

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION ANNUAL SERVING WORKSHEET

God calls us to wise stewardship of our time and skills. Use this worksheet to become more intentional and disciplined in your ministries of service during the year ahead. Please complete it and then either respond online at rezchurch.org or return the perforated portion in the offering plate by August 28.

STEP 1: THINK ABOUT WORSHIPING THE LORD THROUGH SERVICE.

Service is an essential part of Christian worship. In Romans 12:1, St. Paul instructed the earliest Christians, in view of God's mercies in salvation, to worship God by presenting their bodies to him as "living sacrifices." The Apostles modeled this worship-through-service with their lives, as the Acts of the Apostles demonstrates again and again. Most importantly, on the night before his passion, Jesus served his disciples by washing their feet. Ever since then, an authentic mark of Christian faith and discipleship has been worship through service.

Service can take many forms. Sometimes service involves daily care for children or other family members. Sometimes it requires sacrificial giving for the sake of others in need. Some acts of service are very public; many are visible only to the Lord, before whom all our service is an act of worship.

Thinking about your own season of life and abilities, list any ways you have worshiped the Lord through service in the past.

How might you worship the Lord through service in the year ahead?

STEP 2: THINK ABOUT WAYS OF SERVING WITHIN THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION.

Not all worship-through-service is service in the local church. Nevertheless, the life of a healthy congregation depends upon the generous, eager service of her people. Many churches require their members to serve on rotation in various ministries. At Resurrection, we believe every Christian is called to serve the local church in some way. Some do so on occasion, as life circumstances allow. Most do so on a regular basis, within one or more ministries of the church.

Take a look at the Opportunities to Serve in and through the Church of the Resurrection (see reverse side of this sheet).

Thinking about your own season of life and abilities, how might you worship the Lord through service within the Church of the Resurrection?

STEP 3: MAKE A COMMITMENT

- ❖ What amount of time, and in what area of ministry, would it be easy for you to serve in the year ahead?

Capacity: _____
_____ every week
_____ every month
_____ every _____

- ❖ What amount of time, and in what area of ministry, would it be truly sacrificial for you to serve in the year ahead?

Capacity: _____
_____ every week
_____ every month
_____ every _____

Which best describes you?

Member Regular Attender Visitor

Name (optional): _____

Would you like to receive regular email reminder about your service commitments?

Yes No

If yes, email: _____

STEP 4: TALK ABOUT IT

As believers, we're called to love and serve one another in both formal and informal ways. Talking more openly about how we serve is one of the best ways to ensure that we do so with love and generosity, in a spirit of worship before the Lord.

Write down with whom you plan to discuss your worship-through-service.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

*IN & THROUGH THE CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION*

Sundays

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- ❖ Infants
- ❖ Toddlers
- ❖ Elementary Schoolers

WORSHIP SERVICE

- ❖ Music: Voice and/or Instrument
- ❖ Sound & Slides
- ❖ Greeting & Ushering
- ❖ Reading Scripture
- ❖ Praying the Prayers of the People
- ❖ Serving at the Lord's Table
- ❖ Praying with others during communion
- ❖ Hospitality after the service

During the Week

- ❖ Newcomer's Dinners
- ❖ RezGroup (home group) hosting or leadership
- ❖ Website design or content
- ❖ Hosting Prayer meetings
- ❖ Hosting worship gatherings
- ❖ Office/Administrative help
- ❖ Stewardship & bookkeeping
- ❖ Lunchtime Talks

Special Events

- ❖ Childcare or Hospitality for special events
- ❖ Retreat planning
- ❖ Holy Week services
- ❖ Planning camping trips & picnics
- ❖ Planning outreach events

Mission

- ❖ Caring for missionaries (Barnabas Teams)
- ❖ Caring for the Persecuted Church
- ❖ Helping with our Rwandan sister church
- ❖ Helping with As We Forgive Rwanda Initiative
- ❖ Sunday Lunch Cafe for Homeless
- ❖ The Porch youth group for urban teens
- ❖ Care Meals for families in need
- ❖ Tutoring urban kids
- ❖ Construction projects/Habitat for Humanity