



LONG'S CHAPEL *SERVE* MINISTRIES

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To Serve within the church is about more than "just" volunteering. It's about making a difference in the lives of others while also experiencing the fulfillment of serving from your unique gifts, abilities, and experience. It's being the hands and feet of Jesus, bringing us together to form a welcoming and supportive community that expresses God's love through what we each have been given to offer the world around us.

If you're not yet sure what you have to offer, we'd love to begin that conversation with you. We hope you prayerfully read through this booklet to learn more about our Serve opportunities.

Feel free TO reach out to the contact person listed with each serve ministry, or you can contact Laura Greer at SERVE@LongsChapel.com to start a conversation about where you may feel led to *SERVE*.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

Long's Chapel Congregational Care team offers loving support and healing to all in our church family experiencing a time of need. This committed team provides timely and sympathetic care and comfort to members, their families, and friends.

For congregational care needs during regular church office hours (Mon.-Thurs., 8:30 am-5:00 pm), please contact Rev. Betsy Caudill at 828-456-3993, Ext. 202. Outside office hours and for emergencies, please call 828-476-4705 (or you may call the church at 828-456-3993, Ext. 301) for the Pastor on Call. If your call is not answered immediately, please leave a message and one of our pastors will return your call as soon as possible.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS & HOSPITALITY

The First Impressions & Hospitality Team exists to convey the radical hospitality and love of Jesus to everyone. You may never know the profound difference a simple smile and greeting can make in someone's life. We're here to ensure there are plenty of opportunities to make that kind of difference in the lives of others.

- **Sunday Morning and Special Event Greeters** are needed to welcome our congregation and visitors warmly. Volunteering in this role may include holding welcome signs, opening doors, handing out items related to the service/event, helping people find seating, cleaning up items left after services, and assisting with communion distribution, all while providing a warm and friendly greeting.
- **Sunday Morning Café attendants** help set up the Café, brew and monitor coffee and snack levels, assist with special Sunday celebrations, and more.
- **Funeral Ushers:** Occasionally, Long's Chapel hosts funeral or memorial services that require the assistance of volunteers to greet, hand out bulletins, and assist the officiating pastor and/or worship leader with setup needs, such as designating family seating, lighting candles, etc.
- **Acts 2:42 Wednesday Evening Meal Volunteers:** Get plugged into this vital ministry as a cashier, food prep assistant, server, or cleanup crew.

Training is provided. Contact Laura Greer, Coordinator of First Impressions & Hospitality, at 828.456.3993 Ext. 204, or Serve@LongsChapel.com.

WELCOME DESK RECEPTIONISTS

Do you have the gift of hospitality? Do you enjoy helping others? Do you pay attention to details? We are looking for volunteers to *SERVE* as Welcome Desk Receptionists for a shift twice a month. Training provided; blessings are free! Daily duties may include routing church calls appropriately, perform clerical duties for office and ministry staff and church members as needed, taking mail to the post office, and assisting the public in answering questions. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity to serve, please contact Lynn Carpenter, Office Manager, at 828.456.3993, Ext. 102, Lynn.Carpenter@LongsChapel.com, or leave your information on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center desk.



If you want to get plugged into nurturing the smallest of hearts, *LCKids* is the place for you! Ways you can get involved include:

LCKids GROW Group | Grow groups are a time for kiddos to explore their faith and fellowship with peers at an age-appropriate level. Lessons are video-based, discussion questions are provided, and crafts and activities are prepared. We need both teachers and helpers for these groups.

Nursery | Volunteers are needed in the church nursery during worship services to help provide care for toddlers and infants.

Registration Greeters | These volunteers help with Sunday morning check-in and walk families to classrooms as needed.

Vacation Bible School | Volunteers will be needed for help with photography, registration and check-in, decorating the spaces, leading and supporting activities (snack, main assembly, music, recreation, crafts, drama, and science), leading groups, and set up/tear down.

Summer Camps | Volunteers are needed to shepherd groups, support activity leaders, and engage with kiddos! Additional volunteers are needed to help lead activity stations, help with set up, decoration, check-in and registration, and snack.

Seasonal Events | *LCKids* hosts various seasonal events that would be a great one-time opportunity for volunteers. For each event, volunteers are needed for setting up/tear down, photography, decorating, leading activities, snacks, food prep/service, and floaters for general supervision. .

VOLUNTEERS WITH LCKIDS MUST PASS A BACKGROUND CHECK AND COMPLETE SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING.

Contact Ray Hausler, Pastor of Next Generation, at Ray.Hausler@LongsChapel.com or call 828.456.3993 Ext. 205.



Churches with thriving youth ministries are ALL IN for the young people, not just in the church but also in the community. Serving with *LCStudents* allows you to be present and be predictable in the life of the rising generation.

We are looking for adults who can show up to let students know Long's Chapel is a place they can belong, a place they can be loved, and a place they can experience the love of God. Our students need your presence Sunday Night LIFE Groups (6:00-7:30 pm, Sundays), and in MIDWEEK (6:00-7:30 pm, Wednesdays). We are also looking for people who will go out into the world and serve with our students on mission trips, youth events, and for fun.

Volunteers can *SERVE* as Small Group Leaders in each of the gatherings. Small Group Leaders lead students in conversations about the day's topic (curriculum provided). We regularly need bus drivers. Furthermore, we need volunteers who will be present in the room with other adult volunteers to make sure we are Safe Sanctuary approved.

Contact Ray Hausler, Pastor of Next Generation, at 828.456.3993, Ext. 205 or Ray.Hausler@LongsChapel.com.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAMS

Weekly Prayer Team: Would you be interested in serving on the weekly prayer team? Are you willing to serve God and others by lifting up prayers of intercession for those in need of prayer? Can you keep strict confidence? Each week, Pastor Betsy sends the Weekly Prayer Team an e-mail of the week's list of confidential prayer requests. Then the team meets, if possible, on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in Room #230 to pray together for the people on the list and for the prayer requests from the Connect Cards filled out each Sunday. (Or you could pray through the lists from your home.)

Funeral Meal Prep: We are always looking for servants to prepare meals for the families during a funeral.

Family Loss Meal Prep: Often families suffer losses of various kinds. Meals are a tangible way to show God's love to people in difficult times.

TECHNOLOGY

SALT (Sound and Light Team):

We are looking for folks that think tech stuff is fun and are willing to learn. We provide the equipment, the training, and the opportunity to be a part of this dedicated group of servants who provide the technical support for our Sanctuary worship. Contact Caroline Merrell, Director of Worship and Music, at 828.456.3993, Ext. 300, or Worship@LongsChapel.com

Live-Stream Ministry: Did you know that people in 46 states and 6 foreign countries have watched Long's Chapel services online? We also have had as many as 2200 viewers of a single service! This is possible because of a team of volunteers who have a heart for reaching others. Training is provided, and there are several opportunities to serve. Contact Joey Webb, Director of Digital Discipleship, at 828.456.3993, Ext. 208, or Joey.Webb@LongsChapel.com

HEALTH & WELLNESS

MINISTRY

This ministry promotes health and wellness and believes that harmony for our bodies, minds, and spirits leads to wholeness. The ministry is led by the Faith Community Nurse and offers a variety of health education activities, programs, and resources for all ages and lifespans, including:

- Wellness Programs and Educational Offerings
- Resource Coordination for Congregational and Community Needs
- Emergency Medical Response on campus

Many hands and hearts are needed for the Health and Wellness Ministry. Ways to *SERVE* include:

- Facilitate classes, support groups, and events
- Assist with transportation, meals, etc.
- Assist with health advocacy, liaison support, and screening events

Volunteer opportunities are available for those with or without experience in health care, social work, mental health, and more. If you are willing to serve, we have a place for you! Contact our Faith Community Nurse, Cynthia Warner, at parish.nurse.cynthia@gmail.com for more information.

CONTEMPORARY & TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Handbell and Chime Orchestra: Do you love the clear sound of bells ringing in perfect harmony? Our handbell and chime orchestra might be the perfect fit for you. This is a wonderfully unique way to explore your musical curiosity.

Chancel Choir: Our choral team provides the vocal worship leadership for the Traditional service and seasonal worship offerings.

Orchestra: We are looking for instrumentalists interested in creating an orchestra to play quarterly for our Traditional service and seasonal worship expressions.

Praise Team: Leads worship for our Contemporary worship experience. We are looking for band members and singers with a musical skill set that fits a more contemporary/classic rock sound. All ages are welcome.

Skit Production: If you are a writer, an actor, a skit writer, or just have the desire to see more of this in worship, this is a great group for you!

Worship Space Design: This is the team responsible for setting up the stage design of the chancel area.

Communion Servers, Stewards, and Preparers: To resume our regular communion schedule, we need volunteers who are willing to serve communion and assist servers with communion preparation.

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MODERN WORSHIP

The Modern Worship Band: We are always looking to welcome new guitarists, bassists, keyboardists, and percussionists.

The Modern Worship Technology Crew: This team is responsible for creating an atmosphere of pleasing graphics, sounds, and lighting through the new state-of-the-art technology in the Long's Chapel Community Room. We are always looking for ProPresenter Engineers, Sound Operators, and Lighting Directors. No experience is required. All you need is a willing heart to learn; we will teach you the technology!

Contact Chance Kuehn, Director of Modern Worship, at Modern@Longschapel.com to volunteer and learn more.