

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Purpose

The Worship committee supports and advises the pastor in the development of Sunday worship services. The committee works with the pastor to coordinate aspects of worship services including liturgical themes, consideration of various liturgical seasons, the integration of music, the provision of online worship via videography, special arrangements regarding inclusion and accessibility, and the adornment of the chancel space and table.

In addition to the above duties, the Worship committee will explore and attempt to provide less traditional forms of worship such as coffee hour fellowship, outdoor worship, hymn sings for the homebound and Service Sundays.

Chairperson

The term of chair is one year and may be renewed. The chair is recommended by the Resource Stewardship committee, approved by council, and elected by church members at the annual meeting. Upon being elected, the chair populates the committee with people willing to serve for the coming year.

The Worship chair shall:

- Be in regular contact with the pastor
- Maintain vital communication between the committee and the church council
- Attend council meetings and provide a report on behalf of the committee
- Set committee meetings and establish meeting agenda
- Provide meeting minutes or delegate to another committee member
- Prepare the Worship committee report, summarizing the activities and accomplishments of the committee over the past year, to be included in the church's annual report

Membership

The Worship committee will consist of at least four members to be recruited annually. It is important that one of the choir directors be a member of this committee.

Activities and Responsibilities

The Worship committee:

- Provides music in the form of a choir and accompanist for Sunday and special services
- Hires personnel to livestream and video record Sunday services
- Organizes fellowship hour for after-church fellowship
- Provides flower displays for the chancel table each Sunday
- Maintains the candle supply and changes candles when appropriate
- Changes the banners and paraments for the appropriate seasons
- Schedules volunteers integral to the worship service including greeters, flower arrangers, online hosts, and fellowship hour hosts
- Coordinates with the church administrator with regard to fellowship hour supplies
- Supplies the pulpit in the absence of the pastor
- Devises, recommends, and assists in the implementation of beneficial accommodations to facilitate the inclusion of all who wish to participate in the worship service

- Sets times and dates of special worship services, in discussion with the pastor

Meetings and Procedures

The committee meets at least three times per year, usually in advance of each liturgical season. Meetings last approximately one hour, and can be in person or via Zoom depending on the desire of the group.