

Opportunities to Serve @ College Church

Sunday Morning Ministries

Worship Arts

The worship arts team plans and facilitates gathered worship services, contributing both music and the spoken Word to ensure Christ-centered worship for maximum congregational participation. The music team incorporates a wide variety of instruments, including vocalists, guitar, bass, drums/percussion, keys, strings and woodwinds.

Musicians, Contact: Haram Hwang, haram@thecollegechurch.org

Readers, Contact: Betsy Wassmann, betsywww@aol.com

Ushers

The ushers help to facilitate a safe, friendly, and well-supported worship service environment – offering hospitality, assistance, and fulfilling other duties related to the service.

Contact: Tom O'Donnell, thomasodonnell03@yahoo.com

Greeters

Greeters provide a warm and friendly first point of contact for people as they arrive on our campus for worship services and special events.

Contact: Deb Lusnia, deblusnia@aol.com

Connections

The Connections Table is the main venue for program, class and event information and registration. Connections Team Members assist people in finding onramps to community, spiritual growth and service opportunities.

Contact: Christine O'Donnell, christine@thecollegechurch.org

Guest Services

Guest Services provides welcome, information and assistance to visitors and newcomers at College Church.

Contact: Christine O'Donnell, christine@thecollegechurch.org

Tech Teams

Our tech teams manage audio, video, lighting and livestreaming

Contact: Melanie Lamere, melanie@thecollegechurch.org

Altar Prayer

The Altar Prayer Team provides one on one prayer support for attendees after each Sunday morning service.

Contact: Rick & Margaret Light, marglight@gmail.com

Children & Students

Nursery

Our nursery team provides quality and compassionate care for infants and toddlers during our Sunday morning services.

Contact: Stacy Wintsch, dswintsch@gmail.com

Sunday School

Our teachers help kids to encounter God's truth and understand how they fit into God's Big Story through teaching, play, art, video, music and more. Teachers team-teach and generally follow a schedule of one month on, two months off.

Contact: Deana Willems, deana@thecollegechurch.org

Middle School & High School Youth Group

Youth Group aims to help students develop a lifelong relationship with Jesus through His church. Volunteers build relationships with students that transcend the program, seeking to come alongside students as they journey from childhood to adulthood. Youth group meetings are active and conversation-conducive, giving volunteers opportunities to connect meaningfully with students both one on one and in groups.

Middle School - Contact: Pierre Willems, pdwillems@gmail.com

High School - Contact: Bill Hodgeman, bill@thecollegechurch.org

Community Life

Small Groups

Small Groups meet regularly in homes or at College Church and are our primary way of living out the gospel in community in the midst of our growing congregation. We currently have groups meeting in a variety of communities across the Pioneer Valley. New Small Groups are launched with the support of our Small Group Coordination Team.

Contact: smallgroups@thecollegechurch.org

GROW Experiences

GROW Experiences are classes, seminars, retreats and short-term small groups that help people to grow in their relationship with Jesus. GROW Experiences are developed in partnership with our GROW team. Please let us know if you have the gift teaching or a passion for making disciples.

Contact: Bill Hodgeman, bill@thecollegechurch.org

Roots and Go!

Roots and Go! are our two foundational discipleship courses that are offered every year. Roots is designed to help people become rooted in their relationship with Jesus, in Christian community and in God's Word. Go! is designed to help people understand what the Kingdom of God is all about and to identify the people and places God is sending them in His Name. These courses are led by teachers and table group facilitators.

Contact: Paul Sorrentino, pvsorrentino@gmail.com

Neighborhood / Outreach Ministries

GAP: Homeless Ministry

Each morning most of the local shelters require their residents to vacate their facilities by 7am. During the winter months many of these residents are cold and hungry and have nowhere to go. The GAP Program helps to address this “gap” by providing a warm space, a hot breakfast, and friendly faces. Volunteers prepare and serve breakfast, and help foster a welcoming, compassionate and supportive community for our guests. *November – April.*

Contact: Darleen Corbett, kenwoodwoman2@comcast.net

Straight Ahead: Ministry to Kids in Lock Up

Volunteers share the love of Christ with students in lock-up facilities throughout the region through friendship and Bible Study. For more information, visit www.straightahead.org.

Contact: Marc O’Neil, marc@straightahead.org

Circle of Care: Refugee Resettlement

As part of a community-wide effort, we provide a “Circle of Care” around a refugee family from the Democratic Republic of Congo. The Circle of Care may provide transportation, childcare, language training and other supports as our family adapts to a new culture.

Contact: Dollene Targen, dolleneanderic@yahoo.com

Grace House

The Grace House (Northampton) is a residential treatment program for mothers in recovery. In recent years, many women and children from the Grace House have made College Church their spiritual home. We have also provided transportation to church, friendship, mentoring and discipleship, Christmas Gifts, celebrations, and other practical helps as needs arise.

Contact: Deana Willems, deana@thecollegechurch.org

Springfield Rescue Mission

The Springfield Rescue Missions meets the physical and spiritual needs of the hungry, homeless, addicted, and poor by introducing them to Christ and helping them apply the Word of God to every area of their lives. Volunteers assist with food service, meal distribution, food and supply drives and other services. Learn more at www.springfieldrescuemission.org

Contact: Lenore Brooks, lbrooks@springfieldrescuemission.org

Highview Nursing Home Ministry

College Church sponsors a Protestant Service for residents at Highview nursing home (222 River Rd., Leeds, MA) on the 3rd Friday of every month at 2:30 p.m. There are additional opportunities to serve the residents and staff as a volunteer.

Contact: Pam Dissinger, 413-586-2259, dddiss@aol.com

Behind the Scenes

Facilities

Our facilities team manages the buildings and grounds that make up our campus. Volunteers repair and maintain the facility, organize fall and spring work days, prioritize and execute improvements and oversee the custodial team.

Contact: Ken Strong, klstrong@comcast.net

Campus Development & Nature Trails

A team is working to develop the lower half of the property into multi-purpose space to serve our congregation and community. This includes the development of athletic fields, nature trails, and other recreation spaces.

Contact: Bob Goss, hillwoodfarm@yahoo.com

Garden Team

The Garden Team plans, develops and maintains the gardens on our campus, helping to provide places of beauty and rest for our congregation and neighbors to enjoy.

Contact: Susan Lucey, dslouie29@gmail.com

Wednesday Night Prayer

Join others to lift up College Church: its leaders, ministries, people and neighbors. This group meets in Room 9, just inside the lower entrance to the main building, every Wednesday from 5-6pm.

Contact: Cathie McCoy, kasuma724@aol.com

Library Team

The Library Team provides quality books and other resources for the congregation.

Contact: Dave Rittner, dgrittner@charter.net

Helping Hands

Helping Hands, managed by the deacons, mobilizes individuals to provide practical help for people in need, such as: meals, child care, transportation, house repairs, yard work and help managing finances. Contact the deacons if you are able to assist. A Helping Hands Survey is conducted each November.

Contact: Fran Fern, franadmincc@gmail.com

Visitation Team

The Visitation team, managed by the deacons, mobilizes individuals to visit those who are homebound, hospitalized, rehabilitating, or recuperating at home.

Contact: Nancy Young, bryce2moab@gmail.com

Design Team

The Design Team works to improve the overall look and feel of our church campus, helping to make our environments more hospitable, functional and beautiful. If you have an eye for design, photography, or simply the ability and willingness to help put up a fresh coat of paint, let us know!

Contact: Melanie Lamere, melanie@thecollegechurch.org