

Deacon's 2017 Ministry Plan

The purpose of the Deacon's to provide a ministry of compassion and caring to the members of the Church of the Covenant and the surrounding community.

In order to carry out this ministry in 2017, the Deacon's shall:

1. Visit/contact the shut-ins of the Congregation. Deacon's will also distribute Easter Lilies and Christmas Poinsettias to identified shut-ins.
2. Provide grief support to members of the Congregation by distributing a series of booklets designed to help those members through the passing of their loved one.
3. Reach out to our W&J College neighbors by hosting a "Finals Feast" in December and May. Donuts, fruit, drinks and more are provided as the Deacon's welcome students and wish them the best with their studies. An open gym is made available for a variety of activities. Students are also welcomed to attend Sunday services at the church.
4. Each Deacon will take a monthly assignment to arrange for greeters at the 9:43 and 11:00 services. Distribution of alter flowers is also done if needed.
4. Send College Care Packages to the Congregations identified college youth prior to their spring finals. Packages come with a hand written note letting them know their church family is thinking and praying for them.
5. Provide shuttle service to members of the Congregation who do not have alternative transportation and wish to attend church on Sunday's.
6. Distribute White Gift donations received in December from members of the Congregation to organizations in our community who serve the needs of individuals or groups in our community.
7. Provide limited monetary help to members of the Congregation during periods of need.
8. Assist the Christian Education Committee in the kick off of the Sunday school year at the September Rally Day Picnic by serving / cooking food.
9. Support through gifts, the mission programs of the Church as requested.
10. Raise money to help carry out the Deacon's Ministry Plan by holding an annual Fish Fry on the two Friday's in Lent prior to Good Friday and provide fellowship for Church members and the community at large.
11. Other duties as may arise.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Sylvis
2017 Moderator of Deacon's