

CD Ministry

Have you missed a sermon? Or would you like to share one with a friend or family member? The Deacons' CD Ministry, working with other dedicated volunteers, assists in the production, labeling and sales of sermon CDs and audiotapes. These recordings are also provided to people unable to attend the service. Please see the volunteers in the Welcome Center to purchase or request certain sermons.

Communion

All Deacons participate in the preparation of the elements for Communion, as well as their set up and clean up. In addition, there are certain Deacons with the responsibility for setting the Lord's Table so that our congregation can partake of the elements and be focused on the meaning of God's sacrifice for each one of us.

Community Outreach

The Deacons support The Presbyterian Urban Ministries through financial and food donations. We also provide gas and food vouchers for those in need of immediate assistance.

Devotionals

The Deacons provide publications for the congregation and friends. Devotionals such as "Upper Room", "Tapestry", and "Closer Walk" are available, as well as "Guideposts" and others. They are located in the Welcome Center.

Family Assistance

The RBCPC Family Assistance Ministry provides temporary assistance to individuals and families in need within our congregation and in our community to bridge periods of economic difficulty. The mission of Family Assistance is first to provide short-term emergency assistance, and second to direct clients to existing community organizations where long-term solutions may be identified. In order to use our limited resources wisely, assistance is usually provided on a one time only basis. Because of the broad scope of experience and resources available at Interfaith Community Services in Escondido, the Family Assistance Ministry maintains a close working affiliation with this organization. Salvation Army Escondido is another organization we support financially and to whom we send people in need.

Flower Ministry

The Deacon Flower Ministry makes small flower arrangements for shut-ins, the ill, and the bereaved. These bouquets are delivered by the Deacons, with approximately four delivered every Monday. This committee also oversees the delivery of Easter plants and Christmas poinsettias by the Deacons. Their other responsibilities include placing a rosebud in the Worship Center to celebrate the birth of a new baby in the congregation, and receiving and processing the Gallery Table dedications.

Temporarily Ill and Bereaved

The team of Deacons serving on Temporarily Ill and Bereaved offer comfort and support to those who are ill, hospitalized, or have experienced loss. They do this through personal visits or phone contact. In a related ministry, the Sunshine Committee, cards are sent to members of the congregation experiencing illness or the loss of a loved one.

Transportation

The Transportation Ministry assesses the transportation needs of those who wish to come to church but no longer drive, and provides this transportation on Sunday mornings. Riders can call the church at (858) 487-0811, ext. 240 and leave a message and one of the committee members will return their call to arrange a pick up time for them to attend either the 8:30 or 11:30 Worship service. The bus drivers are paid church members or professionals, however, volunteers ride-along to assist riders get on and off the bus, make phone calls, and assist with directions as needed.