



**Trinity  
Lutheran**

# **Ministry Action Teams 2019-2020**



**Kid's  
Kingdom  
Nursery**



**Better Homes for Appalachia**



**Ushers**

# Ministry Action Teams and Opportunities

## **What are ministry action teams?**

Ministry Action Teams are groups of members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church and School that work to carry out the mission and ministries of Trinity. These teams form around specific events, activities and services and become the primary drivers to get those goals accomplished.

## **What kinds of things are being done?**

Each team is comprised of a leader and group of volunteers. They may form because someone has a heart for a particular ministry, such as our Community of Needs meals, or they may form at the request of a pastor or the principal. Many of these groups are involved in making our worship services go smoothly, groups such as altar guild, soundboard operators, ushers, greeters, choir, praise band, and candle fillers. Many support the school, such as the Boosters Club. Ministry Action Teams typically fall under one of these categories: Member Support, Missions and Outreach, School Support, and Worship Support.

## **How does the program work?**

The teams are approved and cheered on by the Administrative Team (pastors, principal, finance manager and administrative assistant) so that this vital work is aligned with our congregation's core values and the ministry plan for each year. Leaders are asked to complete a form in January that lists activities from the previous year, plans for the current year, and special requests for funding, meeting space, promotional materials and/or additional volunteers.

For more information about the Ministry Action Team program,  
how to join one or how to start one, please contact:

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# **Listing of Ministry Action Teams Currently Available at Trinity Lutheran**

## **MEMBER SUPPORT**

### **Bulk Mailing Helpers**

Team Leader: Jane Lemke - 734.241.0639

This group helps prepare bulk mailings on an as needed basis.

### **Care and Keeping**

Team Leader: Scott Stadler - 734.242.2192

This team contacts the congregational members that have shown a marked gap in attendance of worship. This team further shows care and concern for fellow members, builds relationships, offers prayer, and provides referral to the Pastor if additional help is needed.

### **Cemetery Team**

Team Leader: Gary Sachs – 734.552.7777

This group manages and maintains the Trinity Cemetery and recommends improvements.

### **Christmas Decorating Team**

Team Leader: Erin Downen – 734.915.1857

This group decorates the church for the Christmas season.

### **Church Cleaners**

Team Leader: Kim Tuttle – 313.300.5044

This volunteer group consists of three teams that take turns cleaning the church each week.

### **Church Office Helpers**

Team Leader: Karen DeSloover – 734.242.2308

This volunteer group helps with various tasks in the church office.

### **Dinner Angels**

Team Leader: Karen Brown -734.344.7150

This team will provide dinner on a short-term basis to members in need due to illness, injury or surgery. Team members will be responsible, occasionally, for one meal a week.

### **DVD Ministry**

Team Leader: Mark Menzel - 734.770.0125

This team delivers worship service recordings and bulletins to shut-ins and nursing home residents.

### **Endowment Committee**

Team Leader: Hal Eighmey - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This group seeks to meet a variety of needs by providing money generated by the Endowment Fund. Recommendations are made to the voters' assembly in accordance with the purpose set out in the congregation's Constitution.

### **Event Planning Team**

Team Leaders: Tiffany Seibert - 734.652.2926, Deb Sieb - 734.845.7319

The members of this group are available to help any group at Trinity with event planning. They have knowledge of Trinity processes, preferred vendors and helpful hints. Generally, one member from this team will work with the group who is holding the event.

### **Facilities Maintenance Team**

Team Leader: Tim Grove -734.799.7245

This group performs various maintenance and repair tasks around the Trinity facility.

### **Family Time with Jesus**

Team Leader: Katie Potts - 636.221.7577

This is an opportunity for families of young children to come together to support, encourage, and assist one another as they instruct their children in the faith. This time is designed for families with toddler and preschool age children.

### **Fellowship Time**

Team Leader: Karen Brown - 734.344.7150

This team schedules groups to provide beverages and snacks for Fellowship Time between church services on Sunday mornings.

### **Live and Give - with Confidence**

Team Leader: Deborah Saul – 734.755.2829, deborahsaul116@gmail.com

Getting a grip on our money – that is, household income and resources -- is all about empowerment. With a little knowledge we can make choices that free us to be in control and comfortable and generous to the people and things that mean the most to us. This team helps identify financial lessons and inspiration for Trinity's congregation, parents, staff and leadership.

### **Men's Fellowship**

Team Leader: Larry Swiontoniowski – 734.241.1654

This team plans events that allow the men and boys of our congregation and their friends to join together in fellowship.

### **Offering Counters**

Team Leader: Myrna Meek – 734.241.5021/Marge Eighmey – 734.242.4017

This volunteer group consists of two teams that take turns counting the weekly offering, preparing the bank deposit and taking the deposit to the bank.

### **Prayer Chain**

Team Leaders: Judy Beeker – 734.242.8647, Sherry Thom – 734.242.4756

This team consists of a group that will pray for urgent needs.

### **Security Team**

Team Leader: Steve McAuliffe – 734.457.0140

This team is developing plans to provide security during worship services and other church events.

### **Sunday Morning Coffee Team**

Team Leader: Linda Weilnau - 734.384.7094

This team makes coffee for Sunday morning Fellowship.

### **SWAT (Spontaneous Work at Trinity)**

Team Leaders: Deborah Saul – 734.755.2829 and Renea Bunkelman – 734.242.3359

The purpose of this group is to provide help to any member of Trinity who has a temporary or unexpected need.

### **Thrivent Connect**

Team Leader: Cheryl Everett -734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Trinity members who belong to Thrivent have the opportunity to direct funds to Trinity Church. This group meets periodically (when funds are available) to recommend how these funds are to be used.

## **MISSIONS AND OUTREACH**

### **Better Homes for Appalachia**

Team Leader: Pastor Daniel Potts - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Each year, a team of youth members from Trinity participate in this event to share the love of God and to help the residents of Appalachia by completing small construction projects.

### **Braille Work Center #203**

Team Leader: Kevin Weilnau - 734.735.8173

This group meets each Saturday morning (except during the summer) to produce portions of the Bible in Braille. Six people are needed for each work session to operate the various stations. Once the books are complete, the Pastors pray over the Bibles during the weekly worship services and then they are sent on their way to be a blessing to a visually impaired person.

### **Community of Needs Meals / Trinity Family Meal**

Team Leaders: John Krug - 734.693.4588 and Ashley Prewitt – 734.790.6958

This team serves a meal each Sunday evening to those in need with the help of a different group of volunteers each week. Ashley and team will help plan the menu, shop for the items needed, and provide guidance before, during, and after the meal to the individuals serving the meal that week.

### **Deinzer Committee**

Team Leader: Rich Rousselo - 734.474.5210

This team reviews applications for assistance from the Lucille B. Deinzer Trust Fund for food, clothing, and medical bills and makes recommendations to the Senior Pastor for support in accord with the Trust's guidelines.

### **Funeral Lunches**

Team Leader: Darwin and Cindy Hect – 734.241.0965/734.636.4110/Linda Herrera – 734.242.3595

This team supports Trinity's mission by offering families a hot, tasty meal and showing them the love and comfort of Jesus. Volunteers can either help prepare/serve the meal or donate salads and desserts.

## **Jail Ministry**

Team Leader: John Krug - 734.693.7065

This team shares the love and Word of God each week as they visit prisoners in our local detention center and jail. They hold Bible class, distribute Bibles, and pray with and for the inmates.

## **King's Table**

Team Leader: Cheryl Everett - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This group meets weekly to share a meal and develop friendships with members of the community with the goal of discussing and tackling problems/challenges faced by people in the community.

## **Ladies Aid**

Team Leader: Marge French, President - 734.244.4551

Ladies Aid seeks to develop and maintain greater Christian love among members of the congregation, promote Christian fellowship and give financial assistance to the congregation and support select mission projects. They meet on the second Thursday of the month from September to May.

## **Lutheran Women's Missionary League**

Team Leader: Susan Gruber - 734.625.5644

The LWML's goal is to further Christ's mission to the world. This is accomplished by the contributions of its members through Mite Box offerings. The Michigan District supports its programs with 75% of the Mite Box offerings and 25% is given towards national LWML projects.

## **Malotky Mission**

Team Leader: Rich Huger - 734.289.1214

This team meets once or twice a month to plan quarterly projects. They encourage people to be involved in mission work in our community and around the world by raising funds and offering opportunities for outreach to the spiritually lost. If you have ideas for a mission contact a member of this team.

## **Media Ministry**

Team Leader: Patrick Mullin - 734.777.1293 and Howard Wellhousen - 734.625.2793

The function of this team is to provide recordings of our weekly worship services. Volunteers record, edit and make DVDs, TV media and web media. The recording is available on Trinity's FaceBook page, is distributed to shut-ins, and sent to M-PACT - Monroe's local public access television station.

## **Prayer Shawls**

Team Leader: Marge French - 734.244.4551

Members of this team meet to knit or crochet "prayer shawls" that are available to members of Trinity to give to anyone they know who is struggling and needs a "hug from God." The shawls are prayed over while being made and are blessed in a church service when complete.

## **Servant Hearts for Los Limones**

Team Leader: Pat Grove – 734.799.7245

The purpose of this team is to help the people of Los Limones come to faith in our Savior Jesus Christ and become spiritually and physically healthier. This team is currently working on projects to raise funding to help the Los Limones families build a church and to provide seeds and training so they can raise food to better provide for their families. Mission trip to Los Limones: 2019.

## **Stephen Ministry**

Team Leader: Dave Bork - 734.242.5667/734.344.4593

This team has received training that allows them to come alongside of a grieving person or an individual going through a difficult life situation and to provide Christian care. Stephen Ministers are available to members of Trinity and to others in the community who may have a need.

## **Volunteer Coordinators**

Team Leaders: Val Parron - 734.652.3143 and Cathy Toburen - 734.693.3577

These volunteers assist in matching up volunteers and teams. They also support volunteer teams in any way that they can.

# **SCHOOL SUPPORT**

## **Golf Outing**

Team Leader: Sarah Hooten -770.3875

This team plans the annual golf outing fundraiser to support the Trinity Scholarship Fund.

## **Moms-Time Out**

Team Leader: Nancy Gross - 734.241.1160 (School Office)

Being a mom is a most important role. The monthly Moms-Time Out meetings allow the opportunity to build adult, Christian relationships that support raising children. Time is spent in God's word, fellowship, and crafts. All moms are welcome to take an adult break each month for a couple of hours.



### **School Athletic Coaches**

Team Leader: Jim Bunkelman - 241.1160 (School Office)

These coaches volunteer their time to coach our various Trinity athletic teams.

### **School Cafeteria Helpers**

Team Leader: Cindy Lucas - 241.1160 (School Office)

These volunteers assist in serving the school lunch and cleaning up afterward.

### **School Library Helpers**

Team Leader: Cindy Lucas - 241.1160 (School Office)

These volunteers assist in operating our school library.

### **School Track Team Helpers**

Team Leader: John Boldt - 241.1160 (School Office)

These volunteers assist with track practice and with the Trinity track meet.

### **TLS Boosters**

Team Leader: 734.241.1160 (School Office)

This team supports the school by hosting family fellowship events, supporting schoolwide activities, and providing fundraising opportunities to raise support for school needs.

### **Trinity Alumni Group (TAG)**

Team Leader: 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This group supports past, present and future Trinity Lutheran School families and alumni.

## **WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAMS**

### **Altar Guild**

Team Leader: Marilyn Evans - 734.457.2639

These volunteers prepare the sanctuary for worship by displaying the appropriate altar vestments and preparing supplies necessary for communion.

## **Altar Flowers**

Team Leader: Karen Brown/Linda Freiny - 344.7150/242.1036

These volunteers are coordinating the providing of fresh flowers for the altar as part of our 175th anniversary celebration.

## **Candle Fillers**

Team Leader: Laura Strube - 734.457.0982

This group works in teams that can be made up of family members or a group of friends. Each team takes a turn filling the oil candles in the church and chapel once a week for a month at a time. Each team usually serves two months out of the year.

## **Choir**

Team Leader: Mary Holtzen - 734.770.6374

The purpose of this group is to provide special choral music to enhance the worship experience for the congregation. Practices are held on Tuesday evenings (excluding the summer months). All are welcome!

## **Greeters**

Team Leaders: Barb Wolfenbarger/Jane Lemke - 734.243.6314/734.241.0639

These volunteers are a welcoming presence to all who come to worship. To be a part of this team, members should be knowledgeable about our facilities and the various ways people can get involved at Trinity.

## **Kid's Kingdom**

Team Leader: Tiffany Seibert – 734.652.2926

This team provides a lesson for children age 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade during 11 o'clock worship.

## **Kid's Kingdom Nursery**

Team Leader: Tiffany Seibert – 734.652.2926

This group provides childcare to children under 3 during our 11 o'clock worship service.

## **Power Point Team**

Team Leader: Lori Kirk – 734.384.4474

The volunteers from this group run the power point during worship services, helping to lead the congregation through the elements of the service. Training is available. Volunteers will generally be scheduled for one service once or twice a month.

### **Praise Band**

Team Leader: Nick Forsythe – 734.755.5767

This group regularly leads the music for our contemporary worship services.

### **Sound Board**

Team Leader: Morris Leonard - 734.586.8223

Trained operators run the sound board, thereby, regulating sound for all worship services.

### **Ushers**

Team Leader: Mike Strube - 734.457.0982

Teams of ushers serve at each service. The ushers assist with the flow of worship. They also greet and help people find seats as well as helping visitors navigate the facilities.

*"It is more fun serving our great Lord  
than anyone could imagine."*

*-Jacky Nietubicz*