



# SPIRITUAL GIFTS I'D LIKE TO SHARE AT GRACE

*"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." 1 Peter 4:10*

## Ministry Descriptions

### Adult Ministries participation

#### Attend Bible studies:

--**Sunday 10:15 am:** Led by Chuck Swanson, Grace member.

--**Pastors' Thursday Bible studies** (as scheduled; usually 3-4 consecutive weeks, 1 hour long)

#### --Women's Circles:

--**Martha Circle:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. monthly, 7pm in homes.

--**Faith Circle:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. monthly, 10am at church.

--**Mary Circle:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. monthly, 1pm at church.

--**Grace Guys:** Led by Pastor John Matthews every Wed. 6:30 am at church.

--**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday:** Monthly seniors' seminar & catered lunch, beginning at 10:00am

--**55 & Better:** Monthly outings for seniors, 9:30am

--**Grace Vines:** email prayer chain

#### --Augustana seniors' residence opportunities:

Various ways to interact with senior citizens at local facilities

--**Parish Nurse/Health Ministry Team:** Retired licensed nurses care for Grace members as needed; Health Ministry Team of professional health care workers meets monthly.

--**Faith Partners:** Substance abuse education for all ages

--**'30's Something' social/Bible study for adults:** Families and singles meet monthly for activities.

### Arts participation

--**Liturgical arts:** Decorate the sanctuary for the different church seasons.

--**Lap blankets & Prayer Shawls for shut-ins:** Tie fleece blankets or knit/crochet Prayer Shawls. Prayer Shawl group meets weekly on Wed., 5pm at church.

--**Make decor/costumes for special events:** Sew, paint, construct, etc. as needed.

--**Act or write dramas/skits** as needed.

--**Narrator/Emcee** for dramas/skits as needed.

--**Poster making** as needed.

--**Photography/Videography** as needed.

--**Advertising/public relations** expertise as needed.

### Property maintenance

Many opportunities to maintain Grace property. Coordinated via the building manager.

### Children's Ministries participation

Christian Education - Grace Bible School (GBS): All activities coordinated via C.E. Directors.

--**Teach GBS (3yrs -5<sup>th</sup> grade)\*** With team teacher or solo, as desired. One hour/week time commitment.

--**Education Office assistant (GBS hours):** Staff the GBS office. Rotating schedule, generally once/month.

--**GBS accompanist:** Play piano and/or guitar for GBS large group. ½ hour weekly time commitment.

--**GBS music leader:** Lead singing, prayer, activities for GBS large group. ½ hour weekly time commitment.

--**Help with Family Advent Event (Nov.):** Plan activities with a team for annual event.

--**Help with Christmas program (Nov.-Dec.):** You choose: Costumes, acting, singing, snacks, etc.

--**Help with GBS special events as planned**

--**Provide treats for GBS special events:** Pan of bars or 2 doz. Cookies, or salty bagged snacks, or juice.

--**Help with Vacation Bible School\*:** Lead groups of kids, plan stations, help in kitchen, etc. as you choose.

--**Maintain bulletin board near Ed. Office:** Rotating decorations with seasons of the year and general info

### Congregational Life participation

--**Sunday morning coffee servers (rotating):** Set up, serve and clean up approx. once per quarter.

--**Serve on Craft Fair committee:** Help plan and organize annual event with a team.

--**Rally Sunday and Mardi Gras Pancake Bkfst.**

**Helper:** Set up, cook, serve or clean up with a team.

--**Game Night (as scheduled):** Help plan games and snacks with a team.

--**Great Grace Get Together (as scheduled):** Help plan and organize food and fellowship events with a team.

--**Silent Auction helper (as planned):** Help plan and organize with a team.

--**Annual Mtg. Soup Supper helper:** Help set up and clean up with a team.

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## **Family Ministries participation**

- Serve on the Faith Formation Team:** Help plan milestone activities for families and children.
- Help plan social events for families:** Work with a team to create and implement fun intergenerational events.
- Help plan service projects for families:** Work with a team to create and implement meaningful intergenerational events.
- Help with Parents Time Out (as scheduled):** Watch kids while their parents enjoy an evening out

## **Mission Outreach/Social Concerns**

- Adopt-a-Highway cleanup (Fall/Spring):** Pick up trash along a two-mile stretch of Co. Rd. 42, with a team.
- C.A.T.C.H. house volunteer:** Help needy families with household goods and support.
- Community Meals at Grace (most Mondays):** Work on one of two teams to prepare food, serve, and clean up free meals, OR donate food.
- Habitat for Humanity (annually):** Help at the site with building, or donate food for worker lunches.
- MAC/NAPS program (government food distribution on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of month):** Stamp food vouchers for gov't-approved recipients.
- Families/individuals in emergency need:** Provide assistance, i.e. moving, illness, food.
- Giving Tree delivery:** Deliver gifts to local charitable organizations (December).
- Salvation Army Bell Ringers (Christmas):** At local businesses during holiday season.
- Feed My Starving Children program:** Package food with others at Eagan facility, as scheduled.
- Create Sunday sermon podcasts:** Upload sermons from CD to Grace website. Rotating schedule.

## **Music**

- All music coordinated via organist or choir director**
- Play instrument, Handbells** as scheduled.
- Help lead or accompany children's choir:** In formative process.
- Sing solo/duet, or in adult or family choir:** As scheduled.

## **Worship**

- Usher:** Hand out bulletins, offering plates, direct communion flow, other tasks as needed.
- Altar Guild:** Prepares the altar for worship, baptism and communion. Work with a team on a rotating basis.
- Assisting liturgist:** Assist the pastors with liturgy, prayers, baptisms.
- Assist with Blessing of the Animals service:** Work with a team to prepare and host annual event.
- Communion assistant:** Serve communion on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays or Wednesdays.
- Greeter:** Welcome people to worship, rotating basis.
- Lector:** Read Bible lesson, rotating basis.
- Offering counter:** Work with a team on Sundays, rotating basis
- Sound system monitoring:** Will train, rotating basis

## **Office Help**

- Volunteer Receptionist:** Answer phones, greet visitors 9-1pm or 1-5pm weekdays as needed, will train.
- Newsletter assembly:** Once/month with a team.
- Nametag maintainance:** Use prepared list to create, update for Lectors, Greeters and Communion Assistants.
- Take bulk mail to Rosemount post office:** Generally once/month, as needed.

## **Youth & Confirmation**

- All events coordinated via Youth Director.
- Lead Confirmation small group (6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> gr.)<sup>\*</sup>:** 1½ hour/ weekly, or shared with team leader.
- High School mentor<sup>\*</sup>:** Spend an hour with high school youth on Wednesdays, rotating basis.
- Adult Leader (age 19+) for H.S. Mission Trip:** Accompany youth, drive van, provide support for 5-7 days in the summer.
- Drive/Chaperone Middle School/ High School event<sup>\*</sup>:** Locally
- Chaperone Middle School/High School event or service project:** As needed.
- Chaperone service projects:** Locally
- Help with mission trip prep<sup>\*</sup>:** Shop for food, organize gear, etc.
- Help with 4th of July Carnival:** Grill food, serve and sell concessions, set up and clean up.

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### **Leadership and Commissions (elected)**

All leadership is elected at Annual Meeting. Terms are typically two years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. Meetings are once/month for two hours. Tasks vary by group.

### **Hospitality**

- Serve or clean up for funerals (daytime):** Work with a team as needed.
- Provide bars or salads for funerals:** Funeral Committee Director will provide specific needs.
- Make food for special events as needed:** Thanksgiving Eve fellowship hour, etc.
- Set up, serve, or clean up for special events:** Thanksgiving Eve fellowship hour, etc.
- Prepare or serve meals on Wednesday nights:** Work with a team on a rotating basis.
- New Member mentorship:** Provide friendly support for our newest members, at classes and as needed.
- 'Minglers':** Chat with visitors after worship, mingle in Atrium and coffee hour to connect with new people and lone individuals.

**We always welcome new ideas for ministry!  
Contact the church office with brainstorming and comments.**

\* Due to insurance requirements, some volunteer positions require application and background screening.