

COMPOSITION OF CONGREGATION COMMITTEES

The teams are comprised of staff, Council members, the pastor, and other congregation members.

ADULT EDUCATION TEAM

Adult Education nurtures key faith practices as people of all ages grow in their desire and commitment to follow Christ. Paul says in Romans 2:12: “Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discover what is the will of God.” Trinity provides classroom opportunities and study programs to deepen the knowledge of God’s Word and to strengthen the practice of Christ’s example towards humankind.

EVANGELISM TEAM

The Evangelism Team encourages all members of the congregation to: invite visitors to church, offer hospitality and welcome guests, provide opportunities for guests to learn about the faith and mission of our congregation, and aid visitors in becoming members if they so choose. Specific responsibilities of the Evangelism Team include: (1) personally following up with all guests; (2) coordinating annual new member orientations about the Lutheran faith and our mission; (3) hosting new member receptions; (4) providing sponsors/mentors for new members to integrate them into the congregation; and (5) encouraging new members to become personally involved in the mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church by sharing their time, abilities and financial resources.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP TEAM

The Fellowship Team plans and implements activities which bring adults together for fun, fellowship and the building of relationships.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Pastoral Care is the ministry of providing support to members of the church and wider community. The Team helps others experience the reality of God’s presence and love in their lives, especially during times of joy, illness, crisis, loss, or other significant transitions. This help may include sharing devotions and the Eucharist with shut-ins and those in care facilities, providing transportation to church activities, coordinating meals for those in need, and providing spiritual care when needed.

PROPERTY TEAM

The Property Team is primarily responsible for the physical building and grounds, including electrical, plumbing, locks, window/door repair, carpentry work, and general maintenance work. The team also coordinates lawn care and snow removal, organizes fall and spring cleanup days, and coordinates with the church custodian regarding building, plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling problems.

SOCIAL MINISTRY TEAM

The Social Ministry Team’s function is to create opportunities for the congregation to serve the least among us in the community and in the world. The team organizes projects and recruits the involvement of as many Trinity members as possible. Projects may include free clothing giveaways, CROP Walk, partnering with a House of Compassion family, the Christmas Angel Tree gift program, and Outreach International food packaging.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE TEAM

The Stewardship and Finance Team monitors the financial health of the congregation. The team presents an annual budget to the Council for approval, reviews the monthly giving as it compares to the budget, and communicates with the congregation as appropriate.

WORSHIP TEAM

The Worship and Music Team provides and coordinates meaningful worship opportunities for the congregation to gather as a community to praise God, hear the Word, and receive the Sacraments. The primary worship resource is the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal. The team also provides a variety

of liturgies and music. Specific responsibilities of the Worship Team include: (1) supporting the music director in leadership of the Adult Choir and Bell Choir; (2) planning for Sunday and seasonal services; (3) recruiting worship assistants and people to run the sound/projection system; and (4) supporting the Altar Guild.

YOUTH EDUCATION TEAM

Trinity's two-year confirmation ministry is a fun-filled experience of learning about our faith! Our emphasis is solidly based on the Small Catechism and building strong relationships.

7th and 8th graders meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-8:15 PM during the school year. Each Wednesday combines interactive learning sessions led by Pastor with other small group leaders engaging the students in dynamic conversation, activities, and skits to reinforce the evening's theme.

Servant and Service are also a cornerstone of our confirmation ministry. Confirmation youth also assist in worship as acolytes.

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

The Youth Ministry Team, together with the Youth director, organizes and implements activities for students in 3rd grade through college. The team oversees the breakfast team; plans and organizes receptions; promotes summer camping opportunities at ELCA bible camps; fundraises when needed; and various other responsibilities as directed by the Pastor.