



# CARE GUIDE



Welcome to the Team!

The Great Commission in Matthew 28 ('Go into all the world and preach the gospel...') and The Great Commandment in Mark 12 ('Love God and love people...') encompass the heart of the New Testament and reflect core values at Christ's Chapel!

The Great Commission best finds expression amongst our GO-REACH Teams. These are outreach teams of volunteers that present the gospel in various ministries in the communities of Northern Kentucky.

**The Great Commandment is displayed in our IN-REACH Teams. These are care teams of volunteers that display the love of Christ through preparing and delivering meals, making hospital and nursing home visits, taking cookies to our recent guests, making phone calls, sewing quilts for newborn babies, writing notes, and other forms of encouragement to those within our congregation.**

The purpose of this short guide is to present how the care ministry operates for those wanting to serve and answer some of the basic questions you may have about the various opportunities available.

We are very excited about what God is doing at Christ's Chapel, and we believe that you will be a great representative of our church family! Thank you for serving in this ministry!

### **Getting Started**

CARE communicates concern and brings value to a relationship. The Care Team at Christ's Chapel has one primary goal – to encourage someone in their faith in a personal season of celebration or crisis.

If you are interested in being part of this team, please contact Kristy Pryor at [kprior@christschapel.net](mailto:kprior@christschapel.net) and she will get things moving forward. Kristy will meet with you personally to hear your own heart and help to discover what specific aspect of this ministry that best fits your interests and schedule. From there Kristy will communicate with you regularly as you begin to serve in this ministry. In most instances, when traveling to someone's home, we encourage you go with someone else in our church. This offers friendship opportunities, but it also provides a level of accountability and protection.

## **Our Vision, Purpose and Core Values**

It helps to remember that this type of personal care in a church family emerges from a larger ministry. At Christ's Chapel, we have a vision, purpose, and core values that reflect what we do, why we do what we do, and who we are as a community of faith.

### **Our Vision: Building Faith, Families and Friends**

- ▶ Building Faith: Regardless of where people are on their individual journey of faith, our goal is to strengthen their loyalty to Jesus Christ in experience, knowledge, and community.
- ▶ Building Families: God established family and it remains the primary means to reveal his glory and impact cultures. Our heart is to welcome and strengthen all families, celebrating singleness, honoring marriage, and prioritizing children.
- ▶ Building Friends: We were created to belong, not just believe. Our hope is to provide a culture where existing friendships are strengthened, new relationships are formed, and a sense of community and belonging is experienced.

### **Our Purpose: To Be a Church Where People Are Accepted and Loved, Valued and Welcomed**

People matter... all people... without exception. God's love collapses prejudice, bias, and the things that often divide and separate. Christ's Chapel welcomes the hurting and struggling as openly as those with wholeness and stability... genuinely celebrating everyone as a person of value.

### **Our Core Values**

'Core Values' reflect character. Although readily admitting our efforts fall short of our goals at times, our heart is to live honorably, treating everyone with respect, defining who we are by how we live within our church and community.

**Connection:** Community Requires Intentionality

**Discipleship:** Becoming and Making Christ Followers is Priority

**Faithful:** You Can Depend on Us

**Fun:** Let's Enjoy Life and Laugh Often

**Generous:** We Aim to be Givers More Than Takers

**Genuine:** What You See is Who We Are

**Hard Working:** Faith Without Works is Dead

**Honest:** We Promise to Always Tell the Truth

**Kind:** Our Hope is to Always Show We Care

**Loving:** The Great Commandment (Mark 12:30-31) is Celebrated

**Loyal:** Everyone Needs Friends that Remains Friends

**Prayerful:** We Love Enough to Present Your Needs and Concerns to God

**Safe:** Creating a Secure Environment for Adults and Children at Every Gathering

**Self-Evaluation:** Our Goal is to Always Improve Who We Are and What We Do

**Serving:** We Discover Our Ministry Gifts by Investing in Others

Thank you, again, for the interest in our Christ's Chapel Care Ministry. Romans 12:8 reminds us that God gives the gift of encouragement to specific members of a local church. And Acts 4:36 even mentions someone by name that displayed that gift generously in meeting specific needs in the faith community. We welcome you and look forward to serving together.