



2025-26 MINISTRY TEAM CATALOGUE

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Dear members of West Lawn UMC,

You're holding our church's 2025-26 Ministry Team Catalogue. In it you'll find a variety of opportunities for you to use your time and talent to serve God here at West Lawn UMC. As members, we believe that everyone is capable of serving in one way or another. I invite you to browse through this catalogue and consider how you'll serve in this season of ministry. Once you've discerned which ministry team(s) that you'd like to be a part of, please complete the companion to this catalogue, the Ministry Team Commitment Card, and return it to the church office. You may also complete the Ministry Team Commitment Card online, found at www.westlawnumc.com/team; it's located under the SERVE tab online and on our app. I look forward to serving with you and seeing how God will use you here at our church.

Pastor Tom

**Our church's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.**

**Our vision is to invite, embrace, and empower all
to be the family of God in Christ.**

101 **Adopt-a-School Ministry**

Our church extends its investment in children beyond the campus by volunteering at Wilson Whitfield Elementary School. Team members demonstrate God's love by helping in the classrooms, playgrounds, and cafeteria throughout the school year (September through May).

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org

102 **Angel Tree Party**

Join the Angel Tree Party team on the first Saturday of December as we share gifts and holiday cheer with children of incarcerated parents. Volunteers are needed for tasks such as coordinating cookie bakers, wrapping Bibles, sorting gifts, picking up food donations, and setting up and decorating the community center. On event day, help is needed with refreshments, crafts, greeting guests, and hosting craft areas. After the party, volunteers will assist with cleaning up and repacking decorations. Your support makes this special event possible, bringing joy and hope to many during the holiday season.

Alice Moyer, 484-638-0573, amoyer140@gmail.com

103 **Craft & Vendor Show**

Local crafters and vendors showcase their creativity and handmade goods at this popular annual event. Guests can also enjoy a delicious bake sale and light refreshments, with all proceeds supporting the mission and ministry of WLUMC. Be part of the team that brings it all together by helping with planning, marketing, and coordination.

Phyllis Moser, 610-507-0824, phylmoser@gmail.com

104 Faithful Friends Consignment Sale

You can consign, donate, or volunteer for our consignment sale held in the Community Center each fall and spring. Consignors offer gently used children's clothing, toys, accessories, and more, at a fraction of retail prices. A portion of the profits is donated to local organizations that support less fortunate individuals and families in our community.

Mehgan Epler, 484-577-9006, mehganeppler2687@gmail.com

105 Kitchen Ministry

Join the kitchen ministry team that serves West Lawn Wednesday meals in our Community Center, from September through May. Opportunities include preparing, cooking, baking, setting up, cleaning up, hosting, serving, and more! Everyone is welcome to participate as we provide a quality meal at a fair price, with proceeds benefiting local and global mission work.

Ed Hong, 484-269-3638, ferags01@gmail.com



106 Meal Delivery Team

Our delicious West Lawn Wednesday meals are delivered each Wednesday evening to shut-ins and those recovering from illnesses and procedures throughout the school year. Join our team as a driver to deliver meals on a weekly or rotating basis to families around Berks County.

Katie Marweg, 610-223-7470, moymar@aol.com

Debbie Schartel, 610-468-3147, firengr@comcast.net

107 Accessibility Ramp Team

Be part of a team that provides life and safety handyman services, primarily by building exterior ramps for homes to support elderly individuals and people with disabilities. The team also steps in to assist single moms and dads with limited family or financial support by helping with essential home repairs.

John Hunter, 484-926-1342, j.e.hunter65@gmail.com



108 Children & Teens Free Clothing Closet

West Lawn's Children and Teen Clothing Ministry serves families in need by offering free clothing, shoes, undergarments, and socks for children ages 0–18. The ministry operates once a month on the third Wednesday, from 4:00-7:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to host at our 100 Woodside House—welcoming families and helping create a caring, respectful environment as they shop.

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

109 Adult Clothing Ministry

Our congregation generously donates gently used adult clothing and shoes to help those in need. You can be part of the team that supports this effort by making weekly deliveries from WLUMC to local nonprofit organizations and shelters, where the items are distributed to adults facing hardship.

Pam Berger, 484-794-8254, ptsilver1@gmail.com

COMMUNITY MISSION PARTNERS

202 Hope Rescue Mission

Team members will meet on the fourth Sunday of each month from 4:00–7:00 PM to prepare, deliver, and serve meals for Hope Rescue Mission and Lighthouse. These organizations provide year-round shelter, meals, and support services for men, women, and children in need throughout our community.

Mike Stephens, 717-600-7422, mike@skcoinc.com



203 Little Acts of Love

Through youth volunteers and their leaders, our team provides community clean-up and home repairs for elderly, disabled, and low-income homeowners at no cost.

Alice Moyer, 610-670-7633, alice.moyer.lal@gmail.com

204 New Journey Community Outreach

NJCO provides a soup kitchen, food pantry, and clothing center to support individuals and families in need within our community. Our church partners with NJCO by preparing and serving a lunch meal on the first Thursday of each month. You're invited to be part of this meaningful outreach by joining the team to prepare the meal (8:30–10:30 AM) and/or serve the meal (10:30 AM–12:30 PM).

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

205 Opportunity House

Opportunity House offers services that help improve the lives of children, adults, and families facing challenges to independence and well-being. Our team prepares meals at the church on Sundays and delivers them to Opportunity House, serving twice a month. You can sign up to serve as often as you'd like.

Ed Hong, 484-269-3638, ferags01@gmail.com

206 Prison Ministry

Join a team that offers encouragement and support to incarcerated men and women in Berks County. We share the message of Jesus during worship services held on the 3rd and 5th Thursday mornings of each month.

Mary Davis, maryellendavis54@gmail.com

207 Western Berks Shepherding Ministry

WBSM is an interfaith outreach ministry providing transportation services to adults in need. Our team is seeking compassionate drivers to help meet this important need in our community.

John "Doc" Moyer, 484-256-5045, jmoyerjr@aol.com

208 Wilson Area Food Pantry

In partnership with Helping Harvest, our Community Center becomes a food distribution center on the third Friday of every month. Setup takes place on Thursday, and we invite you to join our team to help set up and distribute food to our hungry neighbors.

Art Salyards, 610-914-8074, jjas1998@aol.com

209 Miller-Keystone Blood Drive

Held in our Community Center, our team organizes two blood drives each year in partnership with Miller-Keystone. Team members help by advertising, recruiting donors, providing snacks, and volunteering at the event.

Eileen Williams, 610-670-0591, ehew_000373@msn.com

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

301 Visitation Team

Our team offers a loving and encouraging presence to those unable to gather at church due to physical limitations. We regularly visit our brothers and sisters in Christ in their homes, nursing homes, and retirement communities, bringing comfort and connection.

Pastor Terry Cooney, x404, zeerovernv73@gmail.com

302 DivorceCare Facilitator

DivorceCare is a 13-week support group designed to help individuals heal from the pain of divorce. Offered twice a year, the group provides a warm, caring environment led by trained facilitators from our church. If you feel called to support others, we invite you to join the team as a facilitator and help guide others through their healing journey.

Pastor Pat Goshert, x403, pgoshert@westlawnumc.org

303 Funeral Hospitality Team

Our team serves families with care and compassion during a difficult time by helping to set up refreshments, serve meals, and offer baked goods for funeral or memorial service luncheons. It's a simple but meaningful way to share love and support when it's needed most.

*Debbie Schartel, 610-468-3147, firengr@comcast.net
Janet Behrenshausen, 484-332-3679, janetbehr@gmail.com*

304 GriefShare Facilitator

GriefShare is a 13-week support group helping individuals rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. Offered multiple times a year, the groups are led by trained facilitators from our church who have experienced grief themselves. If you feel called to help others, we invite you to join the team as a facilitator and support those on their healing journey.

Pastor Pat Goshert, x403, pgoshert@westlawnumc.org

305 Hospital Visitation Team

With compassion and care, our team visits brothers and sisters in Christ during their time in the hospital—offering presence, a listening ear, and prayerful support. If you feel called to this ministry, training is provided to help you serve with confidence and grace.

Pastor Terry Cooney, x404, zeerovernv73@gmail.com

306 Meals for New Parents Team

Be part of supporting families with newborns by preparing and delivering dinners to their home as they settle in after mother and baby return from the hospital.

Elissa Arzuaga, 610-637-8616, earzuaga04@gmail.com

307 Meals for Recovery & Care Team

Caring for others by providing food is a key teaching of Jesus. Our team helps families by preparing and delivering meals to those recovering from hospitalization or anyone in need of dinner assistance at home, no matter the reason.

Carolyn Weller, 610-987-3844, ckerrweller@gmail.com

308 Prayer Team

Our team believes in the power of prayer and is committed to praying for and with others. One way we serve is by offering prayer in the “Prayer Well” room during West Lawn Wednesdays. We also bless our church by hosting prayer-related activities throughout the year, nurturing a strong spirit of intercession and support.

Pastor Pat Goshert, x403, pgoshert@westlawnmc.org

309 Stephen Minister

Stephen Ministers are trained members of our congregation who provide one-to-one, confidential care to those going through a difficult time. They share a deep passion for bringing Christ’s love and compassion to others in their time of need. If you feel called to this ministry, we invite you to join the team and make a lasting impact on those in need of care and support.

Pastor Pat Goshert, x403, pgoshert@westlawnmc.org

310 Caring for the Caregiver

As part of our Caring Ministries, we not only support those in need but also care for the caregivers themselves. Our goal is to surround caregivers with a community of support, provide opportunities for rest and renewal, and offer meaningful fellowship and discipleship programs to sustain them in their journey.

Pastor Pat Goshert, x403, pgoshert@westlawnumc.org

CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT

401 Bible Study Facilitator

Bible study facilitators help lead others in deepening their faith through Scripture and guided curriculum. Facilitators may lead independently or as part of a team, using prepared materials. Studies take place on Sunday mornings and throughout the week.

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

402 Men's Ministry Planning Team

All men are invited to help plan and organize (then participate) in events and programs that help men connect with God and grow in relationships through faith, fellowship, food, and fun.

Pastor Chris Hardy, x402, chris@westlawnumc.org

403 Women's Ministry Planning Team

Women's Ministry provides a space for friendship, support, and shared mission. All women are invited to join by helping plan, organize, or participate in events throughout the year.

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org



501 Audio/Visual Tech Team

Our Tech Team enhances the worship experience at all three Sunday services through the use of technology. No prior experience is needed—we'll train you to operate the sound board, camera, Livestream equipment, and graphic display monitor. You can volunteer once a month or as often as you'd like!

Nick Galan, nickgalan@westlawnumc.org

502 Bread Ministry

Our team delivers fresh bread to the homes of first-time guests as a symbol of warmth and spiritual nourishment—along with a heartfelt invitation to return to WLUMC. It's a simple yet meaningful way to extend the love of Christ to newcomers.

Kathy Ballick, x102, kathy@westlawnumc.org

503 Communion Team

As part of our Communion Team, you can choose to prepare the elements and/or serve the Sacrament during worship. Communion is offered on the first Sunday of each month, as well as on Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Christmas Eve.

8 AM: *Carol Lochman, 610-301-9595*

9:30 AM: *Dan Allan, 610-804-7739, danallan194903@gmail.com*

11 AM: *Terrie Jenkins, 610-914-9263, trinity7090@aol.com*



504 Welcome Center Team

The Welcome Center team, located in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings, provides assistance and information to both congregation members and visitors. Join this team to distribute literature, help members sign up for events, hand out visitor gifts, and be a warm, welcoming presence.

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

505 Safety Team

Our Safety Team helps ensure a secure environment on campus, especially during Sunday worship services. Team members are trained to respond to emergencies and assess whether professional assistance—such as ambulance, fire, or police—is needed.

Joe Marsden, 610-698-8075, joe_marsden@comcast.net



506 Scripture Reader

During our 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM worship services, congregation members have the opportunity to read Scripture before the pastor's message. If you enjoy reading aloud and sharing God's Word, we invite you to join this meaningful ministry and take part in leading worship.

8 AM: Pam Berger, 484-794-8254, ptsilver1@gmail.com

11 AM: Karen Garverich, 717-344-1133, kgarverich203@comcast.net

507 Sunday Morning Hospitality Team

Outside or inside, a rotating team of Sunday morning hosts creates a warm, welcoming space for our church family to connect over coffee, snacks, and fellowship. Hosting runs from 8:50 to 11:15 AM.

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

508 Sunday Morning Breakfast Team

Starting in the Fall of 2025, we plan to offer a pancake breakfast every Sunday morning in the Community Center, between worship services, for our congregation and community. All are invited to join this new team to set up, prepare, serve, and clean up as we enjoy fellowship and community—with a side of pancakes, sausage, coffee, and donut holes!

Kelly Rismiller, x301, kelly@westlawnumc.org

509 Greeter

On Sunday mornings, a team of friendly greeters welcome visitors and members as they arrive at West Lawn, both around the parking lot and inside the sanctuary. Join this important hospitality team on a rotating basis to help make everyone feel at home.

8 AM: *Wendy Wisniewski, 610-468-5203, markski2307@comcast.net*

9:30 AM: *Beth Ebling, 610-777-5431, fourebs@comcast.net*

11 AM: *Terrie Jenkins, 610-914-9263, trinity7090@aol.com*

510 Usher

Each Sunday, a team of ushers collects the tithes and offerings during the worship services. Sign up to join this important rotating team and serve in this meaningful way.

8 AM: *Carol Lochman, 610-301-9595*

9:30 AM: *Beth Ebling, 610-777-5431, fourebs@comcast.net*

11 AM: *Terrie Jenkins, 610-914-9263, trinity7090@aol.com*

601 Adult Choir

The Adult Choir sings at our traditional services from September through June. Rehearsals are typically on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. We are a spiritually focused group, finding inspiration in fellowship and a variety of musical styles. While the ability to read music is helpful, it's not required. Those unable to commit to the full season are welcome to join for special times like Christmas and Easter.

Christopher Rodgers, x601, wlumcmusic@gmail.com

602 Handbell Choirs

Our handbell choirs welcome anyone eager to make music and a joyful noise to the Lord! If you can hold a bell and count to four, you're off to a great start—everything else can be learned. We rehearse weekly and play once a month in traditional worship at 8:00 and 11:00 AM. Interested in ringing? We'd love to hear from you!

Diane Soper, 732-300-7674, handbells@westlawnnumc.org

603 Instrumentalist

Instrumentalists are invited to share their musical gifts by playing in instrumental ensembles or offering solos during worship. A variety of styles, with piano or organ accompaniment, are encouraged.

Christopher Rodgers, x601, wlumcmusic@gmail.com

604 Vocalist

Vocalists play a special role in our worship services, offering their musical gifts in ensembles or solos. Accompaniment is available on piano or organ. Vocalists are scheduled in advance, giving time to prepare and rehearse. All vocalists are encouraged to share their talents.

Christopher Rodgers, x601, wlumcmusic@gmail.com

605 **Worship Team**

The Worship Team leads the congregation in song during the 9:30 AM contemporary worship service, using music to create a meaningful and uplifting worship experience. The team meets for weekly rehearsals on Thursday evenings, offering not only a chance to prepare musically, but also to build strong friendships and grow in faith together.

Jayme Raffauf, x602, jayme@westlawnumc.org

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

701 **Kids Club Volunteer**

Kids Club is specially designed for children in Grades 2 and 3! Meeting twice a month from 6:00–7:30 PM, this energetic group enjoys meaningful discussions about real-life topics, fellowship with friends, and tons of fun through games and activities. Each evening wraps up with a snack, a take-home project, and prayers for a great week ahead!

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org



702 **Nursery Team Volunteer**

Our nursery is a lively and loving space on Sunday mornings starting at 8:00 AM! Designed for babies and toddlers aged 2 and under, it's a fun and nurturing environment where little ones are cared for by a rotating team of dedicated volunteers. Each week, this team helps care for some of God's most precious gifts with joy and gentleness.

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org

703 **Preschool Volunteer**

You can support our preschoolers by volunteering during special events throughout the school year and summer camps. Opportunities are scheduled on a rotating basis, and we're especially looking for grandparent readers to share stories with our little ones. All volunteers must have up-to-date clearances (PA Criminal History and PA Child Abuse)—both are free for volunteers.

Elise Coakley, x701, elise@westlawnumc.org

704 **Safe Haven Lighthouse Volunteer**

Safe Haven Lighthouse is an afterschool program held at our church on Wednesdays from 3:00–5:30 PM, running September through May. Children enjoy snacks, crafts, Bible lessons, games, and homework help in a safe and supportive environment where they can grow academically, socially, and spiritually.

Lori Madara, 484-332-1582, lmadara835@gmail.com

705 **Children's Sunday School Teaching Team**

Our 9:30 AM Sunday School program offers classes for children from toddlers through tweens. With the help of dedicated volunteer teachers and assistants, our youngest members grow in their understanding of God's Word every week, all year long. It's a joyful and meaningful time of learning and faith formation.

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org



706 Stay & Play Volunteer

Stay & Play is a special mid-week program for children ages 2 through elementary at West Lawn, held on Tuesday evenings during the school year. From 6:30 to 8:00 PM, children enjoy a cozy bedtime story, fun activities, free play, and snacks—all in a safe and welcoming environment.

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707 Tween Group Volunteer

Our Tween Group is designed just for pre-teens in grades 4 and 5, meeting regularly throughout the school year. Tweens are encouraged to bring their friends and join us on Sunday evenings from 6:00–7:30 PM for a time of fellowship, games, food, and fun as they explore who they are and discover God’s purpose for their lives.

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org

708 Vacation Bible School Team

Our Vacation Bible School is unlike any “school” your child knows—it’s a full-on experience! For four exciting days each summer, children from across the community gather on our campus for a fun, faith-filled, and action-packed Bible-themed camp. More than 150 team members come together to plan, lead, and create an unforgettable week of learning, laughter, and spiritual growth.

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org



801 Confirmation Class Teacher

Help guide our 8th graders as they explore what it means to follow Jesus and become active members of the body of Christ. This discipleship program runs during the school year and involves a commitment of about one Sunday a month and one weekend retreat per year. It's a powerful way to invest in the faith of the next generation.

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org

802 Confirmation Mentor

You can play a meaningful role in the spiritual journey of one of our youth by becoming a mentor. You'll be paired with a student and meet once a month (September–April) on a schedule that works for both of you. Using a guided, conversational series of lessons, you'll have the opportunity to grow in faith together—deepening their relationship with God and enriching your own along the way.

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org

803 Youth Sunday School Teacher

The 6th & 7th grade Sunday school class follows a two-year cycle, exploring key themes and characters from both the Old and New Testaments. Through games, scripture reading, and meaningful discussions, students learn how these ancient stories connect with their lives today. Volunteers can commit to serving once or twice a month or year-round, helping guide and nurture young faith.

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org

804 Youth Event Support

It's the special events that make our youth program truly memorable! Whether it's preparing and serving food at a local shelter, tackling a neighbor's yard project, or helping at the Youth Auction, these moments wouldn't be possible without our behind-the-scenes team. If you'd love to support our youth but prefer a more low-key or occasional role, this is the perfect fit for you!

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org



805 Youth Group Leader

Do you enjoy laughing, eating, and listening? Join us three Sundays a month from 5:30–8:00 PM, September through May, as we walk alongside teens on their journey of faith. No need to lead anything right away—just come, be present, and share life with students as they explore what it means to follow Jesus in today's world.

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org

CHURCH SUPPORT

901 Christmas Decorating Team

In just one day, our team brings the joy of Christmas to life by decorating the church campus for the season. After the holidays, we come together again to carefully take down and store the decorations for next year. It's a fun and meaningful way to celebrate and serve!

Ryan Kairis, 484-678-8992, rkcolorado@comcast.net

902 Clerical Volunteer

Support our office staff by volunteering to help with bulk mailings—tasks may include stuffing envelopes, affixing labels, and sealing items for delivery to the post office. You can serve monthly, quarterly, or on an as-needed basis, depending on your availability.

Sally Brown, x101, sally@westlawnumc.org

903 Sunday Night Safety Team

The Sunday Night Safety Team plays a vital role in creating a secure environment during our Sunday evening kids and youth programs. Team members help keep students in grades 2–12 safe by assisting with street crossings, patrolling the building, and being prepared to respond to any emergencies that may arise.

Trisha Rabold, x501, trisha@westlawnumc.org

904 Night Watchman Team

Each night, a member of our team walks through the church campus to ensure everything is secure—checking that doors are locked, windows are closed, and lights are turned off. This quiet but important role helps keep our facilities safe and cared for.

Dave Haas, x901, david@westlawnumc.org

905 Helping Hands Team

It takes many hands to care for our church campus and support its many ministries. This team works alongside our Facilities Manager on a variety of small projects—such as painting, repairs, and renovations—to help keep our spaces welcoming and functional.

Charlie Soper, 732-300-7410, csoper58@gmail.com



906 Sunday School Attendance Team

Are you available during the 9:30 AM hour on Sundays? Join our team to help support our Sunday school ministries by walking to each children's and adult class to record attendance and collect the offering. It's a simple way to serve that makes a big difference!

Stephanie Serfass, x502, stephanie@westlawnumc.org

907 Driver Team

Our team receives training from a certified driving instructor in how to operate all our church vehicles properly and safely – passenger van, pickup truck, minibus. Our team offers vital support to other ministries by providing safe and reliable transportation.

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