Being Christ's hands, feet and voice

to and for all persons

Ministries Sunday, May 18, 2025

THERE is a tradition of giving our time and talent, as we are called to do, at Christ Church Cathedral. As we celebrate the time and talents we can share with others, here follows the roster of ministries presenting today. Won't you consider joining one or more? We have fulfilling, people-focused and fun volunteer opportunities to suit your passions and schedules:

- Altar Guild: Assists clergy by preparing all things necessary (i.e., linens, vessels, communion elements) for celebration of the Eucharist and other services.
 Contact: Ward Buckner
- **Bereavement**: Hosts fellowship for immediate family members and other bereaved persons before burial or memorial services. Contact: Liz Watkins
- **Blessing Box:** Provides non-perishable/easy-to-access food items, bottled water, plastic utensils, toiletries and seasonal clothing. Restocks donated Blessing Box items in cabinet attached to building and/or donates goods.

Contacts: Patricia Altemueller and John Emery

- Blessing of the Animals: Celebrates Feast of St. Francis, patron saint of animals, on first Sunday of October. Pets and humans attend joy-filled service that also remembers beloved pets passed.
 Contact: Laura Rose
- Coffee Hour: Hosts congregation members who attended the 10:30

 a.m. Sunday service. Serves coffee and snacks, and members/groups
 can sign up to host an hour.
 Contact: Nancy Kuehnl

- Communications: Developing and implementing communications strategies to promote Cathedral services, events and programs to internal and external audiences.
 Contacts: Ed Mehler and Martha Tillman
- **Episcopal City Mission:** Provides support to chaplains for youth in detention centers. Cathedral members host birthday parties for the youth every January and April, as part of this diocesan ministry. Contact: Claudine Allen
- **Fellowship**: Hosts special coffee hours, in partnership with Cathedral groups, for such occasions as Greening of the Cathedral and Black History Month.

Contacts: Jane Mayfield and Kurt Joice

- Flower Ministry: Oversees beautification for Christmas and Easter which allows folks to donate and name persons in memory, thanksgiving and honor. Contact: Jane Mayfield
- **Garden Group**: Makes Cathedral landscaping aesthetically pleasing, practical and efficient in an urban environment. Organizes activities for Creation Care Sunday. Contact Annette Carr
- **Gun Violence Prevention:** Works with Diocesan Gun Violence Prevention Task Force to advocate for changes in local and state gun laws and offers opportunities for formation and education on its impact on communities.

Contacts: Lore Gross and Diane Chalberg

• JustFood Truck: Brings free food to high-poverty areas in the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri. On the first, third and fifth Saturdays of each month, the JustFood Truck is at CCC where hot or cold sandwiches, water, coffee, community and prayer are offered. Contacts: Deacon Barbi Click, Deacon Justin Martin, Lore Gross

- Liturgical Assistants: Assist in processions by carrying processional crosses, torches, flags, banners, streamers and other items. They function as acolytes, crucifers, vergers and eucharistic ministers and may be called on to hold the extra bread and wine. Contact: Laura Rose
- **Outreach:** Suggest a ministry in the community that the Cathedral could support with a financial donation. Contacts: Patricia Cleary and Lorraine Kee
- Planned Giving: Join discussion of new Cathedral Legacy Giving Fellowship to support/celebrate Cathedral life from generation to generation.
 Contacts Mary Randlett and Howie Hirshfield
- PrideSTL/PrideFest: Participate in interfaith LGBTQIA+ events in the community.
 Contact: Laura Rose
- **Pursuing Racial Justice:** Lives out Baptismal Covenant by striving for justice and peace among all and respecting human dignity. Events include Reparations/reconciliation project and Black History Month. Contacts Alice Stanley and Rob Good
- St. Martha's Guild: Arranges for reception of refreshments after Sunday Evensong. Contact: Patricia Rohan
- St. Stephen's Clay Cafe: Prepare, serve and connect two times a year (spring and fall) at community meals hosted at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ferguson Contact: Nancy Kuehnl
- **Tour Guides:** Provides guided historical tours of the buildings, furnishings and people that make up our past and present. Contact: Annette Carr

• **Ushers:** Being an usher is a ministry of hospitality and service as they greet people arriving at the Cathedral for services and guide visitors and newcomers.

Contact: Alice Stanley

- Wedding Guild: Helps facilitate all weddings that take place here. This facilitation includes initial meeting(s) with the wedding party, the wedding rehearsal, the wedding ceremony and post-ceremony photos. Contact: Patricia Rohan
- Winter Outreach: Provides a warm and safe overnight shelter for up to 10 individuals who need a safe place to sleep. We have participated for several years in a partnership with St. Louis Winter Outreach group. Contact: Rob Good

Want to volunteer? Questions? Contact us to join or learn more:

- 1. Fill out a postcard today and turn it in to Jane, Lorraine or Kurt. We will connect you with the ministry leader.
- 2. Go to: <u>https://www.christchurchcathedral.us</u> and click on the Ministries tab at the top. Send an email under the ministry of interest to you and we will get back to you.
- 3. Call the Cathedral office at 314.255.1641 and express interest,
- 4. Reach out here to individual ministry leaders, conveners, chairs on Sundays or just ask Jane or Lorraine.

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