

Deacon of Congregational Care

Purpose: The Deacon of Congregational Care fosters unity, love, and compassion in the church by identifying and attending to the acute and long-term practical needs within the church.

Responsibilities:

- Organize a team of volunteers to assist him or her in meeting the various care needs in our congregation.
- Empower care team by delegating leadership oversight and responsibilities.
- Faithfully steward associated financial and church resources.
- Serves as primary contact for care needs within the church (ex: meals, moving, benevolence, transportation, illness, major surgeries, shut-ins). And works with care team to engage these needs as they arise.
- Serve as primary contact for benevolence needs that come from outside the church (until we are able to install a deacon of mercy ministry).
- Maintain documentation for current policies, procedures, and referral contacts.

Communication:

- Weekly: Keeps pastors and elders informed of general care needs and of visitation needs/requests. Present elders with significant benevolent needs as they arise.
- Monthly: Keep elders apprised of plans. Ask elders for direction. Inform elders of problems or needs.