

Committees and Ministries of the Parish

Acolytes

Children and youth may serve the parish as torchbearers, crucifers and book-bearers. At the start of 3rd grade, children are invited to train as torchbearers. At the start of 6th grade, torchbearers may train as crucifers and book-bearers. Acolytes are scheduled to serve one Sunday a month during the Rite II worship service. They are trained by the Rector and guided each Sunday by an Acolyte Leader.

Adult Choir

Members of the parish with musical talents are invited to join the adult choir. The choir performs each Sunday during the Rite II service. The choir holds rehearsal at 9:30 each Sunday morning year-round. The choir is led by Resurrection's Director of Music, Donna Brooks.

Adult Forum

All adult members of the parish may attend this formation time. During the forum, we typically read and discuss a book with application to our Christian journey. The forum meets between the Rite I and Rite II services on Sunday mornings for about 45 minutes for a period of six weeks at least twice annually. The Sunday Morning forum is coordinated by the Associate Lay Minister for Families and Outreach, currently Elizabeth Floyd. Additionally, an adult forum is held on Wednesday evenings in September and during Lent, and is led by our Rector, Mary Balfour Dunlap.

Altar Guild

Members of the parish support the worship of the congregation by preparing the altar and maintaining the altar linens. The guild coordinates their service through a monthly schedule with one member serving as chair for each month. They prepare the altar for both Sunday services and special services, such as weddings and burials. The Altar Guild's ministry is currently led by its coordinator, Beverly Wilson.

Becoming Beloved Community

This committee helps the parish carry out our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being. It facilitates the parish's vision to welcome and affirm all persons, especially those historically marginalized or harmed due to their race, ethnicity, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation. The committee is led by its co-chairs, Shana Southard-Dobbs and Joanne Hochheimer. At least one member of the Vestry serves as liaison to this committee.

Blessing Box Committee

Through the generosity of the late Maria Paz Lopez, Resurrection installed a small blessing box near our parking lot facing Marion Avenue. Volunteers from our parish fill the box weekly with food and toiletry items. Each volunteer's responsibility lasts one month per year. Leadership of this committee is provided by the Associate Lay Minister for Families and Outreach, currently Elizabeth Floyd.

Building and Grounds Committee

The Building and Grounds Committee ensures that all parish property – real and personal – is maintained well, safe and functional for use by the parish. Committee members set priorities and monitor spending against the approved annual budget. Sub-committees are formed on an *ad hoc* basis to complete major repairs, additions or renovations. At least one member of the Vestry serves as liaison to this committee.

Columbarium

Resurrection provides for the internment of cremated remains in our columbarium in the parish courtyard. Purchase of a niche is currently coordinated by Dean Faden.

CO3R Tutoring

CO3R is an afterschool program through which children attending elementary or middle school receive academic support from volunteers. Tutoring sessions take place each Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30 in Emmaus Hall. Tutoring is one-on-one and free of charge. A light snack is provided to students at each session. CO3R is directed by the Associate Lay Minister for Families and Outreach, currently Elizabeth Floyd.

C.O.R.Y. (Church of the Resurrection Youth)

Resurrection offers formation and fellowship programs for older children from 6th through 12th grade. C.O.R.Y. meets every Sunday evening during the academic year from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. They play games, share devotional time and then conclude with a dinner provided by volunteers from our parish. In addition, C.O.R.Y. goes on field trips and performs service projects for the parish and the community. Currently, C.O.R.Y. is led by Diana Carver and our Rector, Mary Balfour Dunlap.

Creation Care Team

The mission of Resurrection's Creation Care Team is to guide the parish toward sound and achievable policies and protocols intended to conserve natural resources and lessen waste; to educate parishioners about human impact, conservation and our Christian calling to be stewards of natural resources; and to advocate for sustainable practices in our parish and

the larger community. The Team meets monthly on Wednesday evenings and is led by a coordinator, currently Elizabeth Floyd.

Daughters of the King, St. Margaret's Chapter (DOK)

DOK is an international fellowship of prayer and service. They compile prayer lists at their quarterly meetings and pray daily for the concerns of our parishioners. The Daughters also have a card ministry and often provide meals in times of pastoral need. The DOK is led by its chair, currently Summer Booker.

Education for Ministry (EfM)

EfM is a four-year program from the School of Theology at Sewanee designed for those seeking discernment for lay ministry or who simply want to learn more about the Bible, church history, and theology. EfM programming is carried out through independent study and small group discussions that occur weekly for about 36 weeks of the academic year. It is led by Chuck McDonnell.

Episcopal Church Women – St. Agnes Chapter (ECW)

All women of the parish may participate in ECW. They meet monthly for study, prayer, and fellowship. Leadership of ECW is currently provided by Susu Wallace.

Eucharistic Ministers

Members of the parish may assist the Celebrant with the administration of Holy Eucharist. They are trained for this service by the Rector and licensed by the Bishop. Eucharistic members serve during the worship service they regularly attend. Their service schedule is coordinated by the Parish Administrator.

Eucharistic Visitors

Members of the parish may assist the Rector in supporting the spiritual lives of home-bound parishioners by visiting them and sharing in the sacrament of Holy Communion. Eucharistic visitors are trained by the Rector and licensed by the Bishop.

Finance

The Finance Committee manages and safeguards the parish's assets and investments. Committee members also facilitate the development and monitoring of the annual operating budget in coordination with the parish's financial contractor. Committee members serve three-year terms. New members are chosen by the committee and confirmed by the Vestry. Leadership of the Finance Committee is provided by the Parish Treasurer, currently John Scurry, and the Rector, Mary Balfour Dunlap. At least one member of the Vestry serves as liaison to this committee.

Flower Guild

Members of our parish take apart the altar flowers and arrange them in smaller vases to be delivered to other members' homes. Guild volunteers serve once a month and accomplish their task following the Rite II service. Currently our Rector, Mary Balfour Dunlap, schedules the Flower Guild ministry.

Flower Delivery

Members of our parish deliver flowers taken from our Sunday altar arrangement to the homes of other members of our parish. The flower delivery ministry occurs weekly and is coordinated by Susu Wallace.

Ladies Bible Study

All women of the church are welcome to attend this bible study on Thursday evenings at 5:30. Although referred to as a "bible study," this gathering accomplishes much more. They enjoy fellowship, prayer and support, and their studies often include books alongside the bible. Laura Beth Brooks coordinates these gatherings, which are held for a period of several weeks about twice a year.

Laundry Love

Members of our parish take home and wash the linens used for hospitality following each Sunday's services. Laundry Love volunteers serve twice a quarter, and their service is coordinated by our Rector.

Lectors

Adults and older youth in the parish may support the congregation's worship through reading scripture and leading our prayer liturgy. Lectors serve about once a quarter in the worship service they regularly attend on a schedule that is coordinated by the Parish Administrator.

Mission Partnerships Committee

The Mission Partnerships Committee implements the parish's vision to serve God and neighbor as instruments of God's will. The Committee members:

1. Form relationships with local organizations that serve the community without regard for profit.
2. Coordinate the Second Sunday Give program, which gathers on a monthly basis in-kind donations for specific community organizations with whom the parish has a mission partnership.
3. Educate and inform the parish about the work of local community service organizations, as well as opportunities for volunteer service and financial support.

4. Coordinate fund-raising efforts of the parish that support the budget of the Mission Partnerships Committee.
5. Distribute on an annual basis the Mission Partnerships budget balance to the organizations.

This Committee meets quarterly between the Rite I and Rite II services and is currently led by Jan Puzar. At least one member of the Vestry serves as a liaison to this committee, and the Associate Lay Minister for Families and Outreach also helps to coordinate the committee's activities.

Newcomers

The Newcomers Committee implements the parish's vision to welcome and embrace visitors and new members. Committee members bring welcome boxes to visitors whom the Rector identifies and organize and host occasional gatherings of new members. The Newcomers Committee is currently led by Susu Wallace. At least one member of the Vestry serves as liaison to this committee.

Nursery Care

Resurrection offers nursery care during the Rite II service for infants and preschoolers. We have a nursery attendant on staff, currently Mary Bright, who oversees each child's care. The nursery attendant is supported by volunteers from our parish. Volunteer scheduling is coordinated by Elizabeth Floyd.

Parish Life

The Parish Life Team implements the parish's vision to gather in Jesus' name and to show hospitality toward parishioners and visitors. Team members take turns coordinating food and logistics for social occasions of the parish, such as:

1. Coordinate the schedule for Sunday hospitality
2. Epiphany or Twelfth Night Celebration
3. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Bingo Night
4. Meals for occasional Wednesday evening programs
5. Easter Sunday reception
6. Youth Sunday reception
7. Pentecost Picnic
8. Parish Retreat
9. Advent Pizza and Trivia Night

Leadership of the Parish Life Team is currently provided by the Rector, Mary Balfour Dunlap.

Primetimers

Senior members of the parish gather monthly on Thursdays at lunchtime for fellowship and education. Their gatherings are coordinated by Jan Puzar.

Resurrection Foundation

A group of trustees manages Resurrection's endowment of funds, promotes planned giving, and makes funds available to the church. They are elected by the Vestry for three-year terms.

Resurrection Roots

Youngish members of the parish may enjoy fellowship and discipleship together as the Resurrection Roots. They hold activities on a monthly basis, which are coordinated by Laura Beth Brooks and other Roots members.

Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee organizes and leads the parish's annual pledge drive and stewardship dinner. This committee is led by its coordinator, the Rector, and at least one member of the Vestry.

Sunday Hospitality

Individuals and families may select one Sunday a quarter to provide refreshments following the Rite II worship service. The schedule for Sunday Hospitality is currently arranged by the Rector, but soon will be coordinated by the Parish Life Team.

Ushers

Individuals may serve the parish by greeting worshipers as they arrive, offering a bulletin or other requested information, collecting the Offertory and guiding the procession at Communion. Scheduling for ushers is arranged by the Parish Administrator.

Vestry

The governing board of the parish is our Vestry. It meets monthly and its meetings are chaired by the Senior Warden or Rector. The Vestry is charged with all the temporalities of the parish – finance, facilities, the parish's relationship to its clergy. A nominating committee meets each fall to raise up the next class of Vestry members, who are elected at the Annual Meeting for a three-year term.