



**LEADING PEOPLE INTO A TRANSFORMING RELATIONSHIP WITH
JESUS CHRIST, LOVING GOD WITH PASSION, GROWING TOGETHER
IN COMMUNITY, AND SERVING THE WORLD IN LOVE.**

Ministry Commitment Card

Descriptions and Signup

(Fall 2017)

For Serving in Ministry

February 2018 through January 2019*

** (Please **enter** your **Name #** when marking your Commitment to serve in a particular Ministry area. Even if you are **servicing** currently in a Ministry area and plan to continue, please indicate that by **signing up for this new ministry year.**)*

Name (#1): _____

Phone #1: _____

Email #1: _____

Name (#2): _____

Phone #2: _____

Email #2: _____

Address: _____

**Please return this entire form during worship
on Commitment Sunday, November 12, 2017**

OR mail to:

**ATTN: Terri Miller, Skyland UMC, P.O. Box 697,
Skyland, NC 28776-0697**

✓ (91) SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER:** Lead/facilitate lessons for ongoing classes.
- 02 ___ **LEAD / TEACH SMALL GROUPS:** short-term course, such as Bible topics/books, spiritual development, etc.

✓ (92) CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT HELPER DURING GOD'S KIDS:** Lead/assist with children's lesson from 6:15-7:45 p.m.; a group of 8-10 children, divided by ages. Lessons provided.
- 02 ___ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH 9:25 SERVICE - LEADER/HELPER:** Lead/assist with Sunday morning Children's Church lesson; materials provided.
- 03 ___ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH 10:55 SERVICE - LEADER/HELPER:** Lead/assist with Sunday morning Children's Church lesson; materials provided.
- 04 ___ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS):** Crew leader for groups of 5-7 children or help at stations. All hands on deck for this event for 125+ children.
- 05 ___ **SPECIAL EVENTS DECORATING TEAM:** Help decorate for seasonal special events such as Easter, VBS.
- 06 ___ **FALL FESTIVAL TEAM:** Help with set up and/or work at the different booths.
- 07 ___ **NURSERY 9:25 SERVICE:** Assist paid nursery workers with care of infants and/or toddlers.
- 08 ___ **NURSERY 10:55 SERVICE:** Assist paid nursery workers with care of infants and/or toddlers.
- 09 ___ **EASTER / LENT EXPERIENCE:** Assist with the journey through stations that tell the story of Holy Week and Easter.

✓ (93) YOUTH MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH HELPER (7TH—12TH GRADE):** Lead small group breakout times & assist Youth Director with activities on Sunday nights.
- 02 ___ **CHAPERONE YOUTH EVENTS (7TH—12TH GRADE):** Assist Youth Director with and/or attend trips, retreats, & activities outside of church.
- 03 ___ **YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER (7TH—12TH GRADE):** A team of adults who assist/support Youth Director in planning and preparing for upcoming programs, events, and activities.
- 04 ___ **YOUTH SMALL GROUP LEADER / HELPER (7TH—12TH GRADE):** Prepare and present lesson from standardized curriculum on Sunday mornings (rotation).

✓ (94) CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **LOVING CARE:** Make dishes for a meal when church members are in need, or assist with a reception for a funeral or memorial service, if requested. Provide transportation for members when needed for doctor appointments, etc. This ministry needs many volunteers, and they will be contacted on a rotation basis when a need arises.
- 02 ___ **COLLEGE STUDENT CARE:** Gather, provide, and prepare for shipping snacks and warm wishes to our college students during exam in college.
- 03 ___ **KEEP IN TOUCH:** Make contact with members who are homebound through mail, telephone, and/or home visits.

✓ (94) CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY (continued)

- 04 ___ **GREETING CARDS:** Send get-well, thinking of you, and sympathy cards to our members.

✓ (95) PRAYER MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **PRAYER CHAIN:** From home or at work, pray for specific requests from calls made to Prayer Chain Leader, either alone or in a group.
Please specify desired contact method: phone call (provide phone number); email (provide email address); text message (provide cell phone number).
- 02 ___ **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Knit or crochet prayer shawls to be distributed to Skyland UMC family and friends in need.
- 03 ___ **HELP MAINTAIN PRAYER ROOM:** Check and tidy up Prayer Room weekly to make sure it is a place of prayer; set up for designated themes and prayer vigils when necessary.
- 04 ___ **SPECIAL PRAYER EVENTS:** Help with physical/spiritual preparation for prayer events, e.g. assemble prayer stations, act as host for labyrinth, copy or create prayer notebooks, pray with others.

✓ (96) MISSIONS MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEMBER:** Help select and plan missions to be supported through our SUMC Missions budget line item.
- 02 ___ **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VOLUNTEER:** Help construct homes for families; some physical labor involved; all ages/skill levels welcome (18 years of age and up or 16 years old with parents consent). No construction experience.
- 03 ___ **ROOM IN THE INN VOLUNTEER:** Outreach to homeless women who spend a week at SUMC twice per year. Homeless participants are carefully screened. Volunteers stay at church overnight and/or provide meals or transportation.
- 04 ___ **ABCCM COOK / SERVER:** Cook or serve food at monthly evening meal to men and women at homeless shelters in Asheville.
- 05 ___ **ABCCM LEADER:** Recruit ABCCM volunteers, shop, organize food, assign volunteers to cook and serve for monthly meals at ABCCM (alternates monthly between Men's Veteran's Restoration Quarters and Women's Steadfast house).
- 06 ___ **CAROLINA CROSS CONNECTION YOUTH PARTICIPANT:** Youth (rising 8th graders and above) spend one week at camp in WNC to work with local people cleaning, landscaping, painting, and assisting with smaller construction projects.
- 07 ___ **CAROLINA CROSS CONNECTION ADULT CHAPERONE / PARTICIPANT:** Drive van, attend week-long mission in WNC, and oversee youth work crews helping with construction and landscaping projects.
- 08 ___ **C4C / ESTES RESOURCES ORGANIZER:** Assist with transferring donations from SUMC collection bin to Estes Elementary School.
- 09 ___ **THE WELCOME TABLE @ SUMC:** Assist 1 time per month at Saturday community breakfast: cook, setup, greet, serve, visit, or clean up.
- 10 ___ **BLOOD DRIVE HELPER:** Assist at SUMC blood drives. Check donors in, provide snacks. Friendliness and a sympathetic ear are a plus!
- 11 ___ **C4C / ESTES TUTOR—MENTOR—LITERACY VOLUNTEER:** Become a reading buddy for 30 minutes to 1 hour/week reading with a student; become a mentor and spend 1 hour/week in the classroom, or help at Estes' Resource Center an hour or more per week.

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v (96) MISSIONS MINISTRY (continued)

- 12 ___ **COMMUNITY GARDEN:** Food grown in a faith-based garden to support our community! Help plant, weed, & cultivate vegetables and flowers in our garden plot behind the church parking lot.

v (97) TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **BUS DRIVER:** No special license needed. Safe, courteous, and efficient drivers needed to transport Givens residents to/from church (3 round trips each Sunday), rotation basis; you can trade dates with other drivers if needed. If available, may drive for youth events, ATS Preschool trips, or other activities.
- 02 ___ **VEHICLE MAINTENANCE:** No special license needed; must be SUMC member. Drive bus to a maintenance facility for repair or inspection.

v (98) HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **CHOW MEAL CO-CAPTAINS:** Team with another co-captain to manage CHOW meal, except for cooking from 4:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on assigned dates. Coordinate with a CHOW Team for dessert, set-up, cashier station, and clean-up.
- 02 ___ **CHOW MEAL SUPPORT:** Join others in supporting a CHOW meal by buying and/or preparing dessert, setting up, collecting CHOW money, and clean up. Sunday School class or small groups often volunteer.
- 03 ___ **HOSPITALITY EVENTS:** Assist with hospitality events, such as Palm Sunday dinner, Camp Tekoa picnic, Christmas social, & other smaller events that occur; includes setup, cooking, serving, linens, etc. Help needed with one or more events.
- 04 ___ **KITCHEN TEAM:** Tidy up kitchen and order consumable supplies, along with laundering of towels. Occasionally clean appliances.
- 05 ___ **GREETER 8:25 SERVICE:** One greeter weekly—arrive at 8:00 a.m. with a big smile & make coffee for colonnade coffee station. From 8:10-8:35 a.m., greet everyone at front door for 8:25 Sanctuary worship service. Be attentive to new people & welcome them with a gift bag.
- 06 ___ **GREETER 9:25 SERVICE:** Two greeters weekly—arrive at 9:00 a.m. with a big smile & check coffee levels in colonnade & make more coffee if needed. From 9:10-9:35 a.m., greet everyone at front door for 9:25 The Current worship service. Be attentive to new people & welcome them with a gift bag.
- 07 ___ **GREETER 10:55 SERVICE:** Two greeters weekly—arrive at 10:30 a.m. with a big smile to greet everyone at front door for 10:55 Traditional worship service. Be attentive to new people & welcome them with a gift bag. These greeters are responsible for coffee cleanup: empty coffee pots and return cleaned pots to coffee station.
- 08 ___ **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE SET UP:** Arrive Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. to brew coffee and res-stock supplies (simple instructions provided).
- 09 ___ **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE CLEAN UP:** On Sundays after 11:00 a.m. clean up coffee station area and return any used cups to the kitchen (simple instructions provided).
- 10 ___ **WELCOME BAGS:** Assemble & maintain a supply of colorful bags filled with goodies & church info for 1st-time visitors.

v (99) TECHNOLOGY / OFFICE MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **PHOTOGRAPHER:** Take pictures of church events, activities, staff; post on bulletin board & make available for web site & social media.
- 02 ___ **OFFICE ASSISTANT:** Assist staff with office duties during the week as needed; usually Mondays 9:30-10:30 a.m. (teams of 2 people) or Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (1 person); such as recycle used bulletins-newsletters, greet/assist walk-in guests, answer phone, record worship attendance, etc.
- 03 ___ **BULLETIN - NEWSLETTER TEAMS:** Prepare bulletin/newsletter & place inserts on Thursdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m. in church office to for upcoming Sunday. Teams of 5 people each week.
- 04 ___ **AUDIO - VISUAL OPERATOR:** Operate audiovisual equipment (presentation software, DVD, projector, screen, TV's etc.) Ensure equipment is functional—alert staff of any issues. Teach others how to operate.
- 05 ___ **SOUND SYSTEM OPERATOR:** Learn & monitor Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall sound systems for church services & special events.
- 06 ___ **COMMUNICATIONS:** Help improve our communications and marketing at SUMC. Share your expertise and feedback, be willing to do some research, and attend monthly meetings.

v (10) WORSHIP MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **COMMUNION PREPARATION:** Purchase bread and juice as needed prior to communion Sunday, prepare elements for communion, clean and store communion utensils, and launder linens.
- 02 ___ **SANCTUARY CARE:** Before Sunday, at your convenience (during church office hours), straighten hymnals, replenish offering envelopes, attendance cards, pencils, etc.
- 03 ___ **SPECIAL DECORATIONS:** Assist in decorating church, primarily for Christmas, Easter, & special services or events; also take down and repacking decorations.
- 04 ___ **USHER 8:25 SERVICE:** Two ushers needed weekly to welcome church attendees starting at 8:10 a.m. Distribute bulletins & assist people with seating, collect offering, etc.
- 05 ___ **USHER 9:25 SERVICE:** Two ushers needed weekly to welcome church attendees starting at 9:10 a.m. Distribute bulletins & assist people with seating, collect offering, etc.
- 06 ___ **USHER 10:55 SERVICE:** Four ushers needed weekly to welcome church attendees starting at 10:40 a.m. Distribute bulletins & assist people with seating, collect offering, etc.
- 07 ___ **ACOLYTE 8:25 SERVICE:** One acolyte weekly to carry flame/cross into Sanctuary at beginning of worship & light candles. Carry flame/cross out at end of worship.
- 08 ___ **ACOLYTE 10:55 SERVICE:** One acolyte weekly to carry flame/cross into Sanctuary at beginning of worship & light candles. Carry flame/cross out at end of worship.
- 09 ___ **COMMUNION SERVER 8:25 SERVICE:** One server weekly to assist Pastor by serving juice or bread during Communion.
- 10 ___ **COMMUNION SERVER 9:25 SERVICE:** Four servers monthly to assist Pastor by serving juice or bread during Communion.
- 11 ___ **COMMUNION SERVER 10:55 SERVICE:** Four servers monthly to assist Pastor by serving juice or bread during Communion.
- 12 ___ **VISUAL ARTS TEAM:** Create special visual designs for the colonnade and worship spaces to support sermon series.

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✓ (12) MUSIC MINISTRY

- 01 ___ **CHANCEL CHOIR MEMBER 10:55 SERVICE:** Attend regularly scheduled rehearsals, sing in 10:55 a.m. worship service & special services.
- 02 ___ **SPECIAL MUSIC 10:55 SERVICE:** Attend weekly rehearsals, assist with worship service and special concerts, play instrument and/or sing.
- 03 ___ **WORSHIP TEAM SINGER 9:25 SERVICE:** Attend rehearsals, sing & assist in leading 9:25 a.m. service & special concerts. Choose how often to participate—does not have to be every week.
- 04 ___ **WORSHIP TEAM MUSICIAN 9:25 SERVICE:** Attend weekly rehearsals, accompany & assist in leading 9:25 a.m. service & special concerts. Choose how often to participate—does not have to be every week.
- 05 ___ **ADULT HANDBELL RINGER:** Attend weekly rehearsals & play in scheduled Sunday services & special concerts.
- 06 ___ **YOUTH (GRADES 6-12) HANDBELL RINGER:** Attend weekly rehearsals & play in scheduled Sunday services & special concerts (except summer).
- 07 ___ **CHILD (GRADES 3-5) CHIME RINGER:** Attend weekly rehearsals & play in scheduled Sunday services & special concerts (except summer).
- 08 ___ **YOUTH PRAISE TEAM (GRADES 6-12):** Youth Musicians, 6th grade & up, are invited to come grow in their skill on their instrument, learn how to play with a band, & learn what it takes to lead our congregation into worship
- 09 ___ **YOUTH PRAISE TEAM (ADULT):** Adult musicians come make a difference in the lives of SUMC Youth through music. Help our youth grow their musical abilities by sharing your talents & guidance.

✓ (13) OTHER MINISTRIES

- 01 ___ **HANDY SKILLS:** Assist Trustees with electrical, plumbing, painting, landscaping, cleanup & repairs on campus. Skill desirable, but a willing heart most important. Training provided.
- 02 ___ **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW):** UMW is an organization of women 800,000 strong, who work to improve the lives of youth, women, and children - locally and internationally. We have special study issues such as climate change and human trafficking. Let us show you more!
- 03 ___ **CARETAKERS OF GOD'S CREATION:** Engage with us in sustainable practices as responsible caretakers of our earth and community, both locally and globally, and actively participate in ongoing and future projects to care for God's creation.
- 98 ___ **HERE I AM, LORD:** I want to serve, but I'm not sure where. Please contact me.
- 99 ___ **OTHER:** Briefly describe: _____

___ **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES:**

FINANCE / ENDOWMENT / TRUSTEES / STAFF - PARISH RELATIONS

(To learn more about serving on one of these committees, please circle it.)