



# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

## 2012

*“So when each separate part works as it should,  
the whole body grows and builds itself up through love.”*

*Ephesians 4:16*

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## **HERE I AM, LORD, SEND ME!**

St. John is a vibrant community of believers who are committed to serving our neighbors within our walls and in the community. We are committed to acting on our mission statement of “Making the Love of Christ Known.” We recognize that people come to our church family with differing gifts and needs. We offer a variety of ministries which allow people the opportunity to serve others, grow in faith, and cultivate valuable relationships.

The Bible teaches the priesthood of all believers – meaning every believer has a responsibility and privilege to minister to others using the gifts and abilities God has given them.

We believe:

- We have all been given gifts by God (Ephesians 4:1-16)
- The gifts given to each of us are different and vital to the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12)
- We are challenged by God to put these gifts into action (Romans 12:1-8)

This book was put together as a resource for you to find out about all of them in one place. We pray that it helps you in your journey to finding your “sweet spot” in ministry.

If you have any questions or would like further assistance getting connected, contact Andrea Kuehne, Director of Equipping Ministries at 419/586-2332 or [serving@purpledoorchurch.org](mailto:serving@purpledoorchurch.org).

### ***How to use this resource:***

- 1) Pray, asking God to guide you in deciding to participate in particular ministries.
- 2) Prayerfully read over the entire booklet, making notes of which ministries interest you.
- 3) Fill out the Ministry Commitment Form, choosing the ministries towards which God is leading you and for which you are gifted. You may sign up for more than one ministry. If you already participate in ministries or have signed up before, please respond again. We are updating our records and want to make sure all of our records are current.
- 4) Turn in your Ministry Commitment Form on Consecration Sunday (December 4, 2011) or return it at any time to the Church Office.

### ***Key for special circumstances:***

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**ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES**

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
S	Council	Serve on leadership team to manage direction and decision-making at St. John	Meeting once a month, others as necessary	Carrie Cubberley cubberleyc@gmail.com	Leadership, Faith, Wisdom, Administration
	Newsletter Assembly	Assemble monthly newsletter so it is ready for mailing	Once a month or as desired	Sherry Saddler office@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Administration
	Office Substitute	Cover for office duties (phones, copies, welcoming guests) during Office Manager vacations	As needed	Sherry Saddler office@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Administration
	Special Mailings	Assemble special mailings in the office	As needed	Sherry Saddler office@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Administration

**CARING MINISTRIES**

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
	Flower Visiting	Deliver altar flowers to sick or homebound people	3 x a year	Estella Nusbaum nusbaum234@frontier.com	Mercy, Service, Intercession, Faith
△	Prayer Chain	Receive a list of prayer needs and include them in your prayers	Continuous	Vicki Weisman vickiweisman@hotmail.com	Intercession, Mercy, Faith
√ S	Visitation	Visit assigned nursing home or homebound person, offering communion, prayer and support	2 x a month	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Mercy, Service, Intercession, Faith

**EDUCATION MINISTRIES - ADULT**

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
	Small Group Leader	Prepare and facilitate small group study (topic chosen by you or in conjunction with church-wide campaign)	Weekly	Becca Head becca@thoseheads.com	Leadership, Faith, Administration
	Women's Ministry Bible Study Group	Participate in monthly Bible studies and service opportunities	Monthly	Vicki Weisman vickiweisman@hotmail.com	Faith, Service, Knowledge
	Women's Ministry Leadership Team	Attend monthly board meetings and serve as a liaison to the women of the church	1-2 x a month	Vicki Weisman vickiweisman@hotmail.com	Leadership, Faith, Administration

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**EDUCATION MINISTRIES - CHILDREN**

	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
	Adventure Bible Club Elementary Crew Co-Leader	Lead a group of 5-8 children (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade) to their activities, rotating with other co-leader.	Wednesdays Sept.-April, approx. 14 weeks	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Adventure Bible Club Preschool Crew Co-Leader	Assist teacher with activities for preschoolers (age 3 years thru Kindergarten)	Wednesdays Sept.-April, approx. 14 weeks	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Adventure Bible Club Elementary Co-Teacher	Prepare and lead activity (bible story, craft, game or movie) for a group of children (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Wednesdays Sept.-April, approx. 14 weeks	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Adventure Bible Club Preschool Co-Teacher	Prepare and lead activity for preschoolers (age 3 years thru Kindergarten)	Wednesdays Sept.-April, approx. 14 weeks	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Education Team	Plan education opportunities for children (ages 3-6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	1 meeting a month	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Leadership, Service, Teaching, Faith
¥	Kids Praise Helper	Lead children (age 3 years thru 6 <sup>th</sup> grade) from worship to Kids Praise & assist teacher as needed	Approximately once every 6 weeks	Pam Rasawehr pjasawehr@watchtv.net	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Kids Praise Teacher	Lead the children (age 3 years thru 6 <sup>th</sup> grade) in their worship activities, prepare lesson	Weekly or as needed as co-teacher	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Artistry, Administration
	Library Team	Help to keep the Church Library in order by maintaining book records and promote use of the library.	Meeting - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month	Estella Nusbaum nusbaum234@frontier.com	Administration, Service, Artistry
HS	Mega Sports Camp Huddle Coach	Help head coach teach skills in a sport (Volleyball, Basketball or Soccer) and mentor children (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	July 9-12, 2012 6-8:30pm	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Leadership, Faith
	Mega Sports Camp Head Coach	Plan and teach skills in a sport (Volleyball, Basketball or Soccer) to children (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade) with the help of assistant coaches	July 9-12, 2012 6-8:30pm	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Leadership, Faith
¥ √	Nursery	Assist Nursery Directors with caring for children (infant-4 years old) during church services or other events	1 Sunday a month or as needed	Cheryl Heindel cherylheindel@gmail.com	Service, Teaching, Faith, Hospitality

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HS	VBS Crew Leader	Lead of group of 4-6 children (age 3 years thru 6th grade) to their activities	Aug. 5-9, 2012 6-8:30pm	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Arts, Administration
	VBS Teacher	Prepare and lead activity (Bible story, craft, movie, game) for a group of children (age 3 years thru 6th grade)	Aug. 5-9, 2012 6-8:30pm	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Arts, Administration

### EDUCATION MINISTRIES - YOUTH

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
	Youth Team	Assist Youth Director in planning activities for the youth (7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade).	Monthly meeting	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Faith, Service, Leadership
	Youth Helper	Assist as needed for chaperoning, driving, shopping for supplies, etc.	As often as desired	Cindy Snyder youth@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Administration, Teaching, Faith

### EVANGELISM MINISTRIES

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
	Evangelism Team	Plan evangelism events such as Kitefest, assist ministries with evangelism efforts	Monthly meeting	Jen Roidt jjroidt@gmail.com	Evangelism, Faith, Service, Hospitality
¥ 1	Parade Walkers	Walk in the Celina Lakefest Parade, handing out treats and informational flyers	Saturday of Lakefest 2012	Jen Roidt jjroidt@gmail.com	Hospitality, Evangelism, Service
¥	Sports Leagues	Participate on sports teams in church leagues (Softball, Volleyball, Basketball, Dartball, Flag Football, etc)	Seasonal	James Hiles james_c_hiles@yahoo.com	Faith, Skilled Craft
	VBS Welcome Team	Welcome guests to VBS each night and hand out information as needed	Aug. 5-9, 2012	Jen Roidt jjroidt@gmail.com	Hospitality, Evangelism, Service
	Welcome Team	Set-up refreshments for after Sunday services, answer questions at Welcome Center as needed.	Monthly or as desired at chosen service	Mary Fast 419/733-6525	Hospitality, Evangelism, Service
	WOW Welcome Team	Welcome guests to WOW Wednesdays during meal before	Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 once a month	Jen Roidt jjroidt@gmail.com	Hospitality, Evangelism, Service

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**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
	Bell Choir	Play special music for worship services once a month using bells and chimes	Weekly practices during school year	Kay Klopffleisch kayk@bright.net	Music:Instrumental
	Children's Bell Choir (4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Play special music for worship services 4-5 times a year using bells and chimes.	Weekly practices during school year	Kay Klopffleisch kayk@bright.net	Music:Instrumental
	Children's Choir (2 <sup>nd</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Sing special music for worship 7 times a year	Weekly practices during school year	Cindy Wendel wendelc@hometowncable.net	Music: Vocal
¥	Contemporary Worship Team	Sing / play instrument at worship weekly	Weekly practice	Ron Duval duval@bright.net	Music: Instrumental or Vocal
¥	Special Music	Sing / play instrument at worship	As desired at chosen service	Sue Buxton shbuxton@yahoo.com	Music: Instrumental or Vocal

**PROPERTY/MAINTENANCE MINISTRIES**

	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
¥	Garden Team	Adopt a section of garden to care for during the summer	As desired	Jason Gallman mjgallman@watchtv.net	Service, Skilled Craft
¥	Lawn Mowing	Mow assigned portion of lawn on given week	Once every 4-5 weeks	Jason Gallman mjgallman@watchtv.net	Service, Skilled Craft
¥	Snow Removal	Assist in the clearing of church sidewalks on snow days	Rotation as needed	Jason Gallman mjgallman@watchtv.net	Service, Skilled Craft

**SOCIAL CONCERNS / HOSPITALITY MINISTRIES**

	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
¥	Dinner Team	Help prepare and serve meals at WOW (school year), VBS and Mega Sports Camp	3 times during school year & 1 in summer	Mary Fast 419/733-6525	Hospitality, Service, Evangelism
△	Funeral Dinner Team	Provide food and/or serve a meal to those attending a funeral held at St. John	Rotation of 4 teams, varies depending on funerals	Lorna Saddler saddlers@bright.net	Hospitality, Mercy, Faith, Service

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¥	Maker's Dozen	Bake cookies for church events and stock freezer for future events	As desired	Linda Boley boleylinda@yahoo.com	Giving, Skilled Craft, Service, Hospitality
△	Meal Net	Prepare and deliver a meal to a person/family that is in need, usually due to health reasons	2-3 times per year, as desired	Becky Piper beckyphil@bright.net	Hospitality, Service, Giving, Mercy
¥	St. John Builders	Various building projects to help those who cannot afford to do it themselves	As desired and as projects are planned	Bob Chaney rccchance@msn.com	Skilled Craft, Service
△	Sewing Circle	Make quilts and crocheted items to send to Lutheran World Relief or others in need	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month or as desired	Marilyn Nelson lwahls@gmail.com	Giving, Faith, Service, Mercy
	Social Concerns Team	Plan and coordinate events such as food drives, school supply drive, congregational meetings, etc.	Meeting once a month	Lorna Saddler saddlers@bright.net	Hospitality, Mercy, Faith, Service
1 ¥	Walk-The-Talk	One-day ministry event to serve people in the community.	Fall 2012	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Evangelism, Skilled Craft
△	Wernle Caring & Sharing Program	Sponsor a boy at Wernle Children's Home by sending cards and birthday/Christmas gifts	As desired	Lorna Saddler saddlers@bright.net	Giving, Faith, Pastoring, Mercy

## WORSHIP MINISTRIES

	Ministry	Description	Frequency	Contact	Gifts
	Altar Guild	Set up communion, baptisms and special services as needed	1-2 x per year	Kris Heiby kheiby@bright.net	Faith, Giving, Service, Skilled Craft
	Assisting Minister	Assist the pastor in the liturgy during the service	1 Sunday a month	Sue Buxton shbuxton@yahoo.com	Faith, Hospitality, Intercession
¥	Audio/Visual Controller	Control the audio and/or visual components of worship	1 Sunday a month at chosen service	Sue Buxton shbuxton@yahoo.com	Skilled Craft, Service
	Communion Assistant	Help administer the sacrament of communion	3-4 x per year at chosen service	Estella Nusbaum nusbaum234@verizon.net	Faith, Giving
¥	Reader	Read scripture during worship service	3-4 x per year at chosen service	Estella Nusbaum nusbaum234@verizon.net	Faith, Giving
¥	Usher/Greeter	Welcome guests at worship, hand out bulletins, pass offering plates	Every 6-8 weeks at chosen service	Sue Buxton shbuxton@yahoo.com	Hospitality, Service, Evangelism

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**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
△	Celina East/West Elementary	Assist teachers with preparation of projects by sewing, cutting, etc. at home and returning to teacher	As needed or desired by helper	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Service, Administration
	Celina East/West Elementary	Work with individual children per teacher's request (math flash cards, reading, spelling, writing, etc)	As often as desired by helper	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Service
1	Celina East Elementary	Assist with the EESCO Carnival by staffing games or helping in the kitchen	October 6 <sup>th</sup> 10:30-2:30 (shifts available)	Carol Niekamp carol.niekamp@celinaschools.org	Service, Hospitality
	Celina East Elementary	Work with children one-on-one to help develop reading skills (Project MORE)	Once a week for 30 minutes each	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Teaching, Service
¥	Cheryl Ann	Share your gifts (crafts, music, cooking, etc) with individuals with developmental disabilities at the Cheryl Ann facility	As often as desired	Mike Overman mroverman2003@yahoo.com	Teaching, Mercy, Faith, Music, Skilled Craft,
√	Cheryl Ann	Include persons with disabilities in social events (clubs, picnics, outings, etc)	As often as desired	Mike Overman mroverman2003@yahoo.com	Mercy, Hospitality
√ S	Cheryl Ann	Take persons with disabilities to appointments, church services, etc.	As often as desired	Mike Overman mroverman2003@yahoo.com	Mercy, Faith, Service
√ S	Cheryl Ann	Teach skills to individuals with disabilities such as music or arts/crafts and mentor them in these skills	As often as desired	Mike Overman mroverman2003@yahoo.com	Teaching, Mercy, Music
	Choosing Life	Assist in office with clients coming in for the boutique or with questions, office duties as needed	As often as desired, open Mon & Thurs from 10-4	Patty Thees choosinglife@bright.net	Mercy, Administration, Faith
	Choosing Life	Help watch children of clients in the nursery during parenting classes	Mondays from 6:30-7:30	Patty Thees choosinglife@bright.net	Teaching, Faith, Service
	Choosing Life	Assist in the food pantry and boutique with sorting items and helping clients	Monday evenings	Patty Thees choosinglife@bright.net	Hospitality, Service, Faith
¥	Miller House	Service projects on-site such as planting flowers, painting/decorating rooms for residents, etc.	As often as desired	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Skilled Craft, Service
¥	Miller House	Interact with residents with entertainment, crafts, exercise, cooking, games, etc.	As often as desired	Andrea Kuehne serving@purpledoorchurch.org	Mercy, Music, Skilled Craft

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### ***Have an idea?***

If you see a ministry that is “missing” at St. John, we’d love to hear about it. Tell us how it will make the love of Christ known in our community and we can find out who else has that passion and get it off the ground.

### ***Know of a community organization that could use some help?***

St. John loves to partner with community agencies to help make an impact on the volunteer needs of our community. If you know of one that could use our help, let us know so we can contact them and see if a partnership can be worked out.

### ***Like to read?***

Here are some wonderful resources on the topic of finding your gifts and using them to impact your community and God’s Kingdom:

[The Externally Focused Life](#) by Eric Swanson & Rick Rusaw

[What you do best in the body of Christ](#) by Bruce Bugbee

[StrengthsFinder 2.0](#) by Tom Rath

[Gifts: the joy of serving God](#) by John Ortberg, Laurie Pederson & Judson Poling

[Make a Difference: Responding to God’s Call to Love the World](#) by Melvin L. Cheatham, M.D.

Many of these books are available at the church library or by contacting Andrea Kuehne, Director of Equipping Ministries.

### ***Want to find out your gifts?***

Contact Andrea Kuehne, Director of Equipping Ministries to start the process by completing a Spiritual Gifts Inventory either in person or online. From there, we can work one-on-one to discover the place where you are being called into ministry to use your gifts fully.