

NORTHSIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Contribute to a Ministry

Active participation in ministry is the intention of God's heart for His church (His people). God never intended for His people to stand on the sidelines and watch ministry happen. God expects the church to use their spiritual gifts, personal style and God-given passion for the Kingdom. Only when we embrace the attitude of service can we be what God wants us to be.

It was he who gave some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

Ephesians 4:12

Isn't it awesome that God, by His grace, has given us the opportunity to serve and minister on His behalf? This is a privilege. This is what we were created to do. So find your role on the team. We need you! If you have any questions about your spiritual gift, personal style or God-given passion and could use some help finding an area of ministry to plug yourself into, we would encourage you to fill out a ministry card at our Guest Services Desk or contact our church office at 833-1861. A great book that could help you identify your area of giftedness and passion is, "What You Do Best in the Body of Christ" by Bruce Bugbee.

The apostle Paul said, "The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others." 1 Corinthians 12:7 (CEV) Pray right now that God will steer you towards your ministry of passion so that you can experience the joy of giving!

"God, steer me towards my ministry of passion. Bless me with the joy that goes with serving you. God, use me in the body of Christ so that others might be built up and so that you might receive the glory."

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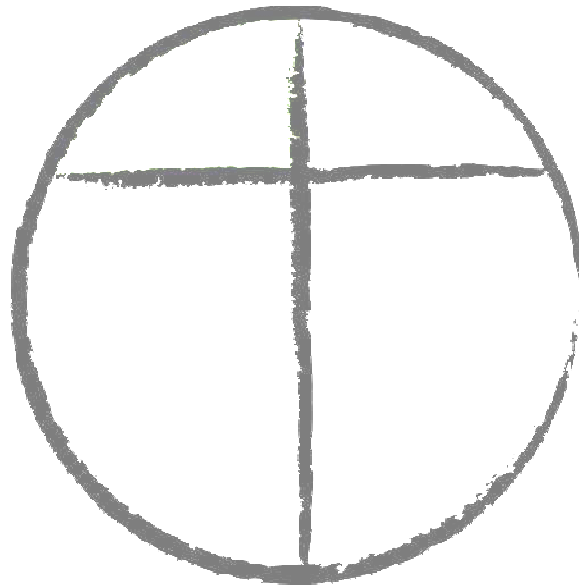
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OPERATIONS MINISTRY

Building

Contact: John Presko 833-1861

Glass Cleaning

Outside windows need to be cleaned once every month or two while the inside of the windows need to be cleaned more frequently. On a weekly basis, all the doors and windows near the entrances need to be cleaned.

Custodial Assistance

Our building is better maintained when we all pitch in and help with vacuuming, cleaning the floors, dusting, etc. If you are willing to help in any of these areas, please let us know.

Maintenance

There are always tasks to be performed in any building. In the area of maintenance, we need people with any and all skills, including electrical, plumbing, and painting skills, drywall, tile, etc.

Grounds

Contact: Office 833-1861

Mowing/Weed Eating

To provide the greatest visibility, the area between our white fence and the highway needs to be trimmed at least every three to four weeks. We will also have to mow the water detention area and around the camp site/picnic area several times a season.

Watering

To keep our trees and shrubs healthy, they will need to be watered weekly during summer.

Snow Removal

Contact: John Presko 833-1861
Joel Zinter has the equipment to remove the snow from our parking lot, however, on Sunday mornings, we need people available to be here early to clean all the sidewalks to make access to our building as safe as possible.

Flower Beds

We will have a limited number of flower beds that will need to be maintained and weeded throughout the growing season.

Office Support

Office Help

Contact: Jennifer Farquhar
833-1861
This ministry assists in database entry for class and morning worship attendance. This ministry also helps support administrative assistants with large mailing projects, binding booklets, stuffing song books or choir books, etc.

Web Development

Contact: Sean Taylor 866-5442
The Web Development team works to make northsidechristian-church.net an effective, interactive, informational resource for the community and Northside's attendees. Site development and site maintenance fall under this ministry.

Graphic Design

Contact: Noelle Neal 833-8832
The ministry of graphic communication and design involves the promotion of Northside Christian Church and its ministries through creative eye-catching material. This ministry will use creativity, to enhance Northside's bulletins, newsletters, logos, banners, post-cards, business cards, ads etc.

CARE MINISTRY

Special Needs

Care Giving

Contact: Lisa Buckler 833-0361

If you enjoy helping people with special needs, then this is a ministry for you! On a rotational basis during church services, you will be caring for people with disabilities so their families can attend service and praise the Lord.

Special Needs Teaching

Contact: Betty Harding 869-1255

We have several individuals in the church family with special needs that are capable of learning from God's Word. They need teachers who are willing to invest in their lives and teach them in such a way as to show them God's love and help them experience the joy of Jesus.

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.
1 Peter 4:10

Transportation

Vehicle Maintenance

Contact: Marvin Gott 833-0923

The church van receives a lot of use and requires routine maintenance and occasional light duty repairs. If you are interested in participating in this activity, you should plan for a one year commitment.

Vehicle Detailing

Contact: Church office 833-1861

The church van and bus are used for all ministries at Northside Christian Church. Individuals are needed to clean the inside and outside of the van and bus on a periodic basis.

Weddings

Wedding Facilitator

Contact: Church Office
833-1861

The wedding facilitator will partner with the families who are planning a wedding in order to orient them to the facility, introduce them to our accessories and their locations, answer questions, open and close the facility, provide assistance and to ensure that they are aware of our wedding policies and procedures.

Prayer

Prayer Warriors: Sunday Morning Prayer Teams

Contact: Dennis Orsburn
987-7127

These individuals meet 30 minutes before service or Sunday School to pray for our services and teachers and for the hearts of listeners and special needs in our congregation. Prayer is powerful and effective. This ministry meets in the prayer room in our offices.

Prayer Partners

Contact: Dennis & Toni Orsburn
987-7127

The prayer partners receive weekly e-mails containing the prayer needs and praises of

individuals from Northside. Prayer partners simply pray throughout the week for the various needs.

Post Service Prayer Team

Contact: Corey Scott 833-1861
This team serves on a rotation basis to provide much needed opportunities for people to pray following the Sunday morning service. Sometimes individuals are not comfortable making their prayer needs known publicly but would still like to pray with someone. The person who serves on this team must simply be available to pray for those who come to them.

Financial Counseling

Contact: Paul Weber 724-1807

Financial Counseling Ministry

This ministry is designed to assist and equip others in the area of personal finances through encouragement and education. There will be two basic parts to the ministry. The first is counseling, which will be performed on an individual basis

with confidentiality and accountability between the counselor and participant(s). The second is education, which will be performed through class or seminar style instruction and participation.

ADULT MINISTRY

Guest Services

Contact: Kris Prewitt 886-8056

Parking Lot Team

We need people to serve one month out of three from 10:00 till 10:30 when we have the greatest number of vehicles on our property. You must be willing to direct traffic and greet members and guests with a smile.

Worship Center Greeters

Assist in facilitating our worship services so that people can experience the presence of God by greeting, passing out bulletins, seating, and overseeing our entrances and exits.

Door Greeters

Provide a warm and friendly atmosphere that extends beyond

our front doors to our church family and our guests. Greet, assist and give an appropriate personal touch to every person who comes to Northside Christian Church.

Guest Services Desk

Provide a warm and friendly atmosphere for transferring information between our guests, members and Northside Christian Church. Oversee the information desk area and answer the phone as needed throughout the morning.

Runners

Assist our guests by personally leading them to the areas they need to go.

Small Groups

Contact: John Presko 833-1861

Leaders

Small Groups meet throughout the greater Springfield area for the purpose of sharing life, praying, studying and serving together. Small Group Leaders are needed to facilitate that experience and lead the group. Video curriculum is often used requiring the leader to facilitate questions and answers. At other times, the leaders will be given small group curriculum to work through.

Hosts will minister by opening their homes to the other members of the small group. Hosts will create a warm, welcoming environment for the small group. This ministry is built on the gift of hospitality.

If you remain in me and
my words remain in you,
ask whatever you wish,
and it will be given you.
John 15:7

Host Homes

Sunday School

Sunday School Teacher

Contact: Ed Holt 833-9358

This ministry will involve those people who teach our adult classes which meet during our Sunday School hours. They will work together with other adult teachers to help achieve the spiritual maturity of our members.

Sunday School Shepherd

Contact: Bible Fellowship
Teacher for Sunday School Class.

This ministry includes caregivers within the Sunday School class. They are to be involved in activities that will incorporate each person into the body of Christ.

Recreation

Softball

Contact: Darrell Maus 833-6786
Men's and co-ed teams sponsored by Northside Christian Church provide an opportunity for un-churched friends to compete and get to know Christians in a non-threatening environment. Soft ball season is in the summer.

Golf League

Contact: Darrell Maus 833-6786
Those interested in participating or assisting in the leadership of this ministry should contact Darrell .

Basketball

Contact: Daniel Neal 833-8832
Men's basketball is offered typically during the fall and winter months to provide an opportunity for men to compete and fellowship. This is offered as an outreach event to bring other men into contact with our Christian fellowship. At the present time, open gym is offered on Monday nights at Willard Intermediate.

Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

John 13:14-15

Creative Arts

Worship Ministry

Praise Team

The Praise Team (made up of vocalists and instrumentalists) serves by leading the congregation in song during the worship service, as well as occasional special music opportunities. Volunteers for this ministry will be asked to audition for ability, although the purpose of the praise team in the worship service is not to showcase one's talent, but to bring glory to God and to minister to the congregation.

Special Music

Volunteers for this ministry will be asked for an informal audition for ability. This can be done live or through something previously recorded. The purpose is not to showcase one's talent, but to bring glory to God and to minister to the congregation. Those serving in this ministry will be responsible for special music in both the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services on the Sunday for which they have been contacted.

Instrumentalist

This is an opportunity to use one's talent with a musical instrument to augment the worship services. Instruments may vary greatly, from keyboard and piano, to guitar, to percussion and rhythm, to orchestral instruments. Volunteers will be asked to audition for ability, is not to showcase one's talent, but to bring glory to God and to minister to the congregation.

Drama

Contact: Concheta Lanpher
859-4301

Upon occasion, various forms of drama will be used in conjunction with the worship services. These events will be applicable to the message in that service. Dramas will range from short sketches to full length productions.

Choir

The typical choir season is held during the regular Sunday night "Building U" programming (fall and spring semesters). We welcome anyone to be a part of the choir, whether or not they have had experience in choirs.

Technical Team

Sound Technician

One of the most powerful aspects of each Sunday's worship service is the quality of the sound, music, and voices. Those involved with this ministry will have the responsibility of operating the sound system during the church services and other special events. Training on the church's equipment and concepts of quality sound management will be provided.

Media Technician

This ministry is vital for the clear communication we strive for in the morning worship services. In this ministry, you will operate the presentation software (Easy Worship) used to display all the text and videos used. You will also manipulate the stage lights

and switch between video signals (i.e. text and live video feed).

Training for this ministry will be done by Corey Scott as well as a 3-4 week apprenticeship under one of the current Media Technicians.

Camera Technician

This ministry is a developing need for the morning worship service.

In this ministry, you will serve on a rotation with others to operate a video camera that will be displayed as a live video feed (known as IMAG, or *image magnification*) during the worship service.

Training for this ministry will be done by Corey Scott. Experience in operating video cameras isn't required but is extremely advantageous.

Communion

Communion Preparation

Contact: Cliff & Shirley Buchanan 833-6283

The purpose of this ministry is to prepare communion in advance of Sunday services and to clean up the communion trays.

Communion Servers

Contact: Dennis Johnson 732-8271

The purpose of this ministry is to serve by facilitating the passing of the communion and offering trays to the congregation.

Women's Ministry

Director: Libbie Hampton 833-6202

Co-Director: Pam Highfield 833-9370

Spiritual Wellness

Contact: Kim Bushnell (833-1685) & Beth Ryan (833-6475)

Bible Study

Wednesday morning contact: Zoe Dopp 833-1458

Thursday evening contact: Kim Bushnell 833-1685

Wednesday mornings and Thursday evenings women participate in a time of study, prayer and fellowship. This foundational program of the women's ministry prepares and encourages women to lead godly, purposeful lives. There are several areas in which you can be involved in this ministry:

- Small Group Leader. Facilitate small group discussions and prayer
- Food Coordinator: Snacks are provided and need coordinated.
- Child Care Coordinator:

Women's ministry budget pays for child care – help is needed in locating and overseeing child care workers.

Women's Retreat

Every September area churches participate in a weekend women's retreat at Marantha Bible Camp with one host church planning and providing the weekend's program of speakers, workshops, praise time and meals. Each April Ozark Christian College staff and friends host a three day retreat at the college. Watch for sign up sheets in March.

Special Events

Contact: Johnna McKinnis (833-3825) & Amber Grider (833-8148)

Fall Event

Contact: Amber Grider 833-8148

Fall Craft Adventure is a time for fun, fellowship and outreach.

The day usually includes a catered lunch and four craft demonstrations with participants taking home two finished projects.

Love & Care

Contact: Leah Scott 869-5317

12 Days of Christmas

Contact: MaryAnn Martin
833-4429

The purpose of this ministry is to bring Christmas cheer to those who are widowed or shut-in during the holiday season.

The ladies in this ministry make or purchase identical small gifts such as magnets, pot holders, soaps, bookmarks, cookies, etc. for each of the recipients. Gift bags are then assembled and delivered 12 days before Christmas so that a gift can be opened for each of those 12 days leading up to Christmas. This is a special opportunity for the compassionate and cheerful at heart who are looking for a way to share their gifts with others.

Library

Contact: Debbie McAdoo
759-6364

This is a fun ministry for those who love to read and keep up on Christian literature. Volunteers will work with Debbie to process and shelve new items, reshelved returned items, and maintain the appearance of the library. Also needed is someone who is good at data input as the library collection is going to be put on a database. This ministry does not require a great deal of time.

Each man should give what he had decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7

Monthly Care Services

Contact: Shirley Buchannan 833-6283

Kitchen Laundry

Contact: Shirley Buchannan
833-6283

This is another practical ministry. We need people who are willing to collect soiled kitchen linens, launder them and return them to the church. Little time is required to help in this way.

Funeral and Ministering

Meals

Contact: Kathy Swope 883-4901

We need a team of people to cook and coordinate meals following funerals and for those who have become incapacitated due to illness, surgery, loss, etc. and are not involved in a Sunday School class or small group. This ministry provides needed comfort and sustenance for those who are ill or suffering loss.

Baptismal Robes and Linens

Contact: Shelly Swift 866-6591

This is a simple but necessary ministry. The people involved in this ministry are assigned a month in which they are responsible for the collection, laundering and restocking of our baptismal robes and linens.

Little time or effort is required to provide this important service to new believers and to those doing the baptizing.

Outreach Ministry

Advertising

Contact: Chris Brewer 861-5099

Individuals passionate about promoting the ministries and programs of Northside Christian Church and possess the

resources to communicate to the community are encouraged to join this team.

Home Mission Ministry

Christmas Meal Delivery

Contact: Ben Gifford (862-0623)

December 25th, hundreds of people in need will receive a hot, home-cooked meal prepared, packaged and delivered by Northside Christian Church. Help is needed with packaging and delivering.

I tell you the truth,
whatever you did for
one of the least of
these brothers of
mine, you did for me.
Matthew 25:40

Great Day of Service

Contact: Office 833-1861

The Great Day of Service is a day where Northside goes into the community to “show God’s love in a practical way” with no strings attached. We can do so much more working together than we

could possibly accomplish on our own. We are looking for coordinators to help lead in projects and organize teams as we serve in the community

Youth Ministry

Contact: Kevin Punch 833-1861

Life Groups

Life Groups Leaders

Life Groups are the gender-based small groups of Northside’s Student Ministry. Leaders will disciple and mentor a small group of students by facilitating discussion and building

relationships. All groups are provided with curriculum. Ultimately, these leaders help groups build trust, share, pray and laugh together, and ultimately grow together. Spring and fall Sundays 6:15-7:30 p.m.

Crave

Crave Sponsors

Simply put, Crave is church for teens by teens. Our goal is to create a passionate excitement among our students for a Sunday morning worship experience that will have maximum spiritual impact on their lives. As a Crave sponsor, adults will encourage and enable students within their ministry. These areas include

greeting, worship, communion preparation, communion meditations, games, drama, media, sound, and lighting. More than anything, this generation needs dedicated and caring adults modeling a Christian life.
Sundays 10:30 -11:45 am.

Insight

Insight Sponsors

In Insight, our goal is for senior high and junior high students to develop meaningful relationships with others through a discussion-based Bible study. In InSight,

sponsors will help students relate to each other by leading a guided conversation and developing students' spiritual maturity.
Sundays 9:00-10:00 a.m.

6:01

6:01 Sponsors

While it is important to have times of serious discussion and Bible study, students also need a time for laughs and fun. On the first and third Wednesday night of each month, students will meet for a time to Unwind. Sponsors will help encourage students and participate in the fun activities of the night.

1st & 3rd Wednesday night of the month; spring and fall 6:01-7:49 p.m.

God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.
Hebrews 6:10

Crave Café

Café Sponsors

The café ministry is designed to help create a warm and friendly environment for students by providing smoothies, mochas, and a variety of other refreshments. Sponsors will be in

charge of preparing the café for orders and operating a team of student servers.

Sundays 9:50 – 10:35 am

Special Events

Trip and Camp Sponsors

Throughout the year, Northside's Student Ministry will take various trips including summer camps, Christ in Youth conferences, discipleship retreats, and mission

trips. These sponsors would get involved in the events and encourage students to participate to the best of their ability.

Children's Ministry

Contact: Tiffany Blum 833-1861

Check-In Ministry

Check-In Ministry

A check-in worker is responsible for welcoming families and checking children into our various children's classes on Sunday morning. Responsibilities include running the computer check-in system, gathering information from new families and visitors and

monitoring the check-in desk at all times on Sunday mornings for security. These volunteers may choose to work at either the nursery/pre-K or elementary check-in desk during the 9:00 or 10:30 service for a rotation of one month each quarter.

Nursery Ministry

Nursery Ministry

The volunteers in our nursery area have the privilege and the joy of caring for and teaching our youngest Northside kids. These volunteers love and care for babies 0-24 months in either our

infant or toddler nursery. Nursery volunteers may choose to work either during our 9:00 or 10:30 service for a rotation of one month each quarter.

Preschool Ministries

Sunday School

Sunday School teachers and helpers have the opportunity to invest in the lives of our preschool aged kids on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. These teachers and helpers present easy to prepare lessons, crafts, games, memory work and songs from our age appropriate curriculum, Gospel Light's *Mover's and Shakers* material. Volunteers in this ministry may choose to work with our 2's, 3's or 4's to pre-K class on a rotation of one quarter per year.

based on the same story used during the 9:00 hour through the use of learning centers and Gospel Light's easy to teach lesson materials, *Little Kids Time*.

Volunteers in this ministry may choose to work with our 2's, 3's or 4's to pre-K class on a rotation of one month each quarter.

Sunday Nights

Our nursery and preschool is open on Sunday nights for those families who are here attending various classes and programming during spring and fall quarters. We need volunteers who are willing to minister to the needs of these families by being here for a less formal time of teaching and playing together. Volunteers in this ministry may choose their rotation or time based on their availability.

Preschool Worship

Worship teachers and helpers have the opportunity to continue the Sunday School lesson into a time of worship for these little ones. These teachers present a lesson during the 10:30 hour

Music

One area of our preschool ministry that we'd like to develop further is a structured time of music and worship. These little ones are already learning ways that they can worship God, but a music time could really be used to help teach

the importance of glorifying God with their voices at the youngest ages. Since this would be a new area of preschool ministry, the rotations and time of commitment would be flexible.

Elementary Ministries

Sunday School

Children, Kindergarten to 6th grade come at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings to increase their Bible knowledge through reading, memorizing, interacting and applying God's Word. Volunteers in this ministry would prepare and present lessons, crafts, activities and games on a weekly basis for one of the following age groups, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th & 6th on a one quarter per year rotation.

Jr. Worship

During our 10:30 hour, children Kindergarten to 4th grade get to worship our Lord in their own way. One of our goals is to really make the stories in the Bible come alive and to offer a time when our kids can come together as a community to worship our one

true God. Volunteers can get involved on a number of different levels in this area of ministry such as teaching, assisting with overall flow of the classroom, leading music or Easy Worship, giving personal testimony or performing a skit or other use of the creative arts.

Worship 5:6

Worship 5:6 is a time for our 5th & 6th graders to fellowship with one another and worship together at 10:30 a.m. Teachers in this area would be responsible to lead this time by preparing lessons, games, activities and discussion questions. Adult volunteers could also help assist the teacher just by being there. We also need someone willing to lead a time of singing in this class. Rotations are flexible.

Sunday Night Programming

On Sunday Nights in the fall, we have program practice the Christmas program for Kindergarten to 6th grade. These kids work hard memorizing lines, songs, motions, solos and acting parts. Volunteers can get involved in a number of ways, from helping behind the scenes with costuming and stage sets to being up front and leading motions and music. Spring Sunday night programming features various small group based curriculum.

Pier 5 6

In the spring, Pier 5 6 is where our 5th & 6th graders meet for a time of small groups on Sunday nights. The adult leaders in this ministry spend time with a small group of girls or boys investing their time in building relationships with these kids and helping them grow closer to Christ. If you have a heart to see kids anchor themselves to the Word of God and help keep them from drifting into the waves of this world, then this could be the ministry for you.

Special Events Ministry

Trip & Camp Sponsor

Throughout the year, we take a few trips including summer church camp, Junior Bash and SuperStart. Adult sponsors would get to travel with a group of kids for a period of anywhere from one to four days. These volunteers would get involved in the event and make sure that kids are safe and able to participate to the best of their ability.

Other Special Events

Other events throughout the year such as VBS, Trunk or Treat, Parents Night Out, or Mystery Destination Nights take extra adults to plan, advertise and lead these events. These events make it easy for people to invite friends who may not come to a regular Sunday morning service. You can volunteer at one or many of our special events. You may even have a great idea for a new event that you would like to lead.

Men's Ministry

Special Events

Adventure Ministry

Contact: Tom Swift 866-6591

This ministry for men of all ages uses adventures in creation to help point people to the creator.

Hiking, kayaking, camping and other outdoor activities are facilitated throughout the year.

Sign up to assist in the planning and organizing of this ministry.

Men's Group

Contact: Alan Lea 887-4019

This ministry meets on Friday mornings at 6:45 at the church for fellowship, study and accountability.

