



# Gifts of Time & Talent 2020

The mission of Augsburg Lutheran Church is to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.

The ministry teams of the congregation have identified three areas for focused growth in 2020. This year we encourage you to reflect on where your passion for ministry lies, and we pray that you will join us in support of these three initiatives and all of the ministries of the congregation:

**Equip Augsburg Disciples to Share God's Love Throughout the Community**

**Foster Deeper Faith Formation Opportunities Across All Generations**

**Embolden Our Proclamation of the Gospel for All to Experience**

Sharing your Gifts of Time and Talent is hugely important to the health, stability and growth of these ministries.

First, please confirm for us your best and current contact information:

First Name

Last Name

Mobile Phone  Preferred

Home Phone  Preferred

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Preferred Email Address

Street Address

City

State

ZIP

## Ministry Teams

Ministry Teams are where the congregations' visioning, planning, coordinating, and implementation takes place. These teams benefit from a broad cross section of disciples including those who are involved with the ministry tasks and activities, and those who are simply passionate about the ministry itself. We encourage you to select the Ministry area(s) that are important to you. (**\* Ministry Teams who really need some additional help!**)

**Christian Education\***

*(This Team is focused on faith formation for all ages and works with the Director of Faith Formation to encourage and coordinate all kinds of educational activities of the congregation.)*

**Evangelism\***

*(This Team encourages us all to share the gospel, to welcome the neighbor, and to find ways to build relationships throughout the community.)*

**Fellowship**

*(This Team nurtures the connections and events within the congregation that draw us in and strengthen ties among all ages through hospitality and caring.)*

**Finance**

*(This Team ensures the financial integrity of the congregation's resources through faithful facilitation, planning and review.)*

**Property**

*(This Team is focused on the care and maintenance of Augsburg's facilities.)*

**Social Ministry**

*(This Team is focused on the congregation's outreach in the local community and beyond through a variety of programs and initiatives.)*

**Stewardship\***

*(This Team encourages the congregation to share their gifts of time, talent and treasure to support the ministries of the congregation.)*

**Worship & Music**

*(This Team encourages us towards meaningful worship through planning and support of worship services including music ministries, working with the Pastoral Staff and the Cantor.)*

**Youth Ministry\***

*(This Team encourages youth to deeper faith formation through fellowship, relationship, education, reflection and service.)*

## New Opportunities and Needs

In addition to Ministry Teams flagged above who need help, there are several ministry opportunities deserving of a shout out. Some are ongoing ministries and others are new. We encourage you to read about these new initiatives on the insert and see how you can get involved. Then complete your Time and Talent form and return it to the church as soon as you can. Ministry Teams will be gearing up for 2020 in a few weeks so your prompt reply will really help.

**While any of these ministries would value your time, those marked with an asterisk \* have a significant, immediate need for new volunteers.**

**The following ministries are scheduled quarterly, so please sign up now to help with planning:**

- Lay Reader
- Communion Assistant\*
- Oblation Bearer
- Adult Crucifer
- Order of St. John-Youth:  
Crucifer, Acolyte, Torch Bearer,  
Banner Bearer
- Usher
- Communion Set-up/clean-up\*
- Altar Flower Delivery to Shut-ins
- Draw Cover Art for bulletin
- Greeter/Visitors Table Volunteer
- Nursery Volunteer
- Host Sunday Morning Fellowship  
Snack or Breakfast\*

**The following ministries have larger time commitments, but are rewarding experiences:**

- Adult Choirs\*
- Adult Handbell Choir
- Altar Guild
- Church Historian / Librarian
- Teach Sunday School
- Serve as Youth Advisor
- Stephen Ministry

**Special Emphasis**

- Lowrance Volunteer Opportunities
- Homeless Over-Flow Shelter  
Tasks include: Site Coordinator,  
Provide the meal, Guest Reception,  
To-Go Bags, Partial Overnight  
Volunteer. December 1-March 31.  
Check here, or sign up now on line.  
[signup.com/go/AugsburgOverflow](http://signup.com/go/AugsburgOverflow)

**Special Task Teams manage these ministry areas:**

- Columbarium
- Memorials
- Communications
- Office Technology
- Annual Financial Audit
- Augsburg Community Center
- Security Team\*
- Creation Care Team
- Office Assistants

**Sign up to help with these ongoing ministry areas:**

- Augsburg Prayer Circle
- First-time Visitor Correspondence
- College Ministries
- New Member Breakfast
- Shepherd New Members
- Writer / Editor / Proofreading
- Dedicate Flowers
- Dedicate Bulletins
- Dedicate Hymnals
- Funeral Choir
- Comfort Committee
- Keeping In Touch Ministry (KIT)
- Help make Service Recordings
- Medical Loan Closet
- Quilting Ministry
- Beacon Mailing Team
- Kitchen Crew
- Congregational Meal Prep, Serving,  
or Cleanup
- Host JOY Pastor's Tea
- Plan/Coordinate JOY Gatherings
- Augsburg Weeders

**Sign up to help with these once a year ministry activities:**

- Shepherd's Center Fellowship
- Lutheran World Relief
- Help with Children's Fairs
- Vacation Bible School
- Seder Meal
- Choir Appreciation Dinner
- Angel Tree
- Children's Christmas Program
- Chrismon Tree Team

**Indicate your willingness to help with occasional projects in these areas:**

- Work Days
- Property Maintenance: Light Carpentry, Painting, Plumbing
- Lawn & Gardens Care
- Inclement weather duties

**Two Bible Study options that are always welcoming new people:**

- Pastor's Bible Study
- Continue in my Word Bible Study

**Fellowship ministries for men and women that are always welcoming new people:**

- Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- Men's "Wings" Fellowship
- Women's Ministry Activities
- Augsburg Sports Teams
- Dinner for Six Dinner Club

**Play an instrument?**

- I play the following instrument and would be willing to share this talent.
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**Do you want to serve God through Augsburg's ministries, but aren't sure how?**

- Let us help you explore your gifts and find your passion for ministry at Augsburg. ***One of the Pastors will contact you to get started.***

*We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.*

Romans 8:28

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Together in faith  
we give and grow.

**Stewardship Appeal for 2019**

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