

2023 SERVE Book



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How to Use the SERVE Book

This booklet is an invitation to grow in your discipleship and commitment to Christ through your service. Our mission at First United Methodist Church is to be a servant church where new and lifelong Christians are becoming deeply committed followers and servants of Jesus Christ. We live into our mission as a servant church when we Seek, Educate, Relate, Value, and Embody.

Over the next two years, we will continue to lean into our desired outcomes to Grow Deep, Grow Wide, and Grow Joy.

The following pages are brief descriptions of First United Methodist Church's ministry opportunities to serve. It will be a valuable tool for helping you find places to live out your faith as you Grow Deep, Grow Wide, and Grow Joy. It also helps us to organize into teams to ensure we are fulfilling our calling to be a servant church.

Will you please take a few minutes to review the service opportunities? Look for opportunities that align with your gifts, passion, or curiosity.

If you are currently volunteering in an area and would like to continue, please still sign up for that area so we can add you to this ministry team again as we are trying to build a database of where FUMC is committing to serve.

Please do not wait to be recruited to volunteer for a specific ministry. You are invited to listen to your heart, think about your gifts and passions, and find opportunities to be in service in our church and our community. If you serve in other ways that are not listed, I encourage you to list them so we can celebrate and pray for your servant ministry.

If you have questions about a particular ministry, please call the church office (620-241-3626) and they will connect you to the person associated with that ministry.

When you've finished reviewing the SERVE Book and are ready to sign up, please visit www.mcphersonfumc.com/SERVEBook and sign up! If you don't use a computer, then just circle the ministry areas you'd like to volunteer for and drop this booklet by the church office! Thanks for serving!

Grow Deep

*In order to **love God** more deeply and exemplify Christ in our daily living, our congregation will invest in our spiritual development and nurture our relationships with God and one another.*

Ministry	Description of Service	Frequency of Service
Usher 8:30 AM Service -and/or- 10:15 AM Service Christmas Eve 2022	Be a welcoming presence on Sunday mornings through handing out bulletins, receiving the morning offering and helping guests find a seat. <i>Circle your preferred service time and if you'll help on Christmas Eve <u>this year</u>.</i>	Once a month or whatever fits your schedule
Greeter 8:30 AM Service – and/or- 10:15 Am Service Christmas Eve 2022	Be an intentional, welcoming presence before worship begins by welcoming guests into the building at entryways before the Worship Service. <i>Circle your preferred service time and if you'll help on Christmas Eve <u>this year</u>.</i>	Once a month or whatever fits your schedule.
Communion Steward 8:30 AM Service	Pick up juice and prepare elements before 8:30 AM worship service as well as serve communion.	Once every other month
Communion Server 8:30 AM Service – and/or- 10:15 AM Service Christmas Eve 2022	Take part in Holy Communion by serving the bread or cup during the worship service. <i>Circle your preferred service time and if you'll help on Christmas Eve <u>this year</u>.</i>	Once every 2 months
Liturgist 8:30 AM Worship Service – and/or- 10:15 AM Worship Service	Lead worship by reading the scripture lesson. <i>Circle your preferred service time.</i>	4 times a year
Worship Tech Team 8:30 AM Worship Service – and/or- 10:15 AM Worship Service Christmas Eve 2022	Assist in the sound booth helping with video, audio, or worship slides for our Sunday worship services. <i>Circle your preferred service time and if you'll help on Christmas Eve <u>this year</u>.</i>	As Needed
Sanctuary Pew Preparation	Straighten pew Bibles and hymnals and replace supplies in the sanctuary pews.	As Needed

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Prayer Team Ministry	Gather together each Thursday morning to remember in prayer each name listed on our prayer request cards.	Weekly
S.W.A.G. Family Ministry Team	Join the team that creates opportunities for young families to grow in relationship with one another and grow in their faith.	As needed
Young Adult Ministry Team	Join the team that creates opportunities for young adults in their 20s & 30s to grow in their relationships with one another and grow in their faith.	As needed
Small Group Leader	Facilitate short-term small groups periodically throughout the year.	Periodically
Church Office Volunteer for Phone Help	Answer the church phone during staff meetings or other times when coverage is needed.	As needed

Grow Wide

*In order to **love our neighbors** more deeply and continue our servant mission in the world, we will develop intentional relationships and partnerships with individuals / organizations in our community.*

Ministry	Description of Service	Frequency of Service
Bus Driver	Transport persons who request a ride to Sunday School and Worship Services. A list of names and addresses will be provided for you. Substitutes always needed.	Average - Once a month
Welcoming Team	Be a part of a team that looks to intentionally enhance the welcoming environment for newcomers, visitors and members. Be present at the Connect Here table on Sundays to answer questions and give tours of the church or assist with delivering New Visitor Bags.	As needed
Property Maintenance	May include painting, repairs, lawn care, or other projects as requested by the Trustees including care of parking lot and sidewalks. Only interested in a specific area? Circle your preference below: Mowing Team Flower Bed Maintenance Parking Lot & Sidewalk Cleanup & Weed Control Snow Removal on sidewalks	As needed
Recycling	Take church recycling materials to the Recycling Center.	As needed
Church Cleaning Volunteer	Assist with general cleaning, (i.e. – vacuuming, cleaning glass, etc.) Especially on Mondays and Fridays.	As needed
Food Cupboard / Diaper Ministry Team	Participate in our food cupboard ministry team by packing boxes, purchasing groceries and diapers (using the servant outreach funds) and stocking shelves for First UMC Food Cupboard.	Weekly or monthly
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Be a part of this ministry which works on crocheting or knitting shawls. If you don't know how to knit or crochet, we will connect you with someone who can teach you the simple pattern.	As needed
Congregational Care Minister	Receive training and make monthly visits to people in our church who cannot attend worship or visits to people who are recovering from surgery or acute illnesses.	Monthly / As needed

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Hands on Helper	Help people in our church who are ill or homebound by running errands or helping with tasks around the home.	As needed
Meal Maker	Provide a meal or part of a meal for people in our church at times of need. Example: Upon return from the hospital.	As needed
Odd Jobs Ministry Team	Serve on a team that assists community members with home maintenance repairs and other odd jobs around the house.	As needed
SERVE Day Planning Team	Help plan and lead one of our four quarterly SERVE Days.	As needed
Volunteer with STEPNC	I feel called to volunteer and would like to learn more about ways to use my gifts and talents to support STEPNC (i.e. help kids in poverty, provide a meal, make people in poverty feel welcome here, become an intentional friend to someone in poverty, etc.)	Varies
Bridges Out of Poverty Training with STEPNC	Attend this training to build your understanding of different socioeconomic backgrounds and to learn more about STEPNC.	Once
Bake Treats	Bake treats for church events and other gatherings.	As needed
Make Salads	Make salads for funeral dinners.	As needed

Grow Joy

*In order to deepen our enthusiasm for the work of **loving God and neighbor**, we will share our stories and celebrate our faith through fun, energetic, intergenerational worship and service.*

Ministry	Description of Service	Frequency of Service
Sunday Morning Hospitality Server	Prepare coffee and serve donuts/cookies in the SERVE Center during the fellowship time on Sunday mornings from 8:00-10:15 AM.	Once every other month
Nursery Volunteer	Serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings taking care of our babies and young children.	Every six to eight weeks
Children's Sunday School Teacher or Companion	Teach or assist our children by building relationships, and helping them learn the stories of the Bible and the Christian faith.	Once a month
KidsZone Leader or Companion	Lead activities around a Bible theme including Bible stories, games and hands-on activity centers. Youth and adults needed.	Each Wednesday for a 10-week session
3rd Grade Bible Mentor	Assist the 3 rd graders with their new Bibles, helping them navigate through the Bible.	Sept. – Nov. Wednesday Nights
Children's Ministry Team	Meet monthly to plan children's events and make decisions regarding Children's Ministry in alignment with the FUMC servant model.	As needed
Vacation Bible School Planning Team	Make decisions and plans for VBS structure; recruit, train and support leaders. Do necessary promotion and advertisement. Youth and adults needed.	As needed prior to VBS
Vacation Bible School Decorating Team	Plan, make decorations, and decorate hallways and other areas to fit the VBS theme. Youth and adults needed.	As needed prior to VBS
Vacation Bible School Leader	Volunteer to lead as an activity center leader, rotation leader, 5th grade experience leader, snacks, meals, crafts, decorating and much more! Youth and adults needed.	Daily during the week of Vacation Bible School
Youth Group Sponsors	Help with Wednesday evening gatherings, transportation, and just being available to help the youth during activities.	Weekly or as needed
Bring Treats to Youth Group	Provide Treats for Youth Group.	Weekly or as needed

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Confirmation Mentor	Be a part of Confirmation experience! You'll be paired with an 8 th grader and participate in retreats, classes, and service projects!	February to May as scheduled
Volunteer at Youth Group Special Events	Serve at Youth Group special events and connect with youth.	As needed
Host a youth group meeting at your home	Host a youth group meeting at your home.	As needed
Prayer partner for a youth	Volunteer to connect with a youth as their prayer partner.	As needed
Worship Quartet	Be a part of the worship quartet that leads the 8:30 worship in traditional song using the Hymnal, The Faith We Sing, and Worship and Song. Rehearsals are at 8:00 AM on Sundays.	Once a month
Worship Ensemble	Do you play an instrument? Be part of an instrumental worship ensemble leading hymns during the 8:30 AM worship service.	Once a month or as needed
Praise Team	Be part of the contemporary praise team that leads the 10:15 service in praise and worship. Rehearsals are 5:30 PM on Wednesdays and 9:30 AM on Sundays.	Weekly or as needed