

ST. PETER'S
MINISTRIES
SERVANTS IN CHRIST



We are called by God
to experience and
share the Joy and Love
of Jesus Christ through:

WORSHIP

FELLOWSHIP

DISCIPLESHIP

MINISTRY

AND MISSION

St Peter's
Lake Mary

stpeterslakemary.org

For more information and to become involved, visit: stpeterslakemary.org/volunteer.

Overview

*Whatever you do, work at it
with all your heart, as working
for the Lord, not for men, since
you know that you will receive
an inheritance from the Lord as
a reward. It is the Lord Christ
you are serving.*

—Colossians 3:23-24

First, thanks to everyone who volunteers at St. Peter's. Your contribution is greatly appreciated. Our church programs are successful thanks to your giving spirit, time and talents. We pray God richly blesses your life.

The Five Commissions of St. Peter's

St. Peter's Episcopal Church is called by God to experience and share the joy and love of Jesus Christ, through:

- **Worship**
- **Fellowship**
- **Discipleship**
- **Ministry**
- **Mission**

These five Commissions describe the calling of all Christians who actively seek to grow in their knowledge and love of God through Jesus Christ.

It begins with Worship.

Having heard and accepted God's love, God's people are compelled to express this profound love in **Worship**. As they gather in celebration, they quite naturally begin to **Fellowship** with other Christians. This leads in turn to a hunger which is nourished through **Discipleship**, growing in our knowledge of the Lord.

Discipleship is what empowers Christians for **Ministry** where we minister God's love to our friends, neighbors and family. The final step in this process is **Mission** whereby Christians go out into the world to do God's will.

On the following pages, you will have the opportunity to acquaint yourself with the volunteer positions available within each ministry. Please take time to peruse the information. You can also open and download the latest versions of the Ministry booklet for each of the five commissions at stpeterslakemary.org/volunteer/

Qualifications and Personal Requirements for all Positions:

Possess a teachable spirit and willing heart to serve God and others.

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Abundant Life for Women

Description: A group of women who gather together in a Christian environment to focus on spiritual maturity, service and fellowship.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by encouraging spiritual growth, personal development and leadership among women; and to contribute to the general welfare of the home, church, community and world.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Retreat Coordinators: Assist with arrangements for Women's Ministry gatherings, retreats and quarterly events.

Greeters: Arrive early to welcome and check in guests, connect guests to other participants, paying close attention to new faces.

Hospitality Assistance: Help plan, prepare, and clean up meals for events.

Table Hostesses / Discussion Leaders: To engage all at your table and facilitate discussion.

Prayer Leaders: To pray for those who need or ask for prayers.

Retreat Committee: To plan and organize Women's Retreats.



Adult Education/Small Groups

Description: Develops, leads and teaches Church curriculum for the spiritual maturity of the adult parishioner.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by growing in faith so that together we can achieve maturity in the knowledge of God and his son Jesus Christ.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Small Group Coordinator/Trainer - Recruits and trains new small group hosts. Provides curriculum for groups and/or clubs.

Small Group Host - Opens up home to have small group meetings with provided curriculum. Must go through Host training. Primary gift for this role should be hospitality.

Small Group Participant - Have a desire to connect with others in the church Parish through smaller groups that meet in homes or on church property.

Discipleship

To serve and glorify God
by creating an environment
of biblical and practical
teaching that fosters a
culture of growing faith
and lifelong learning.

Children's Ministries

KIDS' Church

Description: Sunday worship venues are offered at both services for children ages 4 - 10. Designed just for kids with an exceptional children's liturgy, live music, singing, story-telling and crafts through an excellent Bible-based curriculum.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by expanding children's knowledge of the Bible, the Gospel and the traditions of the Episcopal Church and worship.

Volunteer Opportunities:

All volunteers must certify with the diocese and complete the 'Safeguarding God's Children' seminar.

Teachers: Plan and lead worship and small group sessions.

Assistants: Duties vary, but may include: general assistance with the children during worship, prayer and related activities.



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Nursery/Childcare

Description: St. Peter's has two nurseries; the baby room and toddler room.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by providing a safe, loving environment for childcare during church services and functions.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Parents and parishioners may volunteer to assist the staff who oversee the nursery. Volunteers must complete the "Safeguarding God's Children" seminar.

Sunday School

Description: Classes in Christian discipleship are offered each week. Sunday School for children ages 4-11 meets between Sunday worship services. Children enjoy games, Bible stories, crafts, snack and prayer as they explore Christ's teachings for Godly living.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by helping the children of St. Peter's to have a better understanding of the Bible and bring them to a closer relationship with God.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Teachers or Assistants: Parishioners who possess a love and concern for children and who will commit to teach or assist on a regular, on-going schedule. All volunteers must complete the "Safeguarding God's Children" seminar.

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Cursillo

Description: A three-day weekend course in Christianity with an emphasis on discipleship and service in the Christian community. Cursillo is a movement which helps to renew and deepen Christian commitment.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by helping those in the church understand their individual calling to be Christian leaders; to maintain accountability to one's Christian life of worship, discipleship, and apostolic action through the Cursillo method.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Upon completion of the Cursillo weekend there are a variety of ways in which one may serve. While there are opportunities for involvement in planning and implementation of future Cursillos or Ultreyas (group reunions), emphasis is placed upon leadership and discipleship.

Healing Prayer

Description: A team of two trained prayer ministers meets with individuals who are hurting from life's difficulties, and prays for the healing of their heart.

Purpose:

To serve and glorify God by praying for people to receive healing from all things that oppress or defeat them, so they can live in the freedom, joy and peace of Christ.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Prayer Team Leader: Coordinates prayer team training and development, and the healing prayer ministry.

Prayer Team Members: Participates in Healing Prayer training, and healing prayer appointments.



St. Peter's Men's Society

Description: Provides a Christian environment for men at St. Peter's Lake Mary and the community to connect in fellowship and grow spiritually, and for the opportunity to support the Rector, Vestry and Youth Minister with the needs of the Church and its ministries. St. Peter's Men's Society hosts monthly dinners with featured guest speaker, as well as regular men's outings for fun.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God by encouraging "family building" (both the church family and personal family), and for personal growth.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Coordinator/Leader: Coordinates monthly gatherings focusing on fellowship, spiritual growth and outreach.

Member: Participate with peers in meetings and outings.

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Women's Bible Study

Description: A group of Parish women coming together weekly to study the Bible, learning and sharing scriptural knowledge and practicing Biblical teachings through prayer and fellowship.

Purpose: To serve and glorify God through Christian education and fellowship.

Opportunities:

Meet weekly at St. Peter's for study and fellowship, and monthly lunch outings.

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