

## **CHILDREN'S 2026-2027 STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT CARD DESCRIPTIONS**

### **Acolyte**

(Rising 4th and 5th grades) Acolytes are worship leaders who carry in the light and light the candles at the beginning of worship and carry the light out at the end of the service. They may also help with other worship leadership responsibilities during special services. Training is offered for those in fourth grade and up who would like to serve.

### **Card Ministry (with adult)**

Would you like to send cards to people who need to know that there are people thinking of them in their time of need? You will be paired with a long-term care or homebound member of our church and be asked to send them a card or note 3-4 times a year. It could be like having a special pen pal!

### **Cherub Choir**

(4 year olds to rising 1st grade) Sing a Joyful Noise unto the Lord! If you will be 4 years through 1st grade next school year, you can participate in Cherub Choir. You can use music to share your faith and show your love for God.

### **Church Mice (with adult)**

Keep it neat! Helpers are needed to keep offering envelopes and Welcome Pads stocked, as well as pencils sharpened. You could neaten the sanctuary for church during the week or before the Sunday service. Or, you could clean up in between Sunday services (before going to Sunday School).

### **Communion Preparation (with adult)**

Children who have completed the Worship and Sacrament Class offered each fall can help as part of a team that prepares the communion elements for the Lord's Supper. Training is required. Parent or guardian pairing is also required.

### **Cookie Baker**

This team provides home-baked cookies for the receiving of friends before or after a funeral at Unity, or whenever cookies are needed.

### **Covenant Choir**

(Rising 2nd-5th grades) Do you like to sing? Covenant choir is open to children who will be in second through fifth grade during the next school year. The choir practices on Sunday afternoons during the school year. The choir is an important part of the worship service throughout the year.

### **Family Promise Set-up or Meal Host (with/adult)**

Family Promise is a local non-profit organization that provides meals, shelter, support services, and life skills training for homeless parents and children. Unity participates in this mission by providing sleeping rooms and meals in our church to homeless families for one week four times per year. With a parent or guardian, children can help set-up for the week, prepare and serve a meal, or help clean-up after the week of hosting.

### **Go MAD Day (with adult)**

This intergenerational day of service offers a wide variety of mission options that children, youth and adults can participate in to make a difference in our community. Usually held on a Saturday, children are invited to sign up for the project of their choice with a parent. They will have the opportunity to work alongside other church members to serve in and learn more about one of the agencies that Unity supports.

### **Greeter/Offering Assistant**

Would you like to come to church a little early and help hand out bulletins and welcome people as they come into the Sanctuary for worship? With adults helping, children make great greeters. Additional work might include passing

the offering plate, checking the pews after the service, collecting Welcome Pad sheets after the 11:00 am service, and more. Training is required. Adult pairing is also required.

### **Instrumentalist**

Do you play an instrument? There are opportunities for instrumentalists to play during worship services and other programs.

### **Lay Leader in Worship**

Children who will be in 4th grade and higher during the next school year can assist in worship leadership for regular Sunday worship services and special services. This leadership might include leading the Call to Worship, leading prayers, and reading scripture. Training is required.

### **Nursing Home/Homebound Visitation (with adult)**

Would you like to go and visit someone who isn't able to get out much, either because they are elderly or because they are ill? A friendly face is a wonderful gift to people who are unable to get out of the house much! Training is required. Parent or guardian pairing is also required.

### **Seasonal Decorations (with adult)**

There are opportunities to set up, decorate, and pack up seasonal decorations for the sanctuary and other areas throughout the church during each season. Parent or guardian pairing is required.

### **Second Harvest Food Truck (with adult)**

Would you like to help distribute food to those in need? Children and youth volunteers can assist adult volunteers from Unity and other congregations in our area on the assigned workday with tasks such as unloading the truck of food, filling grocery bags, greeting guests, and distributing food to individuals.

### **Worship Bag Preparation (with adult)**

Two different sets of Worship Bags are available in the Narthex for pre-readers and for readers. Volunteers are needed to replenish Worship Bags each week prior to the following Sunday. Middle School youth are able to serve as volunteers. Children may serve with parent/guardian pairing. Training is required.