

## SHARING YOUR GIFTS AND TALENTS IN 2017-2018

Each confirmed member is asked to fill out the sign up pages each year during our Stewardship Event at Cross of Hope Church and Schools.

Did you know that God has given each one of us a set of spiritual gifts? Once we discover what they are, and use them as He intended, our lives will be filled with meaning and purpose.

When we begin to live the way God intended, using the gifts and talents He has given us, our lives will be filled with joy. How do you discover your spiritual gifts? First, listen to your heart. What things strike a chord with you? What do you feel called to do? Pray about it and see where God leads you.

Below are descriptions of **some** spiritual gifts and opportunities at Cross of Hope to put them in action. Pick one and see what happens. If you've found the right one, you will love doing what you are doing. Those you are serving will see God in you through your service and the joy it brings you. And, most importantly, they will feel God's love. The tasks available at Cross of Hope are shown on the sign-up portion of these pages. **Please use those pages to sign up and return to the Church Office.**

*Helping:* Those with this gift assist others with practical deeds, especially during critical times. These helpful deeds, done out of Christian love, have lasting powerful effects.

### **Caring Ministries**

*Nurturing Leadership:* To lead by sheltering, guiding, modeling, and other parenting type behavior. Christians with this gift are dedicated to guiding individuals and watching over them as they grow.

### **Youth Ministries**

*Teaching the Faith:* Is the ability to clearly explain the Christian faith and teach others how to apply it to their daily lives. Christians with this gift live what they teach.

### **Christian Education**

*Visionary and Managing Leadership:* Involves directing, governing, guiding and setting a course. Those with this gift communicate visions and plan to help others get from where they are to where they are called to be.

### **Church Leadership**

*Generosity:* Enables Christians to share joyfully and passionately what they have and who they are with others.

### **Evangelism/Hospitality, Music**

*Mercy:* The exceptional ability to perform acts of kindness and compassion to others. These acts of kindness are tangible results of a caring heart and loving spirit.

### **Outreach Ministries**

*Knowing:* Having a deep, personal relationship with Jesus Christ and sharing the insights gained from it with others. These Christians understand and experience Jesus as real, and convey to others the love and warmth that springs from this intimate relationship.

### **Small Group Ministries**

*Evangelism:* Christians who share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ in natural and simple ways that touch people where they most need to experience God's love.

### **Worship Ministries**

*Servanthood:* Is a humble and unpretentious way of thinking, being, and doing. Christians with this gift minister without regard for recognition or public affirmation.

### **Church Admin and Property Maintenance, Communication Ministries, Finance Ministries, Special Events, Technical Operations.**

# Celebrate!

## Your Gifts and Talents at Cross of Hope Lutheran Church and Schools

Another option is to go online and fill this form out  
<http://www.crossofhope.org/church-forms/online-forms>



2017  
Response  
Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Use one form per person please)

Preferred phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to serve at \_\_\_ 8:30 or \_\_\_ 10:45 a.m.  
\_\_\_ 6:30 p.m. Wednesday

### We offer with joy and thanksgiving our lives for God's work!

Please consider your Spiritual Gifts--your passion for ministry and offer your time and talents to serve with us as we live into God's mission for the world. Please fill this out individually and return it to the Church Office. Check as many options as you feel you wish to serve with your passion and the passion of your spiritual gifts.

I am signing up to help with:

#### Caring Ministries

- Crisis Care (meals)
- Heartstrings (visiting)
- Prayer Chain
- BeFrienders Ministry
- Transportation (drive for others)
- Member Care Caller
- Other

#### Outreach Ministries

- Albuquerque Rescue Mission
- Angel Tree
- Family Promise
- Prison Ministry
- Other

#### Evangelism/Hospitality

- HeBrews Coffee Shop server
- Cook food for events
- Host small groups in your home
- Organize/Lead small groups (fitness, sewing, cooking, etc.)
- Financial Peace University
- Clean-up after events
- Other

#### Church Leadership

- Council Member
- Preschool Board Member
- Elementary School Board Member
- Other

#### Youth Ministries

- Boy Scout Troop 126
- Mid-high Youth (MHY)
  - help plan events
- Senior High Youth (SHY)
  - help plan events
- W3 Wednesday Events for Youth and families
  - Cook W3 Meals
  - volunteer
  - help plan events
- Confirmation
  - Adult volunteer
- Prayer Buddy Team Member
- Other

#### Faith Formation

- Sunday School Teacher
- Adult Christian Ed. Leader
- Mid High W3 Bible Study
- Senior High W3 Bible Study
- Children's W3 Bible Study
- W3 Adult Bible Study
- W3 Children's Activities
- W3 Adult Activities
- Children's Music/Drama
- First Communion 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Church Librarian
- Vacation Bible School
- Special Needs Vacation Bible School
- Spiritual Gifts Trainer
- Other

#### Music Ministry

- Choir (8:30 a.m. service)
- Praise Team member (10:45 a.m. service)
- Offertory Soloists or Ensembles
- Music Librarian
- Other

#### Worship Ministry

- Acolyte (6<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Altar Guild
- Assisting Minister
- Banner Babes (make banners & other)
- Communion Bread & wine
- Lector (reader)
- Hosts
- Nursery volunteers
- Sanctuary Flowers
- Ushers
- Wedding Coordinator
- Outdoor Worship Set-up volunteer
- Other

Some tasks are not listed here, please contact the Worship Director for more details.



Preschool  
Christmas  
Program

Elementary  
School Chapel



[I am signing up to help](#)

### **Small Group Ministries**

- Adult Bible Study
- Women's Bible Study
- Hope Gardeners
- Men's Bible Study
- MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)
- Senior Lunch Bunch
- ELCA Women's Ministry
- Other

### **Computer & Technical Operations**

- Computer Maintenance and Networking
- Take Photo/Video
- Sound Booth Assistant
- Video Inventory Manager
- Website Maintenance
- Other

### **Special Events**

- Las Posadas
- OktHOPEfest (fall social)
- Pardi Gras (music/dinner before Lent)
- Seder (Maundy Thursday) Organizer
- Other

### **Finance Ministry**

- Bookkeeping
- Counter for weekly Sunday offerings
- Data Entry
- Stewardship Chairperson  
     volunteer
- Endowment Fund Team Member
- Audit Committee member
- Other

### **Communications Ministry**

- Rays of Hope Monthly Newsletter volunteer
- Rays of Hope Design Editor
- Lenten Devotions
- Website, Facebook
- Other

### **Property and Grounds Maintenance Ministry**

- Building Maintenance Leader
- Storage maintenance
- Grounds Maintenance Leader
- Maintain and repair lawn sprinkler systems
- Maintain and repair water system to trees on parking islands
- Lead clean-up days
- Serve as Temple Guard
- Other

### **Office Administration Ministry**

- Serve as scheduled Office volunteer
- Office helper
- Serve as Office Special Projects volunteer
- Church Historian/Photo Librarian
- Bulletin Board Manager
- Make Posters/calligraphy
- Manage Inventory process
- Other



Outdoor worship and baptism

**Spiritual Gifts** - those passions and talents God gives each of us to equip us for service to others in His name.

Each of us has the potential to change the world in big ways, and small ways, once we begin to live out our mission. And the really exciting part is because God has gifted us, our spiritual gifts will be things we enjoy doing!

Pray about the tasks and ministries on these pages and see where you feel God leading you to serve. He will equip you with skills--and passion--to serve in His name and it may surprise you where and how he wants you to serve! Pray. Be Bold. **Share your Spiritual Gifts**--talents, time, and resources with others at Cross of Hope to make a difference in our community.

If you have questions, please contact the Church Office at [Office@Crossofhope.org](mailto:Office@Crossofhope.org) or 505-897-0047.