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College Church

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SERVING

at College Church

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 4:10-11 ESV

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58 ESV

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ADULT MINISTRIES

Men's Ministry

Purpose: Provide a forum for fellowship and Bible study specifically addressing issues for men.

Needed: Men who are committed and willing to share their time, energy and gifts.

Time: Varies

Contact: Josh Stringer (jstringer@college-church.org)

Men's Retreat & Events

Purpose: Provide a forum for fellowship and Bible study specifically addressing issues for men.

Needed: Men who are willing to serve in a hands-on way by sharing their time, energy and gifts.

Time: Varies

Contact: Josh Stringer (jstringer@college-church.org)

Men's Bible Study

Purpose: Provide an experience for men to develop their biblical and theological understanding and to apply it to their lives.

Needed: Small group leaders, administrators, greeters

Time: Wednesday evenings

Contact: Josh Stringer (jstringer@college-church.org)

Men's Monthly Gathering

Purpose: Equip men to grow in biblical maturity in order to make a difference in their homes, our church, and in the community.

Needed: Men who can serve in the kitchen, administrators

Time: One Saturday a month

Contact: Josh Stringer (jstringer@college-church.org)

Mom2Mom

Purpose: For moms of preschoolers (children birth through age six) to connect with one another, be encouraged in their role as a mother and receive support from experienced moms.

Needed: Experienced moms interested in coming along and mentoring moms of young children.

Time: Monthly on 1st & 3rd Monday mornings (9:30-11AM)

Contact: Mindy Rynbrandt (mrynbrandt@college-church.org)

Women's Bible Study

Purpose: To provide a welcoming atmosphere where women of all ages and backgrounds come together around God's Word to grow in their understanding of Christ and to support one another through prayer.

Needed: Greeters, event planners, food prep and administrative support

Time: September - April, Wednesday mornings (9-11AM) or evenings (6:00 - 8:00PM)

Contact: Mindy Rynbrandt (mrynbrandt@college-church.org)

Women's Retreats & Conferences

Purpose: Annual events intended to gather the women of College Church for fellowship and teaching from God's word.

Needed: Greeters, hospitality (table décor & hostesses), graphic-design, AV experience, event-planning

Time: Varies; every other year

Contact: Mindy Rynbrandt (mrynbrandt@college-church.org)

Women's Monthly Gathering

Purpose: Monthly gathering is a space where women of College Church can connect with one another, discuss relevant topics, learn from God's Word and grow with one another.

Needed: Greeters, hospitality (table décor & food prep)

Time: One Saturday a month 9-11AM

Contact: Mindy Rynbrandt (mrynbrandt@college-church.org)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Bible School—Elementary

Purpose: Teach Kindergarten through sixth-graders the truthfulness and authority of Scripture and how it applies to their lives.

Needed: A team of ministry partners who will point students to Jesus through large group Bible teaching and small group discussion.

Time: Sunday mornings, School Year

Contact: Jill Tweeten (jtweeten@college-church.org)

Bible School—Preschool

Purpose: Teach basic Bible stories to preschoolers to build a foundation for them to love God and his Word.

Needed: Ministry partners who will point children to Jesus through Bible stories, music, crafts and guided play.

Time: Sunday mornings, School Year

Contact: Gail Mudra (gmudra@college-church.org)

Children's Church

Purpose: Encourage preschoolers to love and worship God.

Needed: Ministry partners who will create a worship environment that engages preschoolers.

Time: Sunday mornings, School Year

Contact: Karin Tuurie (ktuurie@college-church.org)

Christian Service Brigade/Tree Climbers

Purpose: Nurture the spiritual growth of first through sixth grade boys, encouraging them to love and serve God.

Needed: Men and dads who will model the Christian life through teaching, praying, playing and building relationships with the boys.

Time: Wednesday nights, September–April

Contact: Gail Mudra (gmudra@college-church.org)

Kids' Korner

Purpose: Provide a safe and loving environment for children birth–Kindergarten, whose mothers are attending Women's Bible Study, which allows them to learn more about God and his love for them.

Needed: Ministry partners to serve in the nursery or in the preschool classes, showing and sharing the love of Jesus with the children.

Time: Wednesday mornings, September–April

Contact: Suzanne Shirley (suzanne_shirley@yahoo.com)

Nursery

Purpose: Give little ones a positive first experience of church by providing a safe, loving and nurturing environment.

Needed: Ministry partners who will care for the needs of the littlest ones, loving them as Jesus loves them.

Time: Sunday mornings and evenings throughout the year

Contact: Cheryce Berg (cberg@college-church.org)

Pioneer Clubs

Purpose: Nurture the spiritual growth of first through sixth grade girls, encouraging them to love and serve God.

Needed: Women and moms who will model the Christian life by teaching, praying and engaging the girls in activities and building relationships with them.

Time: Wednesday nights, September–April

Contact: Gail Mudra (gmudra@college-church.org)

Special Service Helpers

Purpose: Minister to children in the nursery and preschool during special services such as Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve, Good Friday and the combined service at Edman Chapel.

Needed: People willing to serve the congregation by caring for and implementing a simple program for children.

Time: Varies

Contact: Cheryce Berg (cberg@college-church.org)

Sunday Evening Preschool

Purpose: Expose preschool children to missions and missionaries.

Needed: Ministry partners who desire to grow mission-minded children.

Time: Sunday evenings, September–June

Contact: Karin Tuurie (ktuurie@college-church.org)

Wonders of Worship

Purpose: Prepare students Kindergarten–third grade for participation in corporate worship.

Needed: Ministry partners who will create a worship environment that both teaches and engages children in worship.

Time: Sunday mornings, School Year

Contact: Karin Tuurie (ktuurie@college-church.org)

Children's Choirs

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God's Children Sing

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DISABILITY MINISTRIES

1:1 Inclusion Buddy

Purpose: Assist STARS in participating with peers in a variety of settings.

Needed: Sunday morning Kids' Harbor Bible school and God's Children Sing on Sunday evenings.

Time: Varies

Contact: Kathy Brinker (kbrinker@college-church.org)

Friday Night Fun and Buddy Break

Purpose: Provide a time of respite for families by having a place where parents can drop off their adult or child with special needs for an evening of fun and worship.

Needed: Loving volunteers who can help children and adults participate and thrive in a variety of gym, craft and music activities.

Time: 6:15–9 p.m. on the first or third Friday night of the month, October–April

Contact: Kathy Brinker (kbrinker@college-church.org)

Praise in Action

Purpose: Come alongside teens and adults with intellectual disabilities to worship through music–rehearsing and sharing their gifts.

Needed: Ministry workers to assist with instrument set-up, and/or come alongside STARS and guide participation and behavior (no musical experience necessary).

Time: Wednesday evenings 6:45–8:15 p.m., mid-September–May

Contact: Kristin Visconti (kvisconti@college-church.org)

STARS Choir

Purpose: Come alongside teens and adults with intellectual disabilities to worship through music–rehearsing and sharing their gifts.

Needed: Ministry workers to come alongside STARS and guide participation and behavior (no musical experience necessary)

Time: Sunday evenings 6–7:15 p.m., mid-September–May

Contact: Kristin Visconti (kvisconti@college-church.org)

STARS Sunday Classes

Purpose: Share God's truth and Christ's love with children, teens and adults with special needs.

Needed: Teachers and assistants to model Christ's love for STARS and help them understand his Word. We have four classes: adults, multi-generational, teens and young STARS.

Time: Sundays at 9:30 or 11 a.m.; there are separate classes for adults, teens and children on Sunday mornings. Some children are included in Kids' Harbor classes with 1:1 buddies.

Contact: Julie Clemens (jclemens@college-church.org)

HELPING MINISTRIES

Audio Visual

Purpose: Assist AV staff with audio/visual/video/lighting needs for services or other events and projects.

Needed: People with skill or interest in learning more about the operation of audio-visual equipment.

Time: Weekly, on rotation, or as needed for special events

Contact: Tim Hollinger (thollinger@college-church.org)

Book Stall

Purpose: Provide people with books selected by ministry staff to enhance our walks with God and witness to the world.

Needed: People to serve those interested in the books and sermon CDs.

Time: After Sunday morning services

Contact: Wil Triggs (wtriggs@college-church.org)

Buildings & Grounds

Purpose: Assist the buildings and grounds staff in keeping the facilities well-maintained and beautiful.

Needed: People with a willingness to serve—the ability to use a broom, plant a flower, dust furniture, etc.

Time: Contact Howard Kern to schedule times

Contact: Howard Kern (hkern@college-church.org)

Communications

Purpose: Be part of a team who works together to present the life of College Church through print, electronic and social media to the church and the community at large.

Needs: Individuals with skills in graphic design, writing/editorial, video production, website or social media who are willing to help the church in these areas.

Time: Flexible, from once a year to once a week

Contact: Wil Triggs (wtriggs@college-church.org)

Helping Hands

Purpose: Connect people who have tangible, non-financial needs with volunteers who can meet those needs. Needs met through this ministry include such things as fixing a leaky faucet for a single parent on a limited income, providing transportation for an elderly person who cannot drive or providing a meal to a person recovering from surgery.

Needed: People willing to help someone in need.

Time: Varies

Contact: Christy Chiodras (helpinghands@college-church.org); or to receive help from Helping Hands, call the hotline at (630) 668-6411, ext. 311—messages checked daily

Information Technology

Purpose: Assist IT staff with specialized programming and reporting.

Needed: People with skill and experience in SQL queries, .NET and CSS coding for various reports and projects.

Time: As needed for IT projects

Contact: Tim Hollinger (thollinger@college-church.org)

Kitchen Fellowship

Purpose: Kitchen Fellowship is a group of people who enjoy working together to keep the College Church kitchens clean and well-organized.

Needed: People who like to clean and organize.

Time: Mondays, 10–11:30 a.m. in Commons Kitchen

Contact: Diane Stephen (dstephen@college-church.org)

Library

Purpose: Provide resources and services to the congregation to equip people in personal growth, faith and outreach.

Needed: People to help shelve returned books, help patrons find books they want and check out books. Weekly tasks such as labeling and stamping new books, organizing supplies, sending out overdue/fine notices and promoting the Library via social media.

Time: Varies

Contact: Lisa Kern (lkern@college-church.org)

Office Volunteers

Purpose: Help with administrative tasks within the Church Office.

Needed: People with a servant's heart willing to help with projects such as collating, stapling, labeling postcards/envelopes and stuffing envelopes.

Time: Varies as projects arise

Contact: Lisa Kern (lkern@college-church.org)

Parking Ministry

Purpose: Provide worship attendees with a warm greeting in the parking lot, directing to open parking spots and assisting as they make their way from the parking lot to the building.

Needed: Individuals with a warm smile who enjoy serving people.

Time: Sunday mornings

Contact: Dave Talbot (david@david-talbot.com)

Ushers

Purpose: Provide worship attendees with a warm greeting, a worship folder, help finding a seat and to provide assistance in receiving the offering.

Needed: Men and women who enjoy people and have servant hearts.

Time: Sunday mornings and evenings and special worship services

Contact: Michael Bare (mike.bare@edwardjones.com)

HOSPITALITY

Commons Café

Purpose: Provide an opportunity for fellowship and promote community within the church.

Needed: Hospitable people willing to set up and serve.

Time: Sunday mornings

Contact: Diane DiLeonardi (Dio215@sbcglobal.net)

Greeters

Purpose: Provide a warm greeting and sense of belonging to each one who enters the church for worship.

Needed: People with a warm smile, a firm handshake and a genuine love for people.

Time: Sunday mornings

Contact: Mike Solis (msolis@college-church.org)

Welcome Center

Purpose: Provide resources and information on the people and ministries of the church to the congregation, with special attention to visitors and those who are new to our fellowship.

Needed: Helpful, friendly people who wish to serve others.

Time: Sunday mornings

Contact: Mike Solis (msolis@college-church.org)

LOCAL & GLOBAL OUTREACH

International Student Ministry

Purpose: Welcome, build relationships and share Christ's love with international students.

Needed: Men and women who want to help international students by providing for practical needs such as airport pickups, grocery trips, hosting meals and friendship.

Time: Varies

Contact: Robert Nordstrom (ism@college-church.org)

Refugee and Immigrant Ministry

Purpose: Welcome, build relationships and share Christ's love with refugees and immigrants.

Needed: Men and women to assist with local ESL programs, airport pick-ups, outreach events, cross-cultural Bible studies, etc.

Time: Varies

Contact: Missions Office, ext. 119, missions@college-church.org

Missions Events

Purpose: Provide hospitality to missionaries and to those interested in missions.

Needed: Men and women to help with logistics, set-up and clean-up, welcoming, meal preparation, photography, videography, childcare, etc.

Time: Varies

Contact: Michelle Kelley (mkelley@college-church.org)

Missions Festival Team

Purpose: Provide an opportunity for awareness and engagement in missions.

Needed: Volunteers to assist with various events and activities during the festival weekend.

Time: Twice a year, spring and fall

Contact: Michelle Kelley (mkelley@college-church.org)

Missions Media and Communications

Purpose: Further display God's work by utilizing various media platforms.

Needed: Men and women who are skilled at writing, editing, social media, art, etc.

Time: Varies, project basis

Contact: Michelle Kelley (mkelley@college-church.org)

Missions Reentry Team

Purpose: Help orient missionaries returning to the area on home assignment by assisting with practical and transitional needs.

Needed: Men and women to connect missionaries with medical and educational resources in the community and help with practical needs like shopping, counsel, childcare and friendship.

Time: Varies, based on availability

Contact: Missions Office, ext. 119, missions@college-church.org

CareNet Pregnancy Services

Purpose: Support women facing unplanned pregnancies.

Needed: Counselors, people who can provide childcare, people who can lead a Bible study in Spanish, nurses, technicians and doctors to help with ultrasound machine.

Time: Varies

Contact: Ron Chiodras (chiodras@comcast.net)

Outreach Community Center

Purpose: Tutor elementary or junior high students from the south Carol Stream area.

Needed: Anyone willing to help kids with their homework.

Time: Varies

Contact: Outreach Community Center, (630) 260-7600

PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter)

Purpose: Share Christ's love with the homeless in the community.

Needed: Individuals who can help in any of the following ways: provide food, prepare and/or serve food, clean up, help with laundry.

Time: Varies

Contact: Lisa Kortenhoeven (5korts@sbcglobal.net)

Sports Ministry - Upward Basketball

Purpose: Reach friends and neighbors with the gospel of Jesus Christ through youth basketball.

Needed: Coaches to engage in player skill development and relational evangelism with both children (grades first-sixth) and their families; referees to help officiate the games; scorekeepers.

Time: January-March, Saturday games, once a week practices for coaches

Contact: Audrey McEuen (amceuen@college-church.org)

STARS Resale Shop

Purpose: Provide quality merchandise at reasonable prices to the community to provide funds to STARS Family Services, which provides living arrangements and related services to adults with intellectual disabilities in the STARS ministry and to provide a job coaching program for adult STARS.

Needed: Individuals who are willing to help and be trained with various tasks related to a retail store. Holiday help is particularly needed.

Time: Varies (store hours M-F 10-5; Saturdays 9-4)

Contact: Becky Cook (bcook@college-church.org)

Twice is Nice Resale Shop

Purpose: Provide quality merchandise at reasonable prices to the community to provide funds to Outreach Community Center in Carol Stream for the support of various ministries and to provide an opportunity for people to serve the needs of others as volunteers and contributors.

Needed: Individuals who are willing to help and be trained with various tasks related to a retail store. Holiday help is particularly needed.

Time: Varies (store hours M-F 10-5; Saturdays 9-4)

Contact: Mary Quiggle (mquiggle@college-church.org)

MUSIC

Choral & Vocal

Purpose: To provide choral leadership for congregational singing, as well as choral anthems

Needed: Adults who can sing on pitch; music reading ability is helpful.

Time: Sunday mornings & special services; rehearsals Thursday evenings September–May

Contact: Worship & Music staff (music@college-church.org)

Instrumental

Purpose: To enrich congregational singing in corporate worship through diverse accompaniment.

Needed: Adults who play instruments and read music

Time: Sunday mornings & special services; Thursday evening rehearsals scheduled as needed.

Contact: Worship & Music staff (music@college-church.org)

Glorify! Student Choirs (Grades 7-8 and 9-12)

Purpose: To provide choral leadership for congregational singing, as well as choral anthems

Needed: Students who can sing on pitch; music reading ability is helpful.

Time: Twice a semester on Sunday mornings; Sunday evening rehearsals scheduled as needed.

Contact: Delena Ollila (dollila@college-church.org)

Glorify! Student Instrumental (Grades 9-12)

Purpose: To enrich congregational singing in corporate worship through diverse accompaniment.

Needed: Students who can play instruments and read music.

Time: Twice a semester on Sunday mornings; Sunday evening/Thursday evening rehearsals scheduled as needed.

Contact: Delena Ollila (dollila@college-church.org)

Children's Choirs (Four choirs, Grades 1-6)

Purpose: Teach children to praise God through song as well as provide them with vocal training.

Needed: Substitute accompanists; adult volunteers to assist with non-musical responsibilities in rehearsals and concerts.

Time: Sunday nights from September–May. Performances throughout the year

Contact: Jennifer Wheatley (jwheatley@college-church.org)

God's Children Sing

Purpose: Provide a unique, hands-on music education and worship experience for preschoolers and Kindergartners—designed to teach them to enjoy God with all their being.

Needed: Musically trained people interested in working with children.

Time: Sunday evenings September–April

Contact: Sarah Herr (sarah.k.herr@gmail.com)

STUDENT MINISTRIES

College Ministry

Purpose: Equip college students for a lifetime of serving Christ and his church.

Needed: Hosts for student-led Bible study and occasionally providing a home-cooked meal.

Time: 2-3 hours

Contact: Ben Panner (bpanner@college-church.org)

High School Ministry

Purpose: Equipping high school students to own their faith and pursue maturity in Christ while building Christian friendships.

Needed: Adult leaders who want to pass on the gospel to the next generation through discipleship, small groups and next step groups.

Time: Sundays at 9:30 a.m., Wednesdays 7-8:30 p.m., a fall and spring weekend retreat and occasional community events.

Contact: Zach Fallon (zfallon@college-church.org)

Junior High Ministry

Purpose: Helping junior high students explore their faith while building Christian friendships.

Needed: Adult leaders who want to pass on the gospel to the next generation and a willingness to shepherd a group of eight to ten students in a small group setting.

Time: Wednesday nights and occasional Sunday morning attendance during the school year.

Contact: Dan Hibben (dhibben@college-church.org)

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