

Faith Formation Shared Ministry Descriptions

Use the following descriptions to help you decide which ministry best fits your time and talents. Check your choice on the front of this form. * Asterisk after all opportunities mean that volunteers who work with children and youth must complete a background check and a VIRTUS training session.

Sunday School

Catechist: *Minister to a group of 8 children for 20 sessions using supplied lessons and materials. Attend catechist trainings and enrichment sessions.

Student Helper: Assist catechist and children as needed.

Substitute Catechist: *Catechist support in case of illness or absence.

Office Aid: *Assist with projects and set-up supplies.

Elementary and Middle School

Lead Catechist: * Work with program coordinator and catechists of a specific grade level in implementing lessons for 23 sessions on selected evening for 1 ½ hr. Attend catechist trainings and enrichment sessions.

Small Group Catechist: * Minister to a group of 6-7 children/youth for 23 sessions on selected evening for 1 ½ hr., using prepared lessons. Attend catechist trainings and enrichment sessions.

Substitute Catechist: * Be available, sometimes on short notice, to substitute for a catechist.

Office Helper: Assist in formation room with projects, hand out supplies, pick-up attendance forms and make phone calls.

Childcare Aid: * Arrive 15 minutes prior to session time. Entertain and care for the children of catechists for a 1 ½ hrs.

Hall Monitor: * Arrive 15 minutes prior to sessions and assist in maintaining orderly conduct in the hallways and bathrooms.

Evening Prayer Cantor or Musician: * Please see Chris if interested in volunteering for these ministries.

Special Event Helper: Plan and assist with the preparation, set-up, clean-up, and/or assist children/youth for a special event.

RCIA for Children and Youth

Breaking Open the Word Facilitator: * Reflect with the youth on the readings of the day, facilitate growth in knowledge and understanding of Scripture, and facilitate connection of Scripture to everyday living for 1 hour approximately 2 Sundays a month.

Session Leader: * Lead the session with materials and support provided by the Coordinator on 1 or 2 Sundays from 8:30-11:30 am.

Session Assistant: * Assist the Session Leader. Help with set-up and/or clean-up, greet and support the participants.

Sponsor/Companion Family: * Commitment is two Sundays per month. Provides support to the children and parent(s) of one RCIA family, and attends RCIA Sessions, rites and retreats with the family.

Seamstress: Sew baptismal gowns, cloths for home prayer spaces, etc, as needed.

Vacation Bible School

Crew Leader: * Lead a crew of 5 children through VBS stations.

Childcare Assistant: * Care for volunteers children during program.

Snack Prep Assistant: * Help Station Leaders prep for children.

Clean-Up Helper: Must be available on August 7th, time flexible.

Dinner Server/ Clean Up: Help at the family supper.

Family Night Activity Coordinator: Choose activities for children and coordinate prizes and volunteer needs.

Videographer – Photographer: * Photograph and/or video record VBS events.

Family Night Out

Creative Input Member: Serve with a creative group to help plan "Family Nights Out."

Hospitality Helper: Arrive 15 minutes before event begins to greet families. Help serve refreshments.

Set-up Helper: Assist in setting up for Family Night Out event.

Clean-up Helper: Remain after event to help clean up.

First Reconciliation

Learning Center Helper: * Assist once a year in September at this event for our families. Tasks include greeting families, offering directions, stocking/straightening tables and assisting as needed.

Celebration/Reception Helper: * Assist once a year in the fall at the Reconciliation Celebrations. Tasks include setting up/serving hospitality to those families participating.

First Eucharist

Learning Center Helper: * Assist once a year in September at this event for our families. Tasks include greeting families, offering directions, stocking/straightening tables and assisting as needed.

Retreat/Ice Cream Social Helper: * Assist once a year in March. Tasks include setting up/serving hospitality to those families participating.

Mass Greeter: * Greet families and get them seated/settled for the celebration. First Communion weekends are the end of April and beginning of May.

High School

Teens In Action Catechist: * Lead a small group of youth through approximately 5 prepared lessons, plan 5 group service projects, and guide your small group through a day long retreat each year for two years. Attend catechist trainings and enrichment sessions.

Small Group Formation Catechist: * Lead a small group of youth through prepared lessons, plan a group service project, and guide your group through a day long retreat each year for three years. Attend catechist trainings and enrichment sessions.

9th Grade Formation Hall Monitor/ Greeter: * Arrive 15 minutes prior to the sessions on Sunday evenings and assist in maintaining orderly conduct in hallways, bathrooms, and the gathering space during the sessions.

9th Grade Substitute Catechist: * Be available to substitute for catechists when they are not able to attend on Sunday evenings.

Office Room Helper: Arrive 15 minutes before class and assist with projects, hand out supplies, and make attendance phone calls.

Large Group Event Helper: Act as a greeter and assist in other ways at the large group events on certain Sunday evenings.

Retreat Lunch Helper: Help prepare, serve and clean-up lunch at our high school retreats.

Other

Registration Helper: Assist in the registration process during on-site registration times.

Photographer: * Photograph formation events.

Baker: Supply cookies, bars etc. for formation events. Bakers will be contacted when needed.

Special Event Kitchen Helper: Provide support in kitchen, preparing, set-up, serving, and clean-up for special formation events.

Musician – vocalist-instrumentalist: * Share your talents for formation events as needed.

Foreign Language: Able to speak another language fairly well, if needed, as our formation programs continue to grow and expand.

Youth Ministry Opportunities

Summer Stretch Information: See Chris Belanger

Middle School Madness Information: See Jamie Schlough

Remaining Opportunities: See Becky Phillips

