



Following, you will find descriptions of the many ministries at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. It is our hope that each of us will become involved in ministries through which we can share both our time and talents. Training and support are provided for every ministry.

TO USE THIS BOOKLET

Look Through the Pages

to see the many opportunities to use your gifts in the life and work of the church here at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Fill out the Commitment Form

to indicate where you can serve. One form per person.

Also, available online – **[oursaviorsbeloitwi.org\time](https://oursaviorsbeloitwi.org/time)**

WORSHIP

Acolyte (Pastor)

An acolyte is anyone, 4th grader through adult, who lights the altar candles for worship.

Altar Guild (Russ Albert)

This ministry changes and maintains altar paraments, linens, and banners, cares for communion linens and vestments, and helps maintain the pews, including stocking pew envelopes.

Assisting Minister (Jean Lincoln)

This ministry is available to any person who has affirmed his/her baptism. The assisting minister assists with worship service and distributing Holy Communion.

AV Assistant (back-up) (Valerie Dusso)

This assistant ensures that all worship assistants have microphones prior to the worship service, monitors the sound levels and runs the livestream during the service, as well as recording the service.

Choir (Cheryl Licary)

This choir is comprised of those in 6th grade through adults, who provide special music during worship. Rehearsals are held before the service 3-4 times per month. Seasonal singers are welcome.

Communion Assistant (Jean Lincoln)

Assist the presiding and assisting ministers with the distribution of wine and bread during Holy Communion.

Communion Preparation (Jean Lincoln)

Prior to worship, prepare the altar with communion vessels, linens, bread, and wine. Following worship, they return items to the sacristy and dispose of the remaining bread and wine.

Greeter (Jean Lincoln)

Welcoming worshippers as they enter the Commons, assisting with name tags, and guiding them to the sanctuary are all part of expressing hospitality. A great ministry for a family.

Handbell/Chimes (Cheryl Licary)

Provide seasonal special music to enhance worship services. Youth and adults welcome. Rehearsals are scheduled as needed.

Instrumentalist (Cheryl Licary)

Musicians of all ages (brass, woodwinds, strings, percussion, and piano) are needed for solos or groups. Rehearsals are scheduled as needed. Please list your instrument on the commitment form.

Lector (Jean Lincoln)

During worship services, lectors read the assigned scripture passages for the day.

Seasonal Decorating (Russ Albert)

Assist in decorating the church for various liturgical seasons; Advent, Christmas, Easter, and festival seasons.

Usher (Jean Lincoln)

Ushers welcome worshippers, distribute bulletins, assist with seating and special needs, collect offering, and count attendance.

EDUCATION

Education Team (Sue Schimke)

Help to plan and oversee the learning opportunities for our congregation, including Vacation Bible School, Kids Connect, Youth Connect, confirmation, and adult education.

Confirmation (Pastor)

All youth 6th grade and up are invited to classes led by the pastor to deepen their faith and understanding of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). What does it mean to live a life of faith and service as a Lutheran/Christian in daily life?

Confirmation Mentors (Pastor)

An active adult church member who walks alongside a confirmand to guide, support, and share their faith journey. Mentors provide encouragement, a welcoming presence, and help students feel connected to the Our Savior's community.

Kids Connect (Sue Schimke)

Children will learn about God's love while exploring, stories, crafts, music, and games. Kids Connect is for children pre-k through 5th grade and is offered Sunday morning from 10:15 am–11:00 am.

Youth Connect (Sue Schimke)

All students in grades 6–12 are invited to join *Youth Connect*, a space to explore what it means to follow Jesus in our everyday lives. Youth Connect meets on Sunday mornings at 10:15 am.

Vacation Bible School (Sue Schimke)

Help reach out to our neighborhood children by volunteering to teach, prepare snacks, lead music, or lend an organizational hand to our VBS program.

OUTREACH & COMMUNICATION

Bread Delivery (Valerie Dusso)

Deliver a loaf of bread to the home of a visitor. If the person is home, share a word of thanks for worshiping with us.

Church in Society (Pastor)

Gather and provide information to church members about social issues and volunteer opportunities in the community and world.

Evangelism/Outreach (Pastor)

Sharing the good news of God's grace and love by connecting the faith of the congregation with the practical, physical, and social needs of our neighbors through hospitality, compassion, justice, and service.

New Member Sponsor (Pastor)

Be among those who intentionally work to acquaint new members with our congregation and to help integrate them into the life of our church family.

Photographer (Valerie Dusso)

Strengthen our communication efforts by serving as a photographer at congregational events.

CARING

Caring Committee (Wanda Faust)

Join our care team to support those in need. Volunteers provide a caring presence, serve as prayer partners, and bring Holy Communion to the homebound.

Prayer Chain (Valerie Dusso)

Be a part of the prayer team that prays privately, daily, and confidentially for specific prayer requests that are submitted through the worship cards or through our website.

PROPERTY & FACILITY

Property Committee (Steve Christensen)

Be a part of a team that helps keep the building and grounds in tip-top shape. All talents and interests are needed!

Office Volunteer (Valerie Dusso)

Support our staff on an as-needed basis. Occasional assistance with special projects, newsletter assembly, mailing prep, etc.

Worker (Valerie Dusso)

Individuals available for occasional moderate or heavy lifting. Assist with table setup and teardown for special events.

FELLOWSHIP

Coffee Hour Host (Lorie Becker)

Team up with a friend and host coffee hour. Duties include making coffee, providing light refreshments, and cleaning up. Minimal commitment, based on your availability.

Fellowship Team (Lorie Becker)

Plan and host social events to help people connect and build a warm church community.

Young @ Heart (Jean Lincoln)

This group of 55+ adults meets monthly for a meal, fellowship and special activities; speakers, games, crafts, etc. All are welcome!

FINANCE

Audit Team (Pastor)

The audit team conducts an annual audit of the financial status of the congregation, usually completed within the 3rd quarter of the following year.

Finance Team (Joanna Waxler)

Be a part of the team that supports budget planning, implements audit recommendations, and provides guidance for long- and short-term financial planning.

Offering Counter (Joanna Waxler)

Each person will be trained and put into a team on a set rotation. Offerings are counted immediately following worship. Best practices dictate that spouses or family members do not count together.

Stewardship Team (Pastor)

Helps members recognize their time, talents, and resources as gifts from God to support God's mission. The team provides stewardship education, gathers and tracks Time and Talent responses, and leads an annual stewardship campaign encouraging members to grow in and commit more fully to the ministry of the church.

WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America)

Circles (Pat Brogan)

Circles offer fellowship, bible study, and mission work for women of all ages. Meet at church, homes, or restaurants to fit any schedule.

Funeral Luncheon (Jean Lincoln)

Help grieving families by assisting with funeral luncheons.

Sewing Bee (Lynette Rust/Mary Lou Lokken)

Create and tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief. No sewing skills are required. Tasks include cutting fabric, ironing, and organizing. Come for the fellowship, meets Monday morning in the Fellowship Hall.

Knit Wits (Deanna Feuerstein)

This group knits and crochets prayer shawls, that are blessed and given to those in need of a reminder of Christ's presence. Knit Wits currently meets in homes of members but can also meet at church.



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Sunday mornings at 9:30 am

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