



Congregational Care



*PROVIDING CARE AND SUPPORT
TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF*

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Nashville, Tennessee

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Westminster's Congregational Care Ministry responds to our shared mission of Living Out the Word by reaching out to provide care and support to members and friends. The Congregational Care Steering Committee seeks your assistance in identifying and communicating needs as we strive to serve each other.

Please contact members of the Steering Committee, or Rev. Stephanie Boaz, regarding care needs or desires to serve in our care ministry. You may call the church office, 615-292-5526, for contact information.

Congregational Care Steering Committee:

Lisa Atkinson, chair
Stephanie Boaz, staff
Mary Prue Alley
Jennifer Anderson
Jim Barr

Jennifer Corbett
George Luscombe
Keith Maddin
Rosemary Verrall
Frank Wade

- **Communion@Home Ministry**
On the first Sunday of each month, pairs of elders take communion to at-home members of Westminster. Some elders also make phone calls to those receiving communion kits at home.
Contact: Jim Barr
615-975-0948
jim@barrgroupinc.com
Emily Coleman
615-579-0870
emilyandersonart32@gmail.com
- **Independent Living Ministry**
This team visits members living in independent living situations in retirement centers. Each team member visits a different person each month.
Contact: Nancy Langdon
615-948-8254
nancylangdon64@gmail.com
- **Special Meals Ministry**
This group takes meals to the homes of members during times of special need.
Contact: Cathey Fuqua
615-269-6646
catheyfuqua@hotmail.com
- **Worship Flower Delivery Ministry**
This team delivers the sanctuary chancel flowers to members of the congregation who are homebound, or in other times of need.
Contact: Jane McDow
615-390-4149
mcdowjane@gmail.com
- **Pastor's Aides Ministry**
This group of men and women visits members who reside in assisted living facilities, nursing homes, or who are mostly homebound. Each team member visits the same assigned people monthly.
Contact: Jane McDow
615-390-4149
mcdowjane@gmail.com
- **Hospital Care Ministry**
This team makes visits as needed Wednesdays and Fridays to members of our congregation who are hospitalized, and also prays and sends cards.
Contact: Rosemary Verrall
615-584-4545 (c)
rverrall@msn.com

- Medical Equipment Lending Closet Ministry**
 Westminster maintains a supply of durable medical equipment for use by those in need. Among the items available are walkers, wheelchairs, shower seats, toilet chairs, and crutches.
Contact: Ward DeWitt III
 615-500-3761
 dewittmoving@comcast.net
- Special Care Ministry**
 In longer-term situations of significant on-going need, special care teams are formed.
Staff Contact: Stephanie Boaz
 615-292-5526
 sboaz@nashvillewpc.org
- Caring Connections Ministry**
 This team cares for members under -going rehabilitation following orthopedic surgeries and hospitalizations.
Contact: Sylvia Leins
 615-243-9773
 srleins@gmail.com
- Prayer Blankets & Shawls Ministry**
 We offer care for members and friends who are hospitalized, going through rehabilitation, or other special needs through prayer blankets and prayer shawls – as needed and desired, or to help with simple sewing.
Contact: Sylvia Leins
 615-243-9773
 srleins@gmail.com
- Memory Loss Outreach**
 This team has received training in understanding and supporting people and caregivers dealing with memory loss (dementia, Alzheimer's, and other forms of cognitive decline). Resources, education, and support offered.
- Contact: Rhea Bucy**
 bucyr@gssrm.com
 615-715-7808
Sylvia Leins
 615-243-9773
 srleins@gmail.com
- Bereavement Ministry**
 This team offers support at times of loss, at the first year anniversary, and at the first holidays. Grief resources, referrals, support group options, and end-of-life planning assistance also offered.
Contact: Elaine Williams
 615-708-5341
 elainefwilliams@gmail.com
- Prayer Ministry**
 The Prayer Team prays for all prayer requests received from individuals, ministry staff, and pew prayer request cards. The team meets together monthly to pray as a group, and prays throughout the month as well for prayer needs received. All confidential requests are respected.
Contact: Theresa Carl
 615-812-3261
 tgccarl@gmail.com
Staff Contact: Stephanie Boaz
 615-292-5526
 sboaz@nashvillewpc.org
- Families with Young Children Ministry**
 This care team supports couples, families, and children, pregnancy through grade 6 and responds to needs for care in a variety of ways.
Contact: Zak Keiper
 615-636-6951
 zkeiper@gmail.com
- Adjunct Meals Team for New Baby Families & Other Young Families in Times of Need**
 This care team provides meals as needed. Volunteers help as available.
Contact: Leslie Grote
 615-973-1530
 lesgrote@gmail.com

Additional Services and Resources

- **Care Notes**

These informative brochures are available on the Mayfair Information Desk, and at the North Entrance. They cover a range of care needs and topics.

- **Knitting and Crocheting Ministry: Joy in Learning**

Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels meet in the church parlor every Thursday morning, 10 a.m.—12 p.m. to work on a variety of creations, including baptismal caps, baby blankets, and hats for those unhoused.

Contact: Sheppy Vann – sheppyvann310@gmail.com; 919-622-2655

- **Baking Ministry: Joy in Learning**

The baking ministry of Joy in Learning creates baked goods to share with our older members, and for other needs within and beyond the church.

Contact: Ann Schulze – annschulze@outlook.com; 615-761-4766

- **12-Step Programs**

AA, Saturdays, 11:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m., Koinonia Youth Café, Westminster

Contact: Steve Roberts - boxofminds@gmail.com; 615-476-4269

- **Prayer Requests**

The Prayer Team of the Congregational Care Committee and the pastors are called to be in prayer for the needs of the congregation. Prayer request cards can be found in the pew racks, or please reach out to any staff member with needs for prayer.

- **Pre-Planning Services of Witness to the Resurrection**

Help with pre-planning is provided by all pastors.

Staff Contact: Stephanie Boaz, sboaz@nashvillewpc.org or 615-292-5526.

- **Advent Service of Hope and Healing**

This service is held early in Advent on a Sunday evening to support members entering the Christmas season who are dealing with grief and loss, sadness or depression, or other needs for healing of body, mind, spirit, or relationships.

- **Weddings, Funerals and Counseling Services**

These services are provided by all pastors.

Contact: The church office at 615-292-5526 for more information.

- **Senior Resources and Advance Directives Planning**

A range of resources are available through the Congregational Care library. Pastoral support offered for advance directives planning as desired.

- **All Saints' Columbarium Service**

The first Sunday in November, an afternoon service is offered lifting up those we are remembering in special ways.