

Greeter:

Maybe you are super friendly and like meeting new people. Greeters arrive before either service and welcome members and visitors as they come into the Sanctuary for worship.

Lay Leader in Worship:

Would you like to have an active leadership role during a worship service? Both adults and youth assist in worship leadership for regular Sunday worship services and special services. This leadership might include scripture readings, leading the prayer, and leading the Call to Worship. Training is required and offered.

Communion Preparation:

This is not just for adults. 2nd to 8th graders can help as part of a team that prepares the communion elements for the Lord's Supper. A training class is offered and is required.

Junior Choir:

Do you like to sing? Junior Choir may be just the ticket for you. This is open for 2nd through 6th graders. Practice time is Sundays 4:30-5:15pm. The choir is an important part of the worship service throughout the year.

Canterbury Bells:

5th through 8th graders are invited to be a part of our Youth Handbell Choir, the Canterbury Bells. The choir meets on a weekly basis, and may play for Youth Sunday, Christmas Joy Service, and for other worship services.

Musicals/Dramas:

There are times throughout the year when some dramatic and musical assistance is needed. If you would like to be included when these events come up, this is for you! It might be a skit for a 5th Sunday Breakfast or Congregational Dinner, or a speaking role during a special worship service.

Instrumentalists:

Do you play an instrument? There are opportunities for instrumentalists (or groups of them) for worship services and other programs.

Seasonal Decorations:

Do you have an eye for decorating? There are opportunities to set up, decorate, and pack up seasonal decorations for the sanctuary and other areas throughout the church during each season. Special projects include setting up and maintaining the Advent Wreaths and other special holiday decorations.

"We are God's work of art." Ephesians 2:10

"Now the gifts God gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ."

Ephesians 4:11-12



Opportunities For Ministry 2011

Children and Youth 2nd to 8th grade

*Here I Am, Lord
Answering Your Call*

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here I am; send me!" Isaiah 6:8

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Opportunities for 2nd to 8th graders at Unity

"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:8

This brochure highlights most of the volunteer opportunities for kids in 2nd to 8th grade in 2021. There are many ways youth who have not yet been confirmed can share their time and talents at Unity. Grown ups and teenagers aren't the only people with talents from God. God is calling us ALL to share our gifts of time, talent and treasure, no matter what age. Check it out!

Church Mice:

Keep it neat! Helpers are needed to keep offering envelopes and friendship pads stocked, as well as pencils sharpened. You could neaten the sanctuary for church during the week (after school or on Saturday) or before the Sunday service. Or, you could clean up in between Sunday services (before going to Sunday School).

Crafts:

Feeling creative? Various craft opportunities exist to help the many ministry teams at Unity. Banners, flower arranging, drama, poster-making, photography, you name it!

Nursery:

Do you enjoy hanging out and playing with little kids? Middle school youth are invited to help in Unity's nurseries with a parent.

GCs:

This youth program for grades 4-5 is awesome! Come together with other kids your age for Christian fellowship, growing your faith, and preparing for Junior High Youth Group. Meetings are first and third Sunday, from 5:15-6:45 pm. The program consists of three parts: Bible drills and thrills, Christian mission in our community, and dealing with daily problems in a Christian way. Also planned are some FUN afternoon outings! You know this sounds like fun, so join in!

Middle School Youth Group:

6th to 8th graders are invited to join Unity's Middle School Youth Group. Sunday evening group sessions and other events—trips, fundraisers, mission work, and outreach activities—will help you explore your creativity and leadership, your relationship with Jesus Christ, and your role as a disciple of Christ within Unity and in the community.

Nursing Home/Shut-in Visitation:

Would you like to go and visit someone who isn't able to get out much, either because they are elderly or because they are ill? A friendly face is a wonderful gift to people who are unable to get out of the house much! Training is required, and adult pairing is required.

Send Cards to those in need:

Would you like to send cards to people who need to know that there are people thinking of them in their time of need? Training is required, and adult pairing is required.

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve..."

Mark 10:45

Shepherd:

New members join our church about 4 times per year. Often these members are families with kids your age. Wouldn't it be nice to help those new kids feel welcome? Wouldn't it be nice to help those new kids understand about GCs, children's choir, Sunday School and more? Shepherds are paired with new members to help make them feel at home in a new place. This is what being friendly is all about!

Gardening, Landscaping Care, and Work Days:

While the adults are cutting limbs and shaping bushes, you could be spreading mulch or planting seasonal flowers. Flower beds need weeding, leaves need to be raked, and walkways need to be swept. This is a great way to get out and move a little!

CROP Walk:

Every October, this 6.2-mile walk or 1-mile fun walk, takes place to raise money for the hunger programs of Church World Service. 25% of the money raised in our area stays in our area for ongoing hunger programs here. Walkers are always needed and welcome!

Dimes for Hunger:

Isn't it amazing to think about people being really, really hungry? Walk through a local grocery store and think about how much food we have access to, and then think about how it feels for so many in the world—in our own community—who do not have access to basic food needs. Unity asks all members to participate in collecting one dime per meal over the course of one month. The money raised goes to hunger programs in Honduras, Guatemala, and in our area. Volunteers help with publicity and participate in this program.

American Red Cross Blood Drive:

While not old enough to donate blood yet, 2nd to 8th graders are able to help with other parts of Unity's many blood drives. Maybe you'd like to make cookies or brownies for donors while they rest after giving blood. Or maybe you would like to help with publicity and sign-ups.

Seasonal Missions:

There are special, seasonal projects throughout the year that 2nd to 8th graders are perfect for. At Thanksgiving, the Thanksgiving cornucopia is collected and displayed in the sanctuary. During Advent, the Angel Tree is coordinated and displayed. Other projects include the Rainbow of Caring, Souper Bowl Sunday, the collection of eyeglasses, and others. Volunteers are needed to help coordinate, oversee, publicize & participate in these projects.

Usher:

Would you like to come to church a little early and help hand out bulletins? With adults helping, 2nd to 8th graders make great ushers. Additional work might include passing the offering plate, checking the pews after the service, collecting friendship pad sheets after the 11:00 am service, and more. Training and adult pairing is required.

"Let each of you lead the life...to which God called you."

1 Corinthians 7:17