

SIMPLY

Serve

I PETER 4:10



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*We were created for service
and we are never more like Jesus
then when we are serving others!*



A NOTE FROM PASTOR HANTHORN

Simply Serve

When the Lord of Glory became a man, He came not as a king, a warrior, a priest or a scholar, but He took on the “form of a servant.” One of the best examples of this can be found in John 13. In this account of the Last Supper, Jesus took a towel and washed the feet of His disciples. This was by no means a religious ceremony. It was simply act of service – one often performed by house servants or slaves. In this act of humility, Jesus provided a vivid picture of what it means to serve others. Even at that critical moment of His life, just before His crucifixion, He was not preoccupied with himself. His focus, energy and passion were directed toward others and their needs.

SERVING OTHERS IS ONE OF THE PRINCIPLE WAYS CHRISTIANS CAN SERVE THE LORD.

In fact, Jesus said that when we serve the “least of these” we are actually serving Him (Matthew 25:40). For followers of Christ, there is no greater joy or fulfillment in life than serving in the body of Christ. Furthermore, there is no better way to experience the presence and person of Jesus in our own lives, than by serving those whom He loves. God has blessed each of us with talents, skills, passions and opportunities for the purpose of serving Him and advancing His cause.

PHILIPPIANS 2:7
But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

MARK 10:45
For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

JOHN 13:14-15
If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

MATTHEW 25:40
And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 PETER 4:10

With that thought in mind, our church is launching the **Simply Serve** volunteer initiative.

► THE GOAL OF SIMPLY SERVE

To provide a path for everyone in our church to serve the Kingdom of God in meaningful ways.

► WE INVITE YOU

Please join us, as we explore ways in which we can better serve one another, the local church and our community.

In this brochure you will find a detailed path to service and helpful information about the ministries of Christian Life Church. Please prayerfully consider a deeper level of involvement in the high calling of serving others.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Who can participate?

Every member of CLC, age 12 and over, is encouraged to participate in this initiative. Even if you are new to our church, this is a great way to get involved.

Do I need to have training or experience?

While some opportunities may require certain skills, everyone can serve in one area or another. Some ministry, teaching, and leadership positions require specific ministry training and the signing of a leadership covenant.

Why get involved?

Involvement in this effort will bless you and the body of Christ. This effort will foster greater connection to the body of Christ and will serve to advance the vision that God has given this local church. We cannot grow without each other.

Can we serve as a family?

There may be some opportunities that will allow for entire families to serve together. Please specify on your survey if this is your desire.

How often will I be asked to serve?

It all depends on your availability and the area in which you desire to serve. Some areas of service are weekly and others may only occur occasionally.

What kind of time commitment will this require?

Some volunteer opportunities may involve a higher level of time commitment than others. There are plenty of opportunities with varied levels of time commitment, so that everyone should be able to serve no matter their time limitations.

What do I need to do after registering?

After you complete and submit the survey there is no need to do anything further. Your information will be added to our database and matched with volunteer opportunities as needed.

When will I be contacted?

You will be contacted by a member of our team within a month. The information from the surveys must be processed and matched to current needs before placement can begin.

I'm already serving—does this apply to me?

Yes, we are asking everyone to fill out the survey. While you may already be involved, there could be other areas that you would prefer to serve in. Or, you may have skills and talents that are presently underutilized.



The Path to Simply Serve

4 SIMPLE STEPS

1

Spend Time in Prayer

Please prayerfully consider what gifts, talents, skills or opportunities you could use to serve the Kingdom of God.

2

Complete the Simply Serve Survey

The survey is available two convenient ways: (1) online* at CLCWI.COM/Simply-Serve and (2) printed forms are available at the lobby desk.

3

Wait for Placement

All surveys will be reviewed by the CLC Volunteer Coordinator, who will then work with department and ministry leaders to match your skills and passions with volunteer opportunities.

4

Join the Team and Begin Serving

You will be contacted within the next month. You may be invited to join a particular volunteer team or placed on a volunteer list.

*RECOMMENDED METHOD

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY

Administration

Church administration is in many ways the glue that holds the church together. It is the record keeping and communications hub of our local assembly. There are many ways to serve in this ministry—assisting with data entry, mailers, filing, editing and other office projects.

Marketing and Outreach

For those who are gifted at graphic design or skilled in the area of marketing, this ministry provides great opportunity for involvement. These opportunities could include preparing the weekly bulletin, maintaining the church website, working on campaigns and helping prepare mailers.

Building and Maintenance

God has blessed us with a wonderful campus that provides many opportunities for fellowship and ministry. We are very grateful for this space and do our best to keep the building and grounds well maintained. Our campus provides many volunteer opportunities including building projects, routine maintenance, cleaning and landscaping.

Missions

It is the calling and privilege of CLC to support those called to global missions. CLC currently partners with more than fifty missionaries around the globe. There are opportunities to serve in this ministry by sending cards or care packages to our missionaries and supporting our annual Faith Promise weekend.

Special Events

Our Special Events ministry serves the body of Christ by helping to facilitate important events at CLC. These events include weddings, funerals, and church-wide fellowships. Whether it is serving at our annual picnics or helping with weddings, funerals and baby showers, this ministry provides a host of opportunities to serve.

Hyphen and Campus (CMI) Ministry

Just as a hyphen is a symbol used to connect two words or thoughts, CLC's Hyphen and CMI ministries seek to connect college and career focused young adults to God, church, ministry and each other. This ministry also meets weekly for outreach and services on the UWM campus. There are a number of ways to get involved assisting this important outreach arm.

Sound and Multimedia

This ministry works to make each service excellent and distraction free. The responsibilities include providing quality sound and lighting control for all services and special events, as well as managing all in-service multimedia presentations. Serving in this ministry could involve working with sound and lighting and may also include operating the multimedia computer during services and special events.

Men's Ministry

The Men's ministry at CLC exists to encourage and equip our men to live morally pure and spiritually strong. This ministry provides opportunities for service through men's work days on campus and by providing assistance to elderly members and those with special needs. This assistance may involve anything from lawn care to handy man projects.

Ladies' Ministry

Our Ladies' Ministry exists to move ladies toward a deeper relationship with Christ and to develop long lasting relationships with each other. The Ladies Ministry offers a variety of ways to get involved in serving others. Helping with church décor, special events, hospitality baskets, or preparing meals for those who are sick are just a handful of ways the Ladies Ministry serves CLC.

Children's Ministry

Our Children's ministries are all about equipping kids to know God and grow in a relationship with Him. This is done through Sunday School classes, Kid's Church, Wednesday Kid's Study and summer camps. There are many ways to serve in this ministry. Whether it is preparing snacks, decorating classrooms, providing child care, or working with special needs children, this ministry provides countless opportunities to serve.

Student Ministry

The Chosen Generation student ministries are very active in ministering to our students. They meet weekly for Synthesize youth service, raise funds to purchase vehicles for missionaries through the annual SFC drive, and attend youth rallies, camps and conferences. Our student ministries can always use help with transportation, scholarships and in the area of fundraising.

Willowbrook Place Ministry

Our church is privileged to host regular song services at a local assisted living facility. This is a great opportunity for those who would like to serve the elderly. Individuals can get involved by signing up to sing or simply attend these services as a way to support the residents.

Bookstore

Our bookstore provides important resources to the CLC membership, as well as podcasting for those who listen to our services online. There are plenty of ways to get involved in this ministry, including serving in the bookstore or assisting with maintaining our podcasts.

Please note that while many volunteer opportunities are open to everyone, there are certain areas of ministry which may require additional classes and the signing of a leadership covenant. These positions include, but may not be limited to all departmental leadership, preaching/teaching positions and the music ministry.

Transportation Ministry

CLC's Transportation Ministry serves the body of Christ by helping to provide transportation for those who do not have a ride to church and by maintaining our vans for use by our departments. This ministry provides several opportunities to serve as a weekly driver, event driver and to help maintain our church vans on a regular basis.

Care Ministries

The Bridge Recovery Ministry and Grief Share Ministry both serve to assist those who are facing challenging life circumstances. Each ministry can provide a number of opportunities to serve the church and community by helping to support and facilitate regular group meetings.

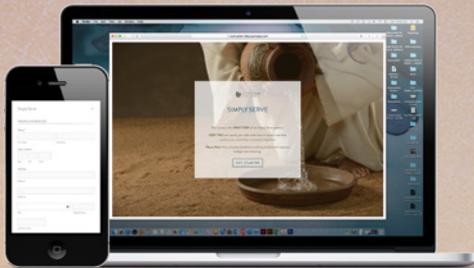
Interpretive Ministries

Both our Spanish Interpretation and Sign Language Interpretation teams seek to assist in and ensure that our weekly services can be enjoyed by those who are hearing impaired or may only speak Spanish. If you are skilled in either of these areas, this may be a great way for you to get involved.

Other Ministries

There are many other active ministries at CLC including Music Ministry, First Impressions, Prison Ministry, Singles Ministry, Legacy Seniors Ministry and Young Marrieds Ministry. Each of these ministries are actively involved in serving the body of Christ and may also provide meaningful ways for you to get involved.

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Contact our Volunteer Coordinator at
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