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***Trinity Volunteer Commitments  
Fall 2018***

***Volunteer Areas & Descriptions***



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Another summer has quickly gone. We have traveled, rested, visited with family and friends, and countless other things. Now our minds are slowly returning to the fall. With the change of seasons often comes the change of pace for our daily lives. Fall often is a season where things ramp up and we find ourselves to be more busy. This may be overwhelming! It is easy to think, "I don't have time to serve." But that is exactly what we need to do! Being human is more than working for the next paycheck, but to do the work God has placed before us for the sake of his kingdom.

With our volunteer commitments in the coming weeks, we are making a commitment to use the time and talents the Lord has given us to serve His Church and our community. As we put our offering in the plate, a giving of our financial resources, now we have an opportunity to give of the person we are in Christ to the world and His mission.

Service also gives us the opportunity to grow and be formed by Christ. As James 3 says, faith without works is dead. It is the love of Christ which compels us to service--a giving of what we have received.

This is not a new thing. The Church has been serving throughout the ages. Let us find encouragement in the acts of faith and service from those who have gone before us and ask God over the coming weeks through prayer to stretch us to serve His Church in new ways this coming year.

In Christ,  
Pastor Christopher Davis



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### ***Worship Ministry***

- Altar Care
- Fellowship
- Welcome Team
- Information Center
- Presentation of Gifts
- Candle Care
- Acolytes

### ***Music Ministry***

- Piano/Organ
- Cantors
- Instrumentalists
- Handbells
- Choir
- Worship Team
- Worship Screens & Sound Booth

### ***School Ministry***

- PTO Member
- Classroom Mentor
- Homework Helper
- Guest Reader
- School Library
- Learning Center Helper

### ***Children & Youth Ministries***

- Bible Study/Events Child Care
- Leaders for Children's Classes
- Leader's Assistants
- FourTwelve
- Sanctus

### ***Care Ministries***

- Elderly Care
- Meals Team
- Transportation
- Family Care
- Prayer Chain

### ***Outreach***

- CCS Bag Project
- Children's Quilt Ministry
- Event Team

### ***Events***

- Oktoberfest
- Father Son Nerf Wars
- Craft Fair
- Lenten Soup Suppers
- Daddy Daughter Dance
- Vacation Bible School

### ***Facilities Ministry***

- Adopt a Garden
- Cleaning Crew
- Pew Crew
- Office Helper

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## **WORSHIP MINISTRY**

### **Altar Care**

The Altar Care teams have a special part in preparing for the Holy Eucharist. They light the candles before worship and prepare the communion ware, bread, and wine before worship begins. Clean up follows each worship service.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

### **Fellowship**

Fellowship is a time for guests and members to connect. Coffee is served at 10:00am between worship services. Volunteers are needed to order and pick up donuts, make coffee, set up refreshments, serve, and clean up. This is a great opportunity for a family to serve together.

- **Sunday between services**

### **Welcome Team**

The Welcome Team is made up of teams of 5 people. Each team will welcome guests, distribute any handouts that are necessary, and collect offering during a designated worship service. Families are welcome to serve together in this ministry.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

### **Information Center**

The Information Center is the “first contact” for many of our members and guests and serves as a place of welcome and information. It is the central location for all materials pertaining to event sign-ups, membership and school. Volunteers will help people as needed with general church/school information and event sign-ups.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

### **Presentation of Gifts**

This is an opportunity for families to take part in the Eucharistic Liturgy by presenting the bread and wine to the Pastor in preparation for Holy Communion.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

### **Candle Care Crew**

Weekly duties include filling candles and changing colored banners.

### **Training Required**

### **Acolytes**

Acolytes assist in carrying the torches and crucifix in procession for Eucharist, along with assisting the pastor in other ways as needed.

### **Training Required**

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**



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## ***MUSIC MINISTRY***

### **Piano/Organ**

Use your talents to play for worship, accompany an ensemble, or perform keyboard solos.

**As needed - Saturday/Sunday**

### **Cantors**

These singers lead the congregation in the Kyrie, Psalm, and/or Gospel Acclamation at Saturday 5pm and Sunday 9am.

**As needed - Saturday/Sunday**

### **Instrumentalists**

We invite those who play brass, woodwinds, string, or percussion to use their talents and participate in various instrumental ensembles for special services.

**As needed - Saturday/Sunday**

### **Trinity Handbells**

This group participates in worship primarily at the Saturday 5pm and Sunday 9am services. It is open to Senior High students and adults. Reading music is a prerequisite.

- **Practice - Thursday 5:30pm**
- **Perform - Saturday & Sunday**

### **Trinity Choir**

This group sings primarily for the Sunday 9am services. It is open to Senior High students and adults.

- **Practice - Thursday 6:30pm**
- **Perform - Saturday & Sunday**

### **Worship Team**

This group participates in contemporary worship. Vocalists and instrumentalists are needed

- **Practice - Tuesday 7:00pm**
- **Perform - Sunday 10:30am**

### **Worship Screens & Sound Board Operators**

Take part in leading worship by being a worship screen or sound booth operator. We will train you! You must be timely and have dependable transportation.

- **Saturday 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 9:00am**
- **Sunday 10:30am**

## ***SCHOOL MINISTRY***

### **P.T.O.**

Work with the parent and teacher community to organize, plan and run school activities and special events throughout the school year.

### **Ongoing**

**Hee Haw Back to School Night -  
September 18**

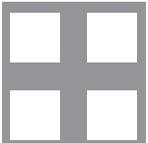
**Book Fair - November 9**

**Christmas Festivus - December 20**

**Lutheran Schools Week - January 27-  
February 2**

**Epic End of Year Celebration - June 4**

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## Classroom Mentor

Share your interests and gifts by helping in a school classroom, art class, school team or club. Students and volunteers enjoy the time getting to know each other and the extra hands are always appreciated!

**Ongoing - *As scheduled with teacher***

## Homework Helper

As a homework helper you would assist students who may need a little extra attention in a particular subject with their homework immediately after school. Times to be arranged with individual classroom teachers or during the after school program.

**Monday-Friday 3-3:30pm**

## Guest Reader

Visit a classroom or school library to read a story to students on a regular basis or plan a one time visit.

**As scheduled with teacher**

## School Library

Check library books in and out, help students find books, shelve returned books.

**As scheduled with teacher (weekly)**

## Learning Center Helper

Work with small groups of younger students in teacher-directed learning activities.

**As scheduled with teacher**

# CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

## Children's Ministry Volunteers

The spiritual nurture of our children is important. Teachers are needed to lead the children in Bible activities, crafts, and games based on the theme of the day, assistants are needed to help the lead teachers, and nursery workers are needed for ages 0-3. Special events childcare is on an as needed basis.

**Sundays 10:30-11:30am**

**Childcare**

**Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm**

**Teachers**

**Assistants**

**Childcare**

## MOPS Childcare

MOPS meets the third Thursday of every month from 9:00-10:30am. We are in need of four caregivers to volunteer sharing their love with babies through three year olds.

**3rd Thur. 8:30am-10:45am**

## Special Events

**Childcare**

## FourTwelve

Small group leaders are needed who are comfortable spending time with youth grades 6-8, willing to have fun, and open to sharing their faith experiences to help students. You don't need to be an expert!

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FourTwelve meets Wednesday nights. .

**Wed. 6:30-8:00pm**

### **Sanctus**

Small group leaders who are willing to connect with youth grades 9-12, engage them in conversations, and share in a life together. These leaders must be welcoming to all, comfortable talking about tough issues, and sharing their own past experiences to encourage and challenge the youth of Trinity. Come be part of this great team! Sanctus meets Sunday nights from 6-8pm.

**Sun. 6-8pm**

### **Fundraising Coordinator**

We are looking for a parent who would be willing to work alongside Pastor Davis in planning and executing fundraisers for the youth group. Funds raised are used for youth group trips.

## ***CARE MINISTRIES***

### **Caring for our Elderly**

A visit, phone call, card, or meal can bring great joy to someone who is confined to home or in home nursing care. When you join this ministry, you will be given the name of an elderly member, and you will contact this person once a month or more with an act of kindness and care. This is a wonderful way for a family to serve together.

**As directed by the Parish Nurse**

### **Transportation**

A transportation team volunteer might be asked to take a person to and from an appointment or worship, pick up pre-ordered groceries or prescriptions and deliver them, or other various tasks. . You must have a valid driver's license and be able to assist a person in getting in and out of the car.

**As Needed**

### **Meals Team**

We offer meals to our members that are expecting a baby, having surgery, or are experiencing other situations that require some extra care. This team uses a website to organize meals and communicate to each other and the family.

**As Needed**

### **Family Care**

The care of our families who are expecting a baby is an incredible opportunity to reach out with a helping hand. This ministry is also available to anyone who suffers a miscarriage, stillborn birth or any other crisis.

**As Needed**

they need to support them. **Those who are interested in being a Stephen Minister attend a 50 hour training course beginning in August.**

### **Prayer Chain**

Be a part of the email prayer chain and pray for your brothers and sisters at Trinity and all

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## ***OUTREACH MINISTRIES***

### **Service Nights at Church Community Services**

We meet at Church Community Services in Elkhart. (907 Oakland Avenue) Children 10 and over are welcome to serve if accompanied by an adult. Sign up at <https://goo.gl/hJHMC4>

**First Tuesday of Every Month, 6-8pm**

### **CCS Bag Project**

The task is simple, but the impact is great as we sort and fold recycled grocery bags to be used in the Church Community Services Food pantry.

**Ongoing Mon. 12:30-2pm**

### **CCS Food Drive**

Bring non perishable food and hygiene items and drop them off at the designated area in the gathering area of the church. These items are distributed to those in need at the Church Community Services Food Pantry in Elkhart.

**Ongoing**

### **Quilting Ministry**

Join a dedicated group of volunteers in making baby quilts for those in need. Quilts are distributed to various ministries throughout Michiana.

**2nd Thursday 9-11am**

### **Fellowship Team**

This group is called upon if we have a special reception or event that will offer refreshments. Planning, preparing food, setting up, serving, and cleaning up are all part of this hospitality based ministry.

**This is on an as needed basis.**

### ***Events***

#### **Oktoberfest**

This outdoor family event is a Trinity tradition! Volunteers will help set up, clean up, serve food, or supervise inflatables.

**Sept 30th**

#### **Father Son Nerf Wars**

Looking for moms who will help plan the event, set up the course, purchase and serve food, and clean up.

**January 27th**

#### **Craft Bazaar**

The proceeds from this outreach event support Church Community Services in Elkhart. Volunteers are needed to set up, clean up, and assist vendors.

**Sat. Nov. 3th, 8am-2pm**





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## **Lenten Soup Suppers**

Soup suppers are served before evening worship on Wednesdays in Lent. Set up, preparation, serving, and clean up duties are shared among a group of volunteers. When you sign up, you will only be asked to volunteer for one meal, unless you want to do more!

**March/April**

## **Daddy Daughter Dance**

This special evening is put on by a group of volunteers who participate in various tasks such as setting up on Saturday morning, helping in the kitchen with refreshments, greeting guests, or cleaning up after the event.

**March 9th**

## **CruFest**

Many volunteers are needed for the success of this school benefit auction, including planning committee, decorations, silent auction, set-up and clean-up.

**April 26**

## **Vacation Bible School**

This is a great outreach event for Trinity! Volunteers will help greet, teach, assist with groups, help in the kitchen, or work on decorations.

**June 17-21**

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## ***FACILITIES MINISTRIES***

### **Adopt a Garden**

Families can adopt a garden area around our facility. Duties include weeding, tree trimming, or planting.

**Weekly during growing season  
(spring to early fall)**

### **Mowing**

We are looking for individuals who would like to help keep our grounds beautiful by volunteering some time to mow. We will train you on the use of our riding lawn mower.

### **Cleaning**

Duties include cleaning windows, dusting areas, and other light work in church area as directed by the Facilities Director.

**As needed**

### **Pew Crew**

A group comes in once a month to dust pews, window sills, pictures, altar area, and to fill the pew racks.

**Once a month**

### **Office Helper**

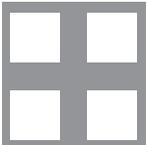
Helpers are needed occasionally for assembling mass mailings, shredding, data collection, and small projects.

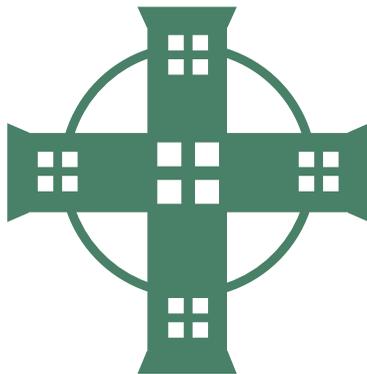
**As needed.**

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### ***Other Skills and talents?***

Don't see anything on this list that matches up with your skills and talents but you still want to serve? Contact us and we'll see how we can get you plugged into our collective ministry.





# **Trinity Lutheran**

Church & School

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