God's People Serve!

Volunteer Participation

September 2022 – August 2023

When it comes to serving, God has abundantly blessed St. Peter.

• We celebrate how generously people have shared their time and talent through St. Peter's ministries in the past year, as documented below.



- Equally celebrated are the many additional ways our church family serves, formally and informally, beyond St. Peter's ministries.
- We also celebrate our dedicated staff who support all these volunteers.

May all our serving lead people to a full life in Christ, and result in lives and communities transformed as we become more like Jesus!

All Volunteer Participation

- 28,361 Total of Hours Worked
 - 447 Count of individual volunteers
 - 90 Count of distinct ministry opportunities

Breaking It Down - Each ministry opportunity was designated:

- as either ongoing or short term
- as having a primary focus either inside or outside St. Peter.

Ongoing Ministry Opportunities

- 21,820 Total of Hours Worked
 - 279 Count of individual volunteers
 - 38 Count of distinct ministry opportunities

Short Term Ministry Opportunities

- 6,541 Total of Hours Worked
 - 246 Count of individual volunteers
 - 52 Count of distinct ministry opportunities

Internally-focused Ministry Opportunities

- 20,876 Total of Hours Worked
 - 358 Count of individual volunteers
 - 70 Count of distinct ministry opportunities

Externally-focused Ministry Opportunities

- 7,485 Total of Hours Worked
 - 160 Count of individual volunteers
 - 20 Count of distinct ministry opportunities

Some thoughts regarding hours served

- This information reflects what has been shared with our Equipping office. More is likely going on than gets reported!
- Hours served were not tracked at St. Peter in the past. We began tracking them in Sept 2022 because the software behind My Impact requires it.
- To determine hours served, Karen Kogler makes an estimate and shares it with the ministry • leader. If the leader offers a different number, we go with that. If an individual prefers a different number, that is the one we use!
- Measuring hours can give helpful overviews and can reveal trends, but hours served is not • useful for comparing or evaluating individuals' service. Jesus' comments on the "widow's mite" (Mark 12:41-44) apply to volunteering, too.
- The real goal is that our serving becomes more intentional, joyful, impactful and faith-full, • leading us & others to a full life in Christ and resulting in lives and communities transformed as we become more like Jesus.

Want to dig deeper into the data? Want to learn more about serving opportunities?

- Our serving app, My Impact, allows individuals to view and record their own hours, to view all our ministry opportunities to engage with us to manage their involvement. If you are new to My Impact, request a username and password at Serving@FullLifeinChrist.org.
- A variety of resources on serving are available at <u>FullLifeinChrist.org/serve</u>.
- Contact Serving@FullLifeinChrist.org or kkogler@FullLifeinChrist.org if you have questions or are looking for additional information.

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