

# What Does the Lord Require of You?

## *Ministry and Service Opportunities at Northminster for 2019*

Each of us is blessed with unique talents, skills, passions, knowledge and abilities. In addition to your prayerful pledge of financial resources, we ask each member of the Northminster Family to find at least two places to connect and serve: (1) a committee, team or ministry that feeds your heart and soul; and (2) a committee, team or ministry that allows you to give of yourself and your talents, abilities and/or expertise.

Also, please let us know about a ministry, program or non-profit outside of Northminster where you are serving/volunteering!

Please review these opportunities and prayerfully consider how you can use your God-given time and talents to further the wondrous things God is accomplishing through Northminster. We would appreciate each family member completing a separate form. Extra one-page commitment forms for the entire family are in the Narthex through the end of the year.

### **Committee Membership**

Our committees are involved in strategic planning, budget oversight, volunteer coordination and, in many cases, actively leading the ministries for which they are responsible. Being a committee member involves quarterly or monthly meetings and being attentive to regular electronic communication and member-agreed responsibilities.

### **Worship, Music and the Arts** (Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

Worship, Music and the Arts collaborates with the pastors and musical staff to enhance the faith lives of members and visitors through worship services, concerts and recitals, and encounters with other performing and visual arts.

### **Christian Education** (Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday)

The Christian Education Committee is responsible for oversight of the programs of faith education and discipleship development of children, youth and adults at Northminster.

### **Fellowship** (Meets as needed)

The Fellowship Committee oversees the many events, meals and other ways the

Northminster Family comes together to create and deepen community through table fellowship and congregational celebrations. They also have oversight responsibilities for the kitchen and ongoing plans for upgrades and renovation.

### **Building and Grounds** (Meeting schedule varies)

The Building and Grounds Committee is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of and strategic planning regarding our physical plant including its operational systems and physical structures.

### **Finance** (Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)

The Finance Committee oversees the annual budget process and provides oversight of all financial matters throughout the year.

### **Stewardship** (Meets as needed)

The Stewardship Committee oversees the annual Stewardship campaign and other fundraising campaigns of the church.

### **Personnel** (Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday)

The Personnel Committee works with the Head of Staff to oversee all personnel and employment matters of the church and nursery school, including annual reviews, benefits issues, salary recommendations and all employee search processes.

### **Membership** (Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday morning)

The Membership Committee welcomes and shepherds new members into full participation in the life of Northminster and helps enrich and deepen membership engagement for the entire congregation.

### **Endowment** (Meets quarterly)

The Endowment Committee has responsibility for the management of all investment accounts of Northminster that help support the mission and ministries of the church. They also assist members in including the church in their estate planning.

### **Mission and Social Justice** (Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)

The Mission and Social Justice Committee oversees financial and personal engagement of Northminster and its members in ministries of care, peace, justice, reconciliation, equality, and social transformation.

### **Nominating Committee** (Meets as needed)

The Nominating Committee is elected by the congregation and is responsible for the

discernment and call process whereby members are called and elected into service on the Board of Deacons, the Session and its own committee.

### **Communications Committee** (Meets as needed)

Our newest committee, Communications, oversees all internal communications, social media, and recordings of services.

## **Ministry Teams and Service Opportunities**

Maybe serving on a committee isn't your calling. You can help one time, weekly, monthly or annually in a number of ways. We need folks to do all of these things for our ministries to run smoothly and efficiently. Please consider committing to one or more of these activities/ministries. *Those in italics are where we have particular need.*

### **@ Northminster**

Volunteer in the Office Weekly  
Count the Offering  
Advise/Assist with Contractors  
Do Stewardship Campaign Follow-up

Volunteer in the Office On-call  
Be a Clean-up Days Volunteer  
Offer On-call Assistance on Projects  
Assist with Time/Talent Commitment Data

### **@ Worship and the Arts**

Sing in Chancel Choir  
Play Youth Bells  
Be a Children's Choir Assistant  
Be a Sunday Liturgist  
Help Prepare Communion  
Help Plan Advent Thursday Worship  
Be an Usher or Greeter  
Play an Instrument in Worship

Play in the Adult Bell Choir  
Be a Youth Bells Assistant  
Help Create Liturgical Art  
Perform Liturgical Dance  
Help Plan Lenten Thursday Worship  
Be a Church Wedding Coordinator  
Be an Acolyte  
Assist with Worship Video Recording/Editing

### **@ Mission and Outreach**

Serve as Liaison to Mission Partners  
Participate in Interfaith Social Witness  
Be a Family Promise Overnight Host  
Be a Family Promise Meal Team Leader  
Cook or Serve Soup for Soup at Six  
Help with 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Lunch Preparation  
and/or Serving at Church House

Walk in Chicago Pride Parade  
Volunteer for Local Emergencies<sup>[SEP]</sup>  
Be a Family Promise Activity Host  
Welcome Family Promise Guests  
Be a Family Promise Set-up/Tear-down  
Helper  
Cook or Serve for The Night Ministry

### **Forming Our Faith**

Lead or Co-lead a Book Group  
Teach Children Summer Sundays

Teach Children's or Youth Sunday School  
Mentor a Confirmand

Help Plan Adult Education  
Volunteer to Chaperone a Youth Event  
Volunteer in the Library

Be on the Youth Advisory Team  
Present an Adult Education Class  
Be an On-call Nursery Volunteer

**Helping Each Other and Being Together**

Help with Website/Blog/Facebook Page  
Help Mentor New Members  
Drive a Member to/from Church  
Host Church-wide Social Function/Dinner  
Be a Commissioner to Presbytery Meetings  
Serve on a Presbytery, Synod or General  
Assembly Committee

Help Lead New Member Classes  
Bake Bread for Visitors  
Start an NPC-based Special Interest Group  
Be Our Nursery School Board Liaison

*Ministry Opportunity  
Pledge of Time and Talent 2019*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group: \_\_\_\_\_ 17 & Under      \_\_\_\_\_ 18 & Up

*Commitment(s) to at Least One Ministry That Will Feed Me/My Soul*

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*Commitment(s) to at Least One Ministry Where My Gifts Can Be Used*

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In addition to my support for and work with Northminster, I'm responding to God's call on my time and talents by working with these organizations/groups:

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*Please detach this page and return this form in the mail or just drop it in the offering plate. If you have any questions or concerns, call Pastor Michael or Pastor Jessica.*