

CARING MINISTRIES

volunteer opportunities

Bereavement Teams

Bereavement Teams rotate off a schedule and offer receptions to a family after the funeral of a loved one. Light refreshments are served. We have three teams that rotate for each funeral: Team Emmans, Team Reid, and Team Stensrud. If you are interested in joining any of these teams, please email Mary Parker (mparker@christelca.org).

Care Team

The Care Team provides meals to a member of the congregation and their family after a surgery or hospitalization and can provide rides when necessary to a church member. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please email Mary Parker (mparker@christelca.org).

Gathered in Prayer

meets Wednesdays from 8-8:50 a.m. • Christ Providence (Adult Library)

This group meets weekly and prays over the needs of the church and the world. If you are interested in joining this group, please email D'Linda Highum (dlindahighum2@gmail.com).

Centering Prayer

This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. We practice Centering Prayer, a silent form of Christian prayer. Centering Prayer is a way to deepen your experience with God. Open to all, whether you are familiar with Centering Prayer or not. If you are interested in joining this group, please email Ellen Ruppert (ellenmarie40@gmail.com).

Noah's Helpers

This group is made up of volunteers who are reaching out to our senior members (75 and older), to offer prayer, encouragement, and support during the mobility restrictions brought on by COVID-19. We will be available to offer listening support, and will do our best to assist with other personal needs such as those involving food, supplies, and other as appropriate. Please email Laurie Carter (lcarter@christelca.org) if you would like to be a part of this ministry.

The Food Stork

Assist in meal preparation and delivery for new moms and their families. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please email Kate Milheim, (katemilheim@hotmail.com).

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by their Stephen Leaders to offer care to people who are hurting. A Stephen Minister typically has one care receiver at a time and meets with that person once a week for about an hour. Stephen Minister training is an engaging, energizing experience that features a mixture of presentation, video, group discussion, skill practice, and spiritual growth activities. Please email Pastor Tenny (tshifley@christelca.org), if you would like to be a part of this ministry.

OUTREACH & SERVING opportunities

McPIE Daytime Teams

Tutors Work with a particular teacher or a particular student once a week or more at your convenience. Contact: Celia Owen (cwowen92@gmail.com)

Teacher Partners Support a teacher with monthly encouragements. Contact: Diane Gavarkovich (diane.gavarkovich@gmail.com)

Teacher Appreciation Luncheons Help provide and/or serve lunch to teachers on Early Release days about 4-6 times a year. Contact: Alice McRorie (alicermcrorie@gmail.com)

Family Support Team Help provide, pack, hand out, or deliver grocery bags and fresh produce in season to identified families. Contact: Lisa Heirigs (lheirigs@christelca.org)

Copy Service Copy Crew is a good way to volunteer an hour or two of your time each week (or every other week if we have enough volunteers). This helps out the amazing teachers by saving them time because we make their copies for them. Don't worry if you don't know how to make copies, training will be provided! Contact: Jill Tan (443-812-4001 or jillgtan@gmail.com)

McPIE Family Night Teams

For ten Tuesdays this fall (and another series in spring) we will provide dinner, relationship, and activities for McClintock Middle School (MMS) students and their families. There are many ways to be involved:

Transportation Fifteen passenger vans are used to transport several clubs to nearby venues on Tuesday afternoons (3:45-5:30 p.m.) and evenings (6-7 p.m.); and then possibly to take some families home after Family Night activities (7:15 p.m.). CDL drivers could use the church's 22-passenger bus as well. Drivers and navigators used in each van/bus.

Contact: Sharhonda Morgan (smorgan@christelca.org)

Meals Set up and serve meals that Mike Wallace prepares; and clean up (5-6:30p)

School Store Hand out free school supplies during dinner (5:15-6:15p).

Registration Greet and sign in students and families before dinner (5:15-6:00p).

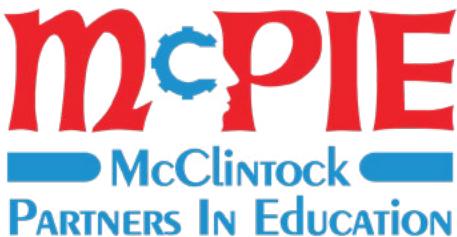
Younger Siblings Provide care and activities for preschool and elementary school siblings (6:15-7:15p).

Middle School Clubs Help with an array of clubs for MMS students (6:15 -7:15p).

Adult Offerings Help with ESL, Getting Ahead, Woman's Journey, and other parent options.

Floaters Fill in wherever needed on any particular Tuesday, when available.

Contact: Angela Davis (adavis@christelca.org)



Other Outreach & Serving Opportunities

Community Recreation Time

On Saturdays from 5-7pm, the community is welcome at Christ Providence to play basketball, do crafts and fellowship with others. Refreshments provided. Contact: Sharhonda Morgan (smorgan@christelce.org)

Growing to Give Community Gardens

Work with gardeners at Christ South and Christ Concord community gardens to grow and harvest fresh produce for our neighbors. Contact: Walt Roth (wroth1@bellsouth.net)

Crisis Assistance Ministry Clothing Drive

Bring new or gently used clothing to donate to our neighbors in need! Drop off clothing Monday-Friday at the Outreach Office. On Sunday, the blue bins will be outside the Outreach Office doors. Join a team to help deliver clothing donations to Crisis Assistance Ministries on Spratt Street. Contact Neal Mann (nealmann@bellsouth.net)

Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM)

Christ Concord is always accepting food donations that are delivered to CCM in Cabarrus County. Contact: Pastor Tenny (tshifley@christelca.org)

Knitters for Christ

meets 3rd Sundays at 10 a.m. • Christ Providence (coffee area)

We meet once a month to make prayer shawls, prayer squares, etc. to bless several organizations. Crocheters welcome as well; we will teach if you can't knit or crochet but want to learn. All supplies are donated.

Contact: Sandy Harris (704-364-8652 or coolkmom@bellsouth.net)

Soup Kitchen - A Roof Above

Group prepares and serves a meal on the 3rd Sunday of every month at A Roof Above. Contact: Celeste Lupo-Hack (celestelupohack@aol.com)

Afghan Resettlement

This group has formed and is in process of being assigned its first family. Needs and opportunities will become more clear as we build relationship with the family. Contact: Amy Daniels (adaniels@christelca.org)

Blood Drives

Quarterly drives take place at each campus through One Blood and American Red Cross. You can help host and/or plan to give blood 4x each year.

Contact: Dave Deeds (ddeeds@bellsouth.net) and Dawn Weisenberger (dhw1965@att.net)

Room In The Inn - A Roof Above

This winter from December through March 2023, Christ Providence will host our neighbors weekly through A Roof Above. Stay tuned for information!

Contact: Randy Satterfield (rpsatterfield@carolina.rr.com)



Kairos Prison Ministry

This group supports two weekend retreats each year at a NC Correctional facility. Participants receive training from Kairos and join a team that shares the love of Christ with the incarcerated in obedience to Jesus' words "I was in prison and you visited me" (Matthew 25). Open to all adult men.

Contact: Ed Eddleman (ed.eddleman@edata-charlotte.com)

Thrivent Action Teams

If you are a Thrivent member, you can host 1 or 2 Thrivent Action Teams each year. Thrivent will provide up to \$250 seed money for your project. We are willing to help you find and decide on a project that interests you. Even without having financial accounts with Thrivent, you can become an associate member for a few dollars and host one event. Thrivent members also have the option of Choice Dollars and can direct those dollars to our Benevolence Team.

Contact: Dee Dee Petronis (dpetronis@christelca.org)

Charlotte Rescue Mission Meal Provider

Would like to choose one or meals each month to provide and serve at Mission (for men) or Dove Nest (for women)? We need a core group to organize.

Contact: Amy Daniels (adaniels@christelca.org)

Build A Bed

Join Bob Linse and other volunteers from our community in a twice yearly event building beds for CMS students and others in need. Next build is October 8th; beds will be given out in November.

Contact: Bob Linse (robertblinse@gmail.com)

Faith Ministry

We hope to send a volunteer team to Mexico with this fabulous organization twice a year (February and July).

Contact: Marco Segovia (marcosegovia03@gmail.com)



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