## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH St.Paul, Minnesota

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## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE Functions and Policies

## I. ORGANIZATION

The Congregational Life Committee (hereafter referred to as the committee), shall consist of voting members of the congregation who have a understanding and interest in congregational life ministries. The committee will elect from its membership a chairperson and a recorder.

## II. RESPONSIBILITIES

The committee shall:

- A. Nurture, stimulate and invite congregation members to take part in worship, education and the serving ministries that awaken and encourage them in the use of their spiritual gifts and the growth of their faith; and shall schedule social events and arts activities; and shall identify those members who have become inactive and seek to draw them back to an active worship and faith life.
- B. Contact those members that have not communed on a regular basis
- C. Investigate the reasons for individual inactivity and use this feedback, as appropriate, to determine our course of action as a church.
- D. Handle matters involving discontinuance of active membership and transfers to inactive status, following the guidelines contained in the church bylaws.
- E. Publish a pictorial directory of members periodically.
- F. Schedule periodic congregational events, such as the picnic, advent events, Mardi Gras and Lenten soup suppers.
- G. Nurture and care for members through cassette ministry, devotional materials/ tracts, Scripture Courtesy Center and greeters before and after worship services, visitor recognition during worship services and name tags for members and visitors.

- L. Publish newspaper ads periodically.
- M. Utilize computer services and website to put church in people's mind.
- N. Use other techniques to inform the community of ministries and opportunities available at our church.

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