

Dear Worthington UMC Servant of Christ,

We have had a good year of service in 2016 as we have been Building the Circle Wider – the Circle of God’s Love widening the community we embrace. With the many commitments made through Every Member in Ministry, we have committed to prayers, presence, gifts and witness and we continued meaningful ministries and also found new ways to serve others.



As we move into 2017 and see the opportunities and community needs before us, we are asking everyone to join together in Planting Seeds for New Growth – Growth of our congregation in deeper faith and expanded ministry. With the Capital Campaign complete and our expanded awareness of God’s wide call, we are positioned well to move into the future. The challenge before us continues to be awareness of the needs in the world around us and learning what it means to share God’s love and grace with all. We welcome opportunities for service with the congregation and community. Our gifts as God’s people in this place are overflowing and we want even more people to have the opportunity to get involved, planting seeds for new growth in our Mission and Ministries.

Enclosed in this booklet are 2017 opportunities. We invite you to prayerfully consider the areas where you feel called to commit to sharing God’s love. Challenge yourself, find areas about which you are passionate, and learn that the service to God expands our community.

A committed involvement, including your financial commitment, is essential for this congregation to continue toward our vision of *building a more diverse and open community of committed Christian servants*. The generosity of this congregation has been overwhelming! And the future is looking very bright as we seek God’s vision in the seeds we plant as we seek to remain faithful to serving all God’s children.

Please spend time in prayer and allow God to influence you as to where you feel your gifts, talents, energy and generosity can best be used in planting seeds – in doing so, may you find the blessing of a new level of prayer, presence, gifts, service and witness.

Thanks for your strong service this past year. It takes our working together to share God’s grace and love with all people. We ask God to help us each plant seeds as together we celebrate the blessings and opportunities we have been given.

In ministry with you.

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...building a more diverse and open community of committed Christian servants



WELCOME TO EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY

This booklet contains brief descriptions of our ministries. When used with your Every Member in Ministry commitment sheet, it will help you identify the ministries in which you commit to serve during 2017. And if you have an idea for a new ministry, please write it on the Service Commitment form.

Review the many opportunities for service that are available throughout the church. After you have given prayerful consideration to your commitment and identified the ministries in which you feel called to serve, please mark your Service Commitment sheet. You may mark the box to continue your

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commitments from 2016. If so, there’s no need to mark each individual ministry--only mark the ministries that are additional in 2017.

The Financial Commitment is completed on the separate form included in this packet, so please be sure to put your personal information on both forms. Of course, if your financial commitment changes during the year you can modify your giving commitment by contacting Lynn Ebright, Financial Secretary at 614-885-5365.

Commitment Sunday is October 30. There will be a special time during the worship services that day to bring forward your commitment to prayers, presence, witness, service and gifts. If you are unable to attend, you may mail both commitment forms to the church office or drop them off.

Thank you for being Christ’s servant in the world.



MINISTRY TEAMS

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Mailings Support - Assembly

1	Assemble monthly and seasonal mailings.	1 -2 times /month	2 to 4 hours
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Mailings Support - Photocopy and Fold

2	Photocopy and fold monthly newsletter.	1 time per month	3 to 4 hours
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Offering Counters

3	Count Sunday offerings on Monday mornings and deposit in bank.	1 to 4 times per month as available	2 - 3 hours (more during holidays)
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Office Volunteer As Needed on Tasks

4	Assist church office staff as needed during the week.	1- 4 times / month	1 to 3 hours
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Office Volunteer During the Week

5	Answer telephones and greet guests.	1 - 4 times / month	2 to 3 hours
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Office Volunteer on Sunday Morning

6	Assist in church office on Sunday mornings at least 15 minutes prior to the first service through the end of the last service; answer office telephone, relay messages as needed.	1 time per month	3-4 hours
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Support for Every Member in Ministry

7	Assist in preparing EMIM booklet and church database updates. Involves proof reading and data input.	August through December	varies
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Weekly Bulletin Proof Reading

8	Proof read weekly bulletins and inserts on Thursday mornings except around holiday schedules.	1 - 5 times / month	1 hour
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Weekly Bulletin Support - Assembly

9	Assemble weekly bulletins on Friday mornings except around holiday schedules.	1 - 5 times /month	1 hour
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Weekly Bulletin Support – Photocopy and Fold

10	Photocopy and fold weekly bulletins and inserts on Thursday afternoons except around holiday schedules.	1 time / month	1 to 2 hours
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ALTAR GUILD - FLOWERS AND PARAMENTS

Altar Preparation

11	Light candles and prepare the area for worship each Sunday. Training will be provided.	1 time per month	12 times per year
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Altar Flowers

12	Encourage members to provide floral arrangements for the altar through newsletter and bulletins. Contact people who signed up to remind them of their commitment.	One week each month/12 times per year	10 to 15 minutes contact time
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Decorating for Holidays

13	Prepare altar and sanctuary for Easter, Christmas and other special holidays.	every holiday and special service	varies
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Hanging of Greens Event

14	Plan and organize day of Advent crafts, activities, decorating, food and fun for families.	1 time per year planning begins in fall	4 hours plus 3 hours of preparation time
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Orders for Christmas and Easter Flowers

15	Staffing table to take the flower orders.	2 times per year	2-3 hours per year
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Paraments and Stoles

16	Changing, cleaning, repair, and storage of paraments and stoles.	changes with the Liturgical Calendar	varies; 20 to 30 minutes per change
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Taize Service

17	Set up and take down candles and other supplies for the Taize Service held on the 2 nd Wednesday of the month.	1 time per year	2-3 hours
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Taize Supplies

18	Twice each year, inventory Taize candles/supplies, clean glassware, order more supplies.	2 times per year	2-3 hours
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CHURCH BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Building Integrity - Basement

19	Check for water leaks, pests, clear walkways.	monthly	varies
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Building Integrity - Outside

20	Check windows, doors, vents, paint, and roof for proper working condition.	2 times/year (May & October)	time needed to perform inspection
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Building Minor Repair - Remodeling Projects

21	Provide assistance in making repairs or helping with projects as identified.	called as needed	based on size of project
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Church Housekeeping

22	Dusting, polishing and window cleaning.	called as needed	as needed
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General Church Cleanup

23	Help remove debris from basements, tunnels, garages and other storage areas.	called as needed	as needed
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Grounds Beautification - Fall Cleanup

24	Clean up leaves, pull annual flowers, and prepare church grounds for winter.	once yearly	½ day
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Grounds Beautification - Spring Planting

25	Spring cleanup and pruning, preparation of beds, plant flowers, and mulch beds on church grounds.	once yearly	½ day
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Grounds Beautification – Summer Maintenance

26	Teams of two water plants, deadhead flowers and pull weeds on church grounds and parking lot islands.	1 time per week depending on volunteers	1 - 2 hours per day as needed
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CHURCH COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLICITY SUPPORT

History

27	Collect, organize and preserve materials documenting Worthington UMC history.	varies	varies
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Pew Pocket Maintenance

28	Fill pockets with envelopes, prayer cards, and brochures weekly and sharpen pencils once per month.	2 person team responsible for 2 months/year	1 to 2 hours per week
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Photography/Videography

29	Be a church photographer/videographer at church programs and events, including taking photographs of new members.	as needed	as needed
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Website Preparation and Review

30	Update news items, information on church programs and related information. Review site, update and edit information.	monthly	varies
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CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Bereavement Ministry – Provide Food

31	Provide luncheons and receptions for grieving families, prepare a dessert or a side dish and bring it to the church.	8 to 12 events per year; may work 2-3 events	2 hours each time
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Bereavement Ministry – Serve

32	Serve luncheons and receptions for grieving families, help with set-up and serving or with serving and clean-up.	8 to 12 events per year. May work 2-3 events	2 hours each time
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Caring Team – Check-In

33	Make phone calls when a member is released from the hospital.	varies	varies
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Caring Team – Providing Meals

34	Prepare and deliver meals to members.	varies	varies
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Caring Team – Respite Care

35	Provide care giver relief.	varies	varies
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Caring Team – Transportation Following Illness

36	Provide transportation to doctor appointments, physical therapy, run errands, etc.	varies	varies
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Caring Team – Transportation to Church

37	Provide transportation to and from worship for a non-driver of our congregation who lives in your vicinity.	1 time per month	travel time and worship service
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Caring Team – Special Needs Buddy System

38	Be a buddy with a special needs person on Sunday morning.	1 time per month	70 minutes
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CD – Duplicating

39	Following the 9:30 service or early in the week, duplicate audio recording of service. One month of service per time.	3 to 5 times year	15 minutes per session
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Deliver CDs

40	Deliver CDs to homebound members and those in care centers.	approximately 6 times per year	1 to 2 hours
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Keeping In Touch

41	Make phone calls, send e-mails, or write notes to members who have been unable to attend worship or participate in active ministries.	varies	1 hour or less
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New Baby Care Package - Donate

42	Donate items for families with new babies. Items may include necessities that a new mother or child would need-even including gift cards. Items can be donated at any time throughout the year.	as needed	as needed
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New Baby Care Package - Assembly

43	Help put together care packages for families with new babies, based on items donated to the church. Care packages will be prepared in advance so they are on hand and ready when we hear about births.	as needed	as needed
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Prayer Chain

44	Lift up in prayer church members and others in need of God's healing; team members communicate by email or phone. Attendance at 10:30 Monday morning prayer & Bible study class is encouraged.	as concerns arise	varies
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Prayer Shawl Ministry (Julia Ministry)

45	Julia Ministry volunteers knit or crochet prayer shawls for those who are in need of feeling enfolded in God's loving arms. All skill levels, beginner to expert, are welcome. Materials (yarn, needles, hooks) can be provided.	1 time per month; 3 rd Friday at 10:00 am	2 hours
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Van Driver

46	Drive WUMC van to transport residents of care centers to and from church for Sunday worship and special services (ages 25 to 70).	1 time every 6 to 8 weeks	total of 1 ½ hours (this includes the service time)
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Visitors for Homebound

47	Visit homebound members.	1 visit, call or card per month	1 hour
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Visitors for Homebound Birthday

48	Visit homebound members on or near their birthday to chat and take a remembrance and card.	1 time per year	Varies
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Visitors for Homebound Card and Bag Delivery

49	Visit homebound members to deliver holiday gift bags on the Sunday prior to the holiday.	5 times per year	Varies
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Wesley Glen Friends

50	Visit a Wesley Glen resident who does not have regular visits from family members for conversation and an opportunity to make a <u>new</u> friend.	1 times per week	½ to 1 hour
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FELLOWSHIP AND RECREATION PLANNING

All-Church Social Events Planning

51	Plan and coordinate gatherings for members and friends to provide opportunities for fun and fellowship.	2 to 4 times per year	2 hours
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Fine Arts Team

52	Schedule a variety of art work displays to enhance the WUMC building and plan Creative Arts Workshops.	6 times per year	2 hours
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Neighborhood Social Events Planning

53	Help organize gatherings in order to share fellowship with our neighbors.	2 to 3 times per year	2 hours
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Softball

54	Join co-ed softball church league. Games are played on Sunday afternoons at Fancyburg Park in Upper Arlington. The season starts in late April or early May and runs through August (12 games). Fee of approximately \$25. All levels of players are invited; the purpose is fun and fellowship	spring and summer	Sunday afternoons (games start at 2:00pm, 3:15pm or 4:30pm)
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Volleyball

55	Join the church volleyball team.	January through March	1 to 2 hours Sunday afternoons during season
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WUMC Singles

56	WUMC Singles is a social and fun fellowship group for all singles age 40 and above whether never married, widowed, divorced, or separated. The primary purpose is to provide singles with fellowship and interaction with other singles to continue to grow as individuals.	2 activities per month	2 hours per activity
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WUMC Singles Planning Board

57	Help to plan gatherings and activities for WUMC Singles Ministry for persons 40 and older.	4 times year	2 hours each planning session
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HOSPITALITY

Cookie Providers

58	Provide three dozen cookies for Sunday coffee hour and drop off cookies at the Dixon kitchen 9:00 to 9:30 am or earlier on Sunday morning.	2 or 3 times per year	drop off cookies
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Event Receptions

59	Prepare food, table set up, plate food for serving, refill as needed and clean up. Needed in afternoon or evening hours.	1 or 2 times per year	2 ½ hours per reception
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Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

60	Prepare beverages, set up table, prepare cookie trays, refill as needed and clean up. Needed from 9 to 10:30 am or 10:30 to 11:45 am.	2 or 3 times per year	1 ½ hours during coffee hour
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Summer Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

61	Prepare a 45 cup coffeemaker and set up a table for early church goers who enjoy fellowship after worship. Share duties with a team to cover Sundays from June to September.	3 or 4 Sundays during summer	½ hour: 8:00 am to 8:30 am
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Rally Day – Meal

62	Assist with set-up, serving and clean-up for Rally Day Meal.	1 time per year	2 ½ hours per year
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MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

Intergenerational Education Development and Events

63	Help to plan intergenerational and congregation-wide educational opportunities including mid-week studies and special events.	quarterly	2 hours per planning session
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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Church Adult Shepherds

64	Accompany children (age 4 to grade 3) to the Potter Chapel following Children's Moments & assist leader with the Children's Church worship experience.	1 time per month during 9:30 am or 11:30 am service	1 hour per month
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Children's Sunday School Teacher

65	Help teach Children's Sunday School between 10:40 and 11:25 am, from a chosen curriculum. We need two teachers in each room to team teach each Sunday. Sunday School rooms are nursery, 2 and 3 year olds, pre-k and kindergarten, 1 st and 2 nd grade, 3 rd and 4 th grade, 5 th and 6 th grade.	1 time per month or more if you would like	1 hour
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Exploration Helper

66	Help our 4 th to 6 th grade Vacation Bible School experience called Explorations. Help lead them in mission experiences as they experience God through a week of missions.	commitments vary with interest area	4 hours per day for 1 week in summer
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Fall Family Festival, Trunk or Treat

67	Decorate your car trunk and have something for children as they Trick or Treat around the church parking lot.	1 time per year	2 hours
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JAM (Junior Active Ministry)

68	Assist with monthly ministry (grades 4 through 6) on Sunday evenings. Come and have fun with this age group as we fellowship together, participate in mission experiences, and learn about God.	once per month usually on Sunday	2 hours each time
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Vacation Bible School Leader

69	Participate in Vacation Bible School by leading activities based on the chosen theme. Activities could include Bible storytelling, recreation, crafts. Music and science.	1 week in the summer	3 hours per evening for 1 week during the summer
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Vacation Bible School Shepherd

70	Lead a group of children to the activity stations around the church.	1 week in the summer	3 hours / evening for 1 week in summer
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Nursery Assistant

71	Come and hold a baby or play with a toddler as you share God's love with them.	1 time per month during 9:30 am & 11:30 am services	2 hours
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Two and Three Year Old Adult Helper during Worship Times

72	Assist with 2 and 3 year olds in Room 102 during the 9:30 am and 11:30 am services. Children come before worship service starts or after Children's Moments. Come and play with these young children and show them God's love.	1 time per month during 9:30 am & 11:30 am services	1 hour per month
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YOUTH MINISTRY

Adult Helper with Youth Ministry - Impact

73	Adults work with youth ministries for mission experiences, retreats, fund-raisers and regular Sunday Night Ministry.	as needed	as needed
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Bread Baker for Youth Fundraiser

74	Spend a Saturday at church helping youth make bread for their bread fundraiser. No experience needed, just willingness to help the youth succeed.	once in spring, once in winter	varies
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Youth Sunday School Teacher

75	Help teach Youth Sunday School 10:40-11:25 am. We need two teachers in each room to team teach on Sunday. Sunday School rooms: Jr. High (7 th and 8 th grade) and Sr. High (9 th to 12 th grade).	1 time per month or more if you would like	1 hour
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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

College Care Package Ministry

76	Sign up and bring joy to our college students as they are away from home. Help shop, pack and mail our college student a message of love from their church family.	3 times per year	varies but averages 1 hour
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College Age Dinners

77	Help plan gatherings for our college students when they are home for winter and summer breaks..	2 times a year	2 hours per time
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ADULT MINISTRY

Adult Class Teacher

78	Prepare and teach class; teachers are needed once a week for 6-10 weeks, depending on class materials.	1 class per year	time commitment varies
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Adult Council Member

79	Adult Council develops programs for members and visitors to further worship, study and fellowship opportunities	6-8 times per year	varies
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OUTREACH AND MISSION

Adult Mission Trips

80	Mission trips to serve areas of need. Location to be determined.	varies	Weekend or week long
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Adult Disaster Early Response Team

81	Mission trips to provide assistance for disaster relief. Time and distance to be determined based on the situation.	varies	varies
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American Red Cross Blood Drive - Donor

82	Donate blood during the drive held at WUMC	quarterly	1 to 2 hours
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Bags of Blessings

83	Help sort items to designated charities.	January through October	12:15 to 1:15 pm last Sunday of month
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Bethlehem on Broad Street Collection

84	Help receive and check Christmas food boxes for needy families after items are returned to church.	1 time per year	Last 2 Sundays of Nov. & 1 st Sunday of Dec. 1 to 2 hours
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Bethlehem on Broad Street Delivery

85	Help deliver completed food boxes to Broad Street UMC.	1 time per year	10 am to noon the 1 st Saturday of December
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Bethlehem on Broad Street Distribution

86	Help distribute food boxes to needy families in Columbus during a Christmas party at Broad Street UMC.	1 time per year	3 hour shift 2 nd Saturday of December
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Friendship Dinner

87	Prepare and serve a family meal in the Fellowship Hall to members of the community.	Once per month	5 pm – 8 pm the third Thursday of each month
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Gates Fourth UMC Community Breakfast

88	Help serve breakfast, greet guests and assist in clean-up. Gates Fourth UMC is located at 119 East Gates Street, Columbus.	The 4 th Saturday of each month	9:00-11:45am
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Mat Ministry

89	Assist and/or make sleeping mats for the homeless which are distributed through The Open Shelter. Mats are made out of plastic shopping bags.	“Plarn” parties 3 rd Wednesday of month 1:00-4:00pm	individually determined
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Mitten Tree & Underwear Drawer

90	Help collect and count new mittens, hats, scarves, socks and underwear for needy clients of the New Life Clothing Room.	1 time per year	1 hour per week late November to mid-December
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New Life UMC – Breakfast Ministry

91	Prepare and serve neighborhood breakfast.	Tuesday and Sunday	9 to 11 am Tue. or 6:30-8:30 am Sun.
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New Life UMC – Clothing Room

92	Help sort and hang clothes and shop with neighborhood clients.	Tuesday, Wednesday & Sunday	9:30 to 11:00 am on Tue. or Wed. 7-9am on Sunday
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New Life UMC – Health and Wellness Center

93	Volunteer at the health and wellness center as a doctor, nurse, pharmacist or greeter.	Sundays	7 to 9 am any Sunday
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NNEMAP Food Pantry

94	Volunteer as an interviewer, stocker or shopper to assist families in Columbus..	Monday to Friday	9 am to noon any weekday
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Operation Sandwich Delivery

95	Count and deliver sandwiches to the Friends of the Homeless Shelter on Mondays.	Mondays	2 hours during any Monday
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Operation Sandwich Preparation

96	Make individually wrapped sandwiches and place them in the Fellowship Hall refrigerator by Sunday for delivery to Friends of the Homeless Shelter on Monday morning.	as needed	varies
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Project More

97	Work on reading skills with a struggling 2 nd or 3 rd grader in the Worthington elementary school of your choice. Customized lesson plan prepared by the reading specialist. 1 hour training. Substitutes are available.	Once/week on school days for 30 minutes	Between 8:30am & 2:30pm Sept. to May
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Resettlement Support

98	Assist Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS). WUMC will take on 3 tasks to assist in resettlement of one family, such as assisting with furnishings, social interactions or welcoming. Responsibilities TBD.	varies	varies
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Summer Lunch Programs

99	Help serve prepared lunches to needy neighborhood children at the Broadmeadows Blvd. Park, located one mile south of WUMC.	1 week during summer	12pm to 2pm, one or more days during the WUMC week
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The Carpenter's Helping Hands – Periodic Work Requests

100	Work with a Monday, Thursday or Saturday team to provide basic household services to those who can't afford or who are physically or otherwise unable to do basic work around their homes or apartments.	as requests are received and assessed	3 to 4 hours per day, starting at 9am
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The Carpenter's Helping Hands – Service Days

101	Join with fellow volunteers on a scheduled Saturday morning in the spring and fall to perform yard work and other basic household services for those who either can't afford or who are physically unable to perform such work themselves.	a Saturday in spring and a Saturday in fall	3 to 4 hours in spring and fall, starting at 8:30am
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The Open Shelter

102	Organize & implement activities to collect new or used outdoor survival equipment, e.g., tents, tarps, backpacks, flashlights, for homeless persons living on the land. Items are distributed through The Open Shelter.	To be determined	individually determined
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UMCH Family Services

103	Help with occasional projects as needed.	varies	varies
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Worthington CROP Hunger Walk

104	Walk and collect donations to raise money for hunger programs such as the WRP (Worthington Resource Pantry).	1 time per year	1 to 2pm on 2 nd Sunday in October
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Worthington Resource Pantry – Counselor

105	Volunteer as a counselor to help with client needs in the resource center.	Monday, Wednesday, or 3 rd & 4 th Saturday	Open Mon. 10am-2pm Wed. 3pm-7pm Sat. 10am-noon 3 hour shift
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Worthington Resource Pantry – Food Collection

106	Volunteer to collect food donations at various businesses and locations around town and from Mid-Ohio Food Bank.	as needed	various times on weekdays
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Worthington Resource Pantry – Food Delivery

107	Volunteer to help with food drives or Mid-Ohio Food Bank deliveries, sorting food and stocking shelves.	as needed	various times on weekdays
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Worthington Resource Pantry – Worker

108	Volunteer as a manager, interviewer, greeter, shopper or back roomer in the pantry.	Monday, Wednesday, or 3 rd & 4 th Saturday	Open Mon. 10am-2pm Wed. 3pm-7pm Sat. 10am-noon 3 hour shift
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Worthington Resource Pantry – Other

109	Help at the WRP with administrative & secretarial tasks, data input and validation, calculating monthly statistics, computer software & updates and computer hardware & networking.	as needed	varies
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YWCA Family Center

110	Prepare and serve dinner to the families with children at the homeless shelter located at 900 Harvey Court, near 5 th Avenue and Leonard Avenue.	1 -3 times per year	4:30 to 8:00 pm on Saturday 1-3 times per year
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WELCOMING AND INVITING

Church Picnic

111	Plan and coordinate annual church picnic in July.	1 time per year	3-6 hours per year
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Church Tours

112	Using script, lead visitors on a tour of the church on the third Sunday of the month, telling some history and pointing out areas of importance. All tours are given during Sunday School hours. When a New Member class is held they join the scheduled tour.	3 times per year	30 minutes per tour
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Community Activities on the Lawn

113	Plan, coordinate and host events on the front lawn on Saturday mornings and Sunday evenings	3 to 4 times per year	Saturday mornings or Sunday evenings; 2-3 hours per event
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Election Day Hospitality

114	Coordinate greeters and cookies/refreshments for Primary and General elections	2 times per year	2 hour intervals on election day 7:20 am to 6:30 pm
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First Time Visitor Calls

115	Make contact with first time visitors on Sunday afternoon to welcome, answer questions and invite back	6 to 12 Sundays per year	1 hour per Sunday
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First Time Visitor Gifts

116	Coordinate assembly of gifts; ensure current supply is available at the Welcome Center	Monthly	1-2 hours per month
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Greeter Team - Funerals/Memorial Services

117	Welcome guests attending funeral/memorial services; assist in directing to Potter Chapel or Sanctuary	As needed	1 to 2 hours per service
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Greeter Team - Special Events

118	Greet and welcome visitors for concerts and special meetings	As needed	1 - 2 hours / service
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Greeter Team - Sunday Greeter - 9:30

119	Welcome worshippers on Sunday mornings. Needed Sunday mornings, 20 minutes before service begins	6 Sundays per year	½ hour per Sunday
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Greeter Team - Sunday Greeter - 11:30

120	Welcome worshippers on Sunday mornings. Needed Sunday mornings, 20 minutes before service begins	6 Sundays per year	½ hour per Sunday
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Memorial Day Parade

121	Assist on church lawn to provide hospitality during Memorial Day Parade	Memorial Day	9 am to 11:30 am
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New Members Class Host/Hostess

122	Welcome attendees and assist pastors with new members' series of classes	3 series of classes per year	30 minutes / class, 5 classes / series
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Parking Assistant for Special Events

123	Assist in parking lot for concerts, funerals, weddings and special events to help persons in finding parking spaces	As needed	1 to 3 hours per event
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Welcome Center Host /Hostess 9:30

124	Greet and welcome visitors, direct newcomers to classrooms, restrooms. Needed 20 minutes before worship begins and 10 minutes after worship ends	6 times per year	30 minutes per time
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Welcome Center Host /Hostess 11:30

125	Greet and welcome visitors, direct newcomers to classrooms, restrooms. Needed 20 minutes before worship begins and 10 minutes after worship ends	6 times per year	30 minutes per time
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Welcoming and Inviting Committee

126	Participate as a member of the planning/coordinating team for various events throughout the year	Committee meets 6 times per year	1 hour per meeting and events as listed
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WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Adult Choir

127	Sing with the adult choir for Sunday services, Holy Week services, and special events. Adult choir meets September through May with extra rehearsal time during Holy Week	2 times per week	3 ½ hours per week Thursday evenings 7:30 to 9:15 pm
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Baptism Assistance

128	Assist pastors in baptisms - presenting persons, pouring water	as needed	as needed
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Biblical Storytelling

129	Communicate scripture in Sunday services by using Biblical Storytelling techniques	varies	varies
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Blessing of the Animals

130	Help coordinate and assist with service in which pets receive blessing - pet ownership not required!	1 planning session in April or May	1 hour service in July or August
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Children's Hand Bells Helper

131	Want to pass on your experience and love of hand bells? Assist with Children's Choir (kindergarten through 6 th grade) by attending practices and performances.	4:30pm Thursday practice	30 minute practice & occasional performances during worship
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Communion Server for 9:30 am Service

132	Help serve Holy Communion. Schedule established annually according to your availability. Training provided.	3-4 times per year	1 hour
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Communion Server for 11:30 am Service

133	Help serve Holy Communion. Schedule established annually according to your availability. Training provided.	3-4 times per year	1 hour
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Drama

134	Be part of a team to share dramatic presentations in worship, primarily in the Emerge Service	as needed	as needed
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Emerge Planning Team

135	Help plan the Emerge Service	1 time per month	1 to 2 hours per month
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Emerge Praise Team

136	Assist in the music of the Emerge Service.	as needed	as needed
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Hand Bell Ringer - Adult

137	Participate in group lessons and practices to learn how to become a ringer in the hand bell choir.	Weekly practices & regular performances during year & occasionally during summer	Practice Sundays 12:30-2pm and 8 to 10:30am on performance Sundays
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Prepare Media Shout Projection for Worship Service

138	Prepare Media Shout for the worship service.	1 - 2 times per month based on volunteers	Typically 1 hour
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Preparation of Announcement Projection Slides

139	Preparation of announcement slides and/or text for pre-worship viewing, the text being shorter versions of the announcements in the bulletin.	Once per week	Typically less than one hour
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Projection System Operator for 9:30 am Service

140	Operate projection system during the 9:30am Traditional worship service.	1 time per month	1 hour
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Projection System Operator for 11:30 am Service

141	Operate projection system during the 11:30am Emerge worship service.	1 time per month	1 hour
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Projection System Operator for Special Events

142	Operate projection system during special events.	as needed	as needed
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Rainbow Singers Helper

143	Assist with Rainbow Singers (for preschool ages) by attending practices and performances.	5:00pm Thursday practice & performances during worship	30 minute practice & occasional performances
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Sound System Operator for 9:30 am Service

144	Operate sound board during the 9:30 am worship service.	1 time per month	1 ½ hours
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Sound System Operator for 11:30 am Service

145	Operate sound board during the 11:30 am worship service.	1 time per month	1 hour
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Sound System Operator for Special Events

146	Operate sound board during weddings, funerals and other special events.	as needed	as needed
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Summer Special Music Sharing

147	Provide special music for the 8:30 am and 9:30 am summer worship services.	varies	1 hour
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Usher Team Member for 9:30 am Service

148	Serve on usher team to distribute bulletins, seat congregation and visitors at worship services, receive offerings and facilitate the distribution of communion.	Once every 5 weeks	1 ½ hours
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Usher Team Member for 11:30 am Service

149	Serve on Emerge usher team to distribute bulletins, seat congregation and visitors at worship services, receive offerings and facilitate the distribution of communion.	1 time per month	1 ½ hours
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Usher Team Member for Summer 8:30 am Service

150	Serve on usher team to distribute bulletins, seat congregation and visitors at worship services, receive offerings and facilitate the distribution of communion.	1 time per month during summer	1 ½ hours
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Usher Team Member for Special Events

151	Work as a member of the special usher team to distribute bulletins, seat congregation and visitors at special services, funerals, concerts and receive special offerings.	6 times per year or as needed	1 ½ hours
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Worship Leader for Emerge Service

152	Lead the Emerge Service by welcoming, reading scripture and offering prayer.	1 / month or more as needed	1 hour
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Worship Planning

153	Assist pastors in planning special worship services.	as needed	as needed
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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Riverside Sewing Guild #28

154	Enjoy fellowship and serve others in a special cause. Cut and sew neck pillows, eye masks, toy animals, walker bags, knit or crochet baby blankets and other items used at Riverside Methodist Hospital. Meet at the hospital or work at home. Free parking and lunch.	1 time per month	1-2 hours per month
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Special Interest Circle—Dorcas Circle

155	Otherwise known as the Trifles 'n Treasures committee, this group of women is responsible for planning and conducting our annual garage sale to raise money for UMW missions. Meets monthly July through October.	1 time per month plus extra during sale week	varies
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Special Interest Circle—Martha Circle

156	Meet new friends and share fellowship and spiritual support while working on individual craft projects (scrapbooking/card making, needlework, etc.) Dedicated to providing busy women with "me time" away from other stresses and responsibilities	1 time per month	1-2 hours per month
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Traditional Circles

157	Meet with and share fellowship, hands on work for mission, spiritual development, and educational programs with other women in the congregation.	1 time per month plus extra projects	2-3 hours per month
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OTHER

Congregational Meals

158	Cook meals for congregational events such as educational series, in church retreat and special worship.	1 to 2 times per year	varies
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Library Committee

159	Committee members are active participants in the operation of the church library. This includes promoting the library to church members, attending meetings (as needed) and monthly work days when possible.	as needed	1-2 hours work day on 1 st Saturday
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Memorials

160	Participate in determining the use of memorial funds to further the work of the church. Also help members plan for giving beyond their lifetime, providing support into the future for ministries that are dear to them.	varies	varies
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Open Hearts

161	Join this group which focuses on opening wide the doors of our hearts and minds to include all of God's children, especially those who may feel marginalized and address the needs of persons with disabilities and special needs. Activities include walking in the Pride Parade in June, singing in the Pride Choir, being attentive to possible improvements for friends with special needs and developing future plans.	meets 6 times per year, 2 nd Tuesday of odd months	varies
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Parish Nursing

162	Help take blood pressures at church and explore other nursing opportunities for the congregation	varies	varies
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Sewing and Costumes

163	Create costumes for Vacation Bible School, Christmas pageant, and other special events.	varies	varies
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Wedding Coordinator Team

164	Be part of the team that assists brides and grooms at the time of their wedding	varies	varies
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Women's Retreat Planning

165	Plan and help conduct annual spring overnight gathering for fellowship, study and prayer	3 - 4 meetings over 4 months	total 6 to10 hours
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New Ministry at Worthington UMC

166	Is there a ministry you feel called to do that we don't already have at Worthington UMC? Share your idea for a new ministry that you would like to coordinate by writing it on the service commitment form.	to be determined	to be determined
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Wherever the Church Needs Me

167	Can't decide where you can best serve? Volunteers are always needed for a variety of ministries. You may be called upon to help as needed. You might discover gifts you didn't realize you have.	varies	varies
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