

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH
GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

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Subject Social Ministry Committee
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Committee Social Ministry

Organization/Standing Committees/Social Ministry Committee

I. Mission Statement:

The mission of the Social Ministry Committee is to reach out into the congregation and community to identify social needs and to respond with faithful ministries.

II. Committee Composition:

A. The committee is composed of the following members:

1. Volunteers
2. At least one member of Congregation Council

B. The Chairperson is appointed by the Congregation Council President

III. Committee Responsibilities:

A. The committee shall have the following responsibilities:

1. To meet monthly;
2. To provide minutes of its meetings to Congregation Council;
3. To provide an annual report to the congregation;
4. To administer a contingency fund, the St. James Sharing Ministry Fund, that is annually budgeted by the congregation for the purpose of helping families in the congregation and in the community in times of emergency need;
5. To provide financial support to designated social outreach projects on behalf of the congregation through the St. James Sharing Ministry Fund, which utilizes a portion of the congregation's interest earned from designated estates and trusts, and to annually review the designation of funds and revise as appropriate;
6. To monitor social outreach needs and keep abreast of new or changing community outreach programs;
7. To sponsor and encourage participation in outreach programs by both committee members and members of the congregation.

B. The committee is accountable to the Congregation Council for the oversight of these responsibilities.