

2025 Diaconate Report

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.
Heb. 13:16

The primary call of the deacons is to serve the church and help meet physical and spiritual needs. In 2025, \$76,320.23 of the deacon fund was used to help individuals, widows, families and mercy ministries both inside and outside our congregation, locally and globally. The total contributions to the deacon fund this past year were \$70,677.79.

The most visible work of the deacons is at our worship services, such as handing out Orders of Worship, preparing and assisting with communion, taking and counting offerings, monitoring the building, opening and locking the building and dealing with things like furnaces and microphones.

Each of the deacons serve on one or more committees to accomplish the work particularly assigned to us. The Budget & Finance committee prepares and manages the annual church budget. The Christian Education committee helps Faith families with Christian school tuition. The Building & Maintenance committee tries to keep the facility in good operational condition by refreshing and repairing the building(s) as needed. The Benevolence committee is charged with sorting through and prioritizing the many requests for assistance that we receive. In addition we have an Adoption committee, a Building Use committee, a Tech committee, a Work Party committee and a Worship committee.

We continued to support the Tacoma Rescue Mission this past year with funding and hosting the “assembly” of 500 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches each week for TRMs Search and Rescue Ministry.

The partnership with the transition housing ministry of Naomi, Ruth and Boaz came to an end this year as they have discontinued the ministry.

There is no shortage of opportunities to serve with limited funds, time and talents, but it requires much prayer and deliberation to prioritize which needs to address. We always make an effort to attend to the spiritual needs that accompany the tangible needs.

Thank you.

Ken Kvale, 2025 Diaconate Chair