meals Team
- Sunday Greeter
- Sunday School / Club56
- Tower Helper / Leader
- Gardener
- Usher Team
- Musician
- Prayer Shawls
- Liturgist
- Communion Table Preparation
- Handyman
- Memorial Service Hosting
- Confirmation Mentors