

Opportunities at Cargill United Methodist Church

The following are some ways you are invited to serve others and connect with God here at Cargill.



Church Council

Discerns the vision of the church, ensuring that its ministries support the big picture of our mission and God's calling. Includes representatives of other committees and teams as well as at-large members. Meets quarterly.

Nominations & Leadership Development

Develops and encourages potential leaders to find their joy in serving the church. Nominates members of key committees, which are then elected by an annual all-church vote. Meets four to five times a year.



Cargill Christian Learning Center Advisory Board

Supports the operations of the 125-student preschool and daycare center. The Advisory Board includes both staff and members of Cargill UMC. Meets quarterly. Includes a four-person Executive Committee that meets monthly.

Board of Trustees

Cares for the buildings and grounds of Cargill UMC, in consultation with maintenance and ministry resource staff. Meets monthly.

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Committee on Finance (Growing Generous Givers)

Encourages financial support of the church's ministries. Sets an annual ministry budget in consultation with pastors & staff. Meets 6-8 times a year.



Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Supports pastors and other staff and serves as liaison for staff-related matters. Advises lead pastor on staff decisions and implementing church's vision. Meets 10 times a year.

Cargill Foundation Board

Governs the Cargill United Methodist Foundation, a separate 501(c)(3) organization that financially supports the church through endowments and other philanthropic investments. Meets quarterly.

Altar Guild

Helps decorate the Sanctuary for seasons and special events.

Audio-Visual Worship Team

Coordinates sound and video during worship and special events.

Caring Ministries

Extends the compassion of the church to those who are hospitalized, home-bound or living in care facilities.



Children's Ministry Team

Coordinates Sunday school, Vacation Bible School and special events.

Clerical Assistants

Assists the church office with projects.

Communion Preparation

Assists in setting up elements for the monthly celebration of Holy Communion.

History & Archives

Cares for and organizes Cargill's considerable historical materials.

Hospitality & Sunday Fellowship

Extends the church's hospitality by preparing and serving beverages and refreshments before and after weekly worship.

Lay Servant Ministries

A program of the United Methodist Church for those interested in learning and serving in a deeper way.

Live Nativity

Many volunteers help present our annual community celebration of the Nativity for two nights each December.

Looking Up Health & Wellness

One of Cargill's newest ministries, reaching out to members and community with a wide variety of teaching & resources.

Mercy & Justice

Another of Cargill's recently revitalized ministries, seeking to serve through mission, outreach, compassion and advocacy.



Music Ministries

A number of ensembles help lead music in worship: the Wesley Chorale (voice choir), the Alleluia Ringers (bell choir), and other smaller ensembles, soloists and accompanists, coordinated by our music staff.



Sanctuary Care

Helps spruce up the Sanctuary after weekly worship services.

Scholarship Committee

Receives & reviews applications and distributes several annual scholarships made possible by the Cargill Foundation.

United Women in Faith

Formerly the United Methodist Women, advocates for women & children and other important social causes.

Welcoming & Connecting

Greeters, ushers and welcome desk hosts who create an atmosphere of personal welcome for worshipers.

Further opportunities

Audit Committee

Boy Scout Troop 402

Financial counters

Lawn mowing

Prayer shawl ministry

Quilt Ministry

Snow removal

Youth ministry team
(now being formed)



Serving & helping others

Through the Cargill United Methodist Church, members and friends reach out to Janesville and the surrounding area to help improve the lives of others in our communities. Opportunities include:

Bountiful Blessings (monthly community meal)

CROP Hunger Walk (annually)

Everyone Cooperating to Help Others (ECHO)

GIFTS Men's Shelter

Healthnet

House of Mercy

Immigrant Support Network

In-Gathering (annually)

Meals on Wheels

Project 16:49

Salvation Army Coats for Kids

School partnerships

United Methodist Committee on Relief

To learn more, visit online at www.cargillumc.org/serve

Who is Cargill UMC? You!

Ministers: All members and friends, who are called by God to serve others in home, church, workplace and community.

Leaders, teams & committees

Some positions are three-year renewable terms, with the year in parentheses indicating when the current term ends.

Where is the place for you?

CHURCH COUNCIL

Stew Hebel, Lay Leader (2025), Interim Co-Chair †
 Nancy Sonntag, Lay Leader (2024), Interim Co-Chair, Secretary †
 Donna Devine, Lay Member to Annual Conf. (2024) †
 Amy Dora, U Women in Faith †
 Mark Kopp, Staff-Parish Relations Committee †
 Dave Sonntag, Board of Trustees †
 Daryl Spors, Finance †
 Val Schmoltdt, Treasurer †◆
 Marie Severing, Lay Member to Annual Conf. (2024) †◆
 Briana Spors, Lay Member to Annual Conf. (2024) †

Margaret Delaney, History & Archives
 Marilyn Heshelman, worship setting & altar guild
 Lynn Karges, Cargill Christian Learning Center Board
 Diane Quade, Hospitality & Welcoming Ministries
 Brian Schmoltdt, Mercy & Justice
 Mark Schroeder, Cargill Foundation
 Amy Schulz, Children's Ministry
 Richard Severing, Member at Large (2025) ◆
 Larry Squire, Member at Large (2024)

Elle Swart, Member at Large (2023)
 OPEN, Caring Ministries team
 OPEN, Young Adult Rep †
 OPEN, Youth Representative †
 Dawn Allen, Cargill Christian Learning Center ◆
 Pastor Stu Allen, Senior Ministries ◆
 Dianne Edson, Mercy & Justice Coordinator ◆
 Discipleship Pastor Amy Powell ◆
 Lead Pastor Steve Scott ◆

◆ **Non-voting member**
 † **Position required by United Methodist Book of Discipline**

NOMINATIONS & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Jim & Kris Borgerding
 Dan & Nicole Calverley
 Dianne Edson
 Stew & LeAnn Hebel
 Deb Horton
 Maria Schoville
 Pastor Steve Scott, chair
 Nancy Sonntag

LEARNING CENTER ADVISORY BOARD

Dawn Allen ✧
 Marna Bonnell, Finance rep
 Deb Horton, Trustees
 Lynn Karges, chair ✧
 Pastor Steve Scott ✧
 Valerie Schmoltdt, Director of Ministry Resources ✧
 Larry Squire, SPRC

Dean Teuscher
 Carol Weberpal
 OPEN, Member at Large

✧ **Executive committee**

ALTAR GUILD

Donna Devine
Marilyn Heshelman, chair
Sara Pedersen
Sue Schroeder
Linda Whitelock
OPEN (several)

AUDIO-VISUAL WORSHIP TEAM

Gabe Corro
Craig Johnson
John Mansur
Ron Powell
Logan Shapiro
OPEN (several)

AUDIT COMMITTEE

OPEN

BELL CHOIR

Alleluia Ringers, Richard
Severing, director

BOY SCOUT TROOP 402

Phil Moore, Scoutmaster
Jon Gordon, Exec. Com. Chair

CARING MINISTRIES

OPEN, chair
Donna Bennett
Rochell Cheplak
Ramona Hohenstein
Deb Kline Tollefson
Julie Shireman
Briana Spors
Beth Wendt
Linda Whitelock

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM

Nicole Calverley
Christen Martine
Carrie Mullen
Jodie Norman

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tom Biege (2023)
Steve Geller (2024)
Kelly Dora (2025)
Deb Horton (2024)
Steve Karges (2024)
Becky Saliby (2023)
Dave Sonntag, chair (2023)
John Williams (2025)
OPEN (2025)

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tom Biege, Trustees
Marna Bonnell, Preschool and
Daycare (2025)
Donna Devine, lay member to
Annual Conference (2024)
Greg Devine, SPRC (2024)
Margaret Geller (2024)
Valerie Schmoltdt ♦
Nancy Sonntag, lay leader (2024)
Daryl Spors, chair (2024)
OPEN
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Maria Schoville
Amy Schulz, chair
Candi Korn Sheppard

COLUMBARIUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dawn Edwards
Steve Geisler, chair
Steve Karges
George Kiskunas
John Williams

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Rhonda Alvin
Ellen Braatz
Amy Dora
Dianne Edson

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

Greg Devine (2024)
Stew Hebel, lay leader (2025)
Mark Kopp, chair (2023)
Lynda Naatz Richter (2023)
Maria Schoville (2025)
Amy Schulz (2025)
Briana Spors, lay member to
Annual Conference (2024)
Larry Squire (2024)
OPEN (2023)

CARGILL FOUNDATION

Marna Bonnell, treasurer (2024)
Jim Borgerding (2025)
Amy Dora (2025)
Kristi Filter (2023)
Josh Gray (2024)
Bill Klemp (2025)
Pam Schmoltdt, vice pres. (2023)
Mark Schroeder, president
(2023)
Pete Schulz (2024)
Sharyn Sheen, secretary,
ex-officio

LeAnn Hebel
Marilyn Heshelman
Ramona Hohenstein
Lynn & Steve Karges
Barb & George Kiskunas
Sara Pedersen
Carol Race
Sue Schroeder
Janet Smith
Mary Sommers
Briana Spors
Sandy Stratmeyer
Aleta Thompson, chair
Beth Wendt
Marge Wright

CROP WALK COORDINATOR

Chris Devine

FINANCIAL COUNTERS

Janice Delo

Dianne Edson

Diane Quade

Sue Schroeder

HISTORY AND ARCHIVES

Charlene Aldrich

David Calverley, co-chair

Lou Cheplak

Barbara Cummings

Margaret Delaney, co-chair

Janet Dow

Diane Quade

Sharyn Sheen

HOSPITALITY & SUNDAY**FELLOWSHIP**

Donna Devine

Virginia Douglas

Marilyn Heshelman

Linda McWilliams

Sara Pedersen

Diane Quade, chair

Sue Schroeder

Janet Smith

Mary Sommers

Aleta Thompson

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Crystal Computer Consulting

LAWN MOWING

Janice Delo

Donna Devine

Steve Geisler

Stew Hebel

Alex & Brian Schmoldt

Sue Schroeder

LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES

Nancy Hansen Bennett

Julie Buckman

Amy Dora

Keri Johnson

Ron Powell

Linda Whitelock

Lindell Whitelock

LIVE NATIVITY

OPEN, coordinator(s)

**LOOKING UP HEALTH &
WELLNESS MINISTRY**

Elizabeth Armstrong

Karen Armstrong

Kris Borgerding, co-chair

Chris Devine

Dianne Edson

Lynn Karges

Briana Spors, co-chair

Linda Whitelock

MEMORIALS

Marge Wright

**MERCY & JUSTICE
COMMITTEE**

Rhonda Alvin

Ann Calverley

Wendy Casey

Amy Dora

Sara Pedersen, ex-officio,

Bountiful Blessings

Becky Saliby

Brian Schmoldt, chair

Briana Spors

OPEN (several)

PRAYER COORDINATOR(S)

OPEN

QUILT MINISTRY

Goshen Quilters

SANCTUARY CARE MINISTRY

Val Geller

Sue Schroeder

Marge Wright

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Jane Anderson (2024)

Kathy Bunton (2023)

Dianne Edson (2024)

Jan Ishmael (2023)

Deb Koch (2023)

Jeff Schmoldt, chair (2024)

OPEN (three positions)

SNOW PLOWING

Chris Klund, Klund Building and
Grounds

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Amy Dora, president

Carmen Minch, cook

USHERS COORDINATOR

Jonas Moench

**WELCOMING & CONNECTING
MINISTRY**

Ramona Hohenstein, greeters

Diane Quade, Sunday fellowship

Jonas Moench, ushers

OPEN, Sunday transportation
coordinator

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Heidi Alderman, Rhonda Alvin,

Dianne Edson, Carrie Mullen,

Val Schmoldt, Briana Spors

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

OPEN (several)

Corrections? Please e-mail Office Manager Jo Barrow at jo@cargillumc.org

There is a place for you

How can we help you find a place to make a difference in something greater than ourselves? We'd love for you to find a place to serve so that you might say, "Finally, something in the church that fits me!"

If you have a nudge to serve or a question or curiosity, please feel free to contact any of the following:

- Amy Powell, discipleship pastor, amy@cargillumc.org
- Stew Hebel, co-lay leader, stew.hebel@gmail.com
- Nancy Sonntag, co-lay leader, ndsonntag@gmail.com
- Any member of the Nominations & Leadership Development team. You can reach them at jo@cargillumc.org
- Any member of the staff below

Staff

LEAD PASTOR

Rev. Steve Scott

DISCIPLESHIP PASTOR

Rev. Amy Powell

PASTOR OF SENIOR MINISTRY & VISITATION

Rev. Stu Allen

DIRECTOR OF CARGILL CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

Dawn Allen

DIRECTOR OF MEDIA MINISTRY

Krystal Burton

DIRECTOR OF MINISTRY RESOURCES | FINANCE & OPERATIONS

Valerie Schmoltdt

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Richard Severing

OFFICE MANAGER

Jo Barrow

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & OPERATIONS

Gladis Albino, Custodian

OPEN, Maintenance

CARGILL CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

Lynn Mustio, Assistant Director

Teaching staff (22)

Teresa Dykstra, Cook

Nathan Cherry, Custodian

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Heidi Alderman, Nursery Care, Weddings

Mark Banner, Audio-Visual/ Webmaster

Dianne Edson, Mercy & Justice Ministries

Keri Johnson, Youth & Children's Ministries

OPEN, Kitchen Ministries

WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Marie Severing, Chorale Director

Brian Leeper, Worship Musician

Pam Graper, Assistant Worship Musician

WORSHIP LEADERS

Brittney Mansur

Laurie Mitchell



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