

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you know a good deal about the ministries at JFUMC, this page offers you the chance to sign up in a general area of interest, or for a specific volunteer position. Check all the circles on this page where you would like to serve in the coming year. Someone will contact you to discuss your commitment. Most volunteer positions last one year in length and will begin very soon.

WORSHIP

Areas of Interest

- 8:30 Sanctuary
- 10:50 Sanctuary
- 10:50 Family Life Center
- Greenbriar worship
- Transitions worship
- Woodland Hills worship
- Retreats

Specific Jobs

- Van driver
- Usher
- Greeter
- Communion steward
- Liturgist (lay worship leader)
- Visitor follow-up
- Audio/visual tech (sound, lights, or computer)
- Drama team
- Musical instrument
- Choir
- Ensemble

EVANGELISM & COMMUNICATION

Areas of Interest

- Printed Media
- Internet
- Phone calls
- Organizing

Specific Jobs

- Mailings
- Advertising/marketing
- Photography
- Videography
- Reporter
- Video design & production
- Event planning
- Web & social media development
- Printed publications
- Refreshments/hospitality

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Areas of Interest

- Visitation
- Phone calls
- Cards
- Prayer

Specific Jobs

- Sunday evening prayer team
- Hospital visits
- Homebound visits
- Nursing home services
- Transportation (appointments)
- Meals for funerals
- Kitchen team (serving)
- Cookie brigade

LIFE GROUPS/EDUCATION

Areas of Interest

- Nursery volunteer (to 3 yrs.)
- Pre-school (3-5 years)
- Early elementary (K-2nd grade)
- Late elementary (3rd-5th grade)
- Jr. High (6th-8th grade)
- Sr. High (9th-12th grade)
- Young adult (18-25 years)
- Adult ministries
- Special needs adults
- Special needs children

Specific Jobs

- Hosting (home or church)
- Discussion leader
- Teaching
- Helping
- Chaperoning
- Arts & crafts
- Puppets
- Vacation Bible School
- Mission Possible Kids/GLOW Kids helper
- Children's Church speaker
- Children's Church activities helper
- Children's Church music/worship

MISSION & OUTREACH

Areas of Interest

- Local missions
- Mission trips
- International missions
- Work with other churches

Specific Jobs

- Methodist in Action Sunday planning
- United Methodist Men planning
- United Methodist Women planning
- Prayer shawl ministries
- Planning community events
- Planning worship event
- Planning musical events
- Meals/supplies served to homeless

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

Areas of Interest

- Office work
- Work from home
- Clerical work
- Hands-on work
- Follow-up

Specific Jobs

- Receptionist
- Landscaping
- Maintenance/repairs
- Property & insurance research
- Data entry
- Financial tasks
- Cleaning
- Recycling

KEY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Regular worship attendance, giving, and LIFE Group involvement required.

Areas of Interest

- Support/behind-the-scenes work
- Committee work
- Task forces (specific & short-term)

Specific Jobs

- Lay Leader (work with pastor to consider larger directions of ministry)
- Church Council Chair (organize & supervise meetings)
- Conference delegate (serve as liaison between congregation and larger denomination; attend denominational conferences)
- Nominations & Leadership Development (nominations and training opportunities)
- Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Serve as liaison among pastors, staff, and congregation)
- Board of Trustees (Facilities, insurance, and maintenance concerns)
- Finance Committee (budget/accounting oversight)

WHAT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SPIRITUAL GIFTS?

There is no such thing as burn-out in the church.

If that statement sounds crazy to you, and if you can name countless examples of how you or others have “burned out” in church work, then we invite you to approach service in a more biblical, balanced way.

“Spiritual Gifts are special abilities given by the Holy Spirit and distributed to every believer according to God’s design and grace for the common good of the body of Christ” (from Network, 2005). While all of us strive to have faith, a person with the spiritual gift of faith has an uncanny ability to know that God is taking care of us in the most difficult decisions. Some have referred to spiritual gifts as “burdens” because of the strong desires they bring to a person. For instance, a person with the spiritual gift of intercession often says they have a burden to pray for others...they just can’t help it!

There are a variety of gifts, but they all come from God. Scriptures teach us about spiritual gifts in I Corinthians 12, Romans 12, and other scriptures. They include administration, evangelism, helping, hospitality, shepherding, faith, giving, creative communication, and a host of others.

To learn about spiritual gifts, you can visit this page on our church website:
www.jacksonvilleumc.com/servant_leadership.html and follow the link to the Spiritual Gifts Assessment on the bottom of that page. That will provide a brief introduction to spiritual gifts, which can help with some initial questions you may have.

If you are interested in learning more about your spiritual gifts, please check one of the circles below to let us know of your preferred times for a short-term discussion group on this topic:

- Saturday (one-day workshop lasting six hours with breaks and a meal)
- Sunday afternoon (three weeks)
- Sunday school hour (six weeks)
- Sunday evening (six weeks)
- Weekday evening (six weeks)

WANT TO TALK WITH SOMEONE?

If you are uncertain about where you should serve at JFUMC, complete this section and someone will contact you to discuss possible areas of service for you.

Please select the ONE choice from each of the two options below that best represents your preferences.

- TASK ORIENTED. I enjoy doing things, and find energy in accomplishing tasks and goals. I often enjoy working with a smaller group of people committed to a common goal, and working alone.
- OR**
- PEOPLE ORIENTED. I enjoy interacting with others, and find energy when I am able to visit with others. I don’t like to work alone very often.

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- UNSTRUCTURED. I prefer to have lots of options and flexibility, and often feel confined by too much structure or too detailed of a plan.
- OR**
- STRUCTURED. I prefer to have a plan and follow it as closely as possible, and like to have a routine.

Tell us what you are most passionate about (working with children, teaching, visiting, working with older adults, working outdoors, doing office work, traveling, etc.):

Tell us what skills you have (speaking, finances, carpentry, sewing, writing, etc.):

Tell us about your hobbies:



This brochure lists opportunities to *Serve the World* through the ministries of our congregation at JFUMC. We ask everyone to volunteer for the ministry or ministries in which you find the most interest and enthusiasm. Put simply, serve where you love to serve!

Please check the areas that interest you most in this brochure, complete your contact information, and place return it to the church by placing it in the offering on Sunday or dropping it by the church office. Someone will contact you about your interest to serve.

Contact Information

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Do you have any military Service?

- Army
- Navy
- Air Force
- Marines
- Coast Guard
- Active duty
- Retired
- Guard/Reserve (PT/FT)
- Veteran