

Groce UMC
2024 Leadership Team, Ministry Teams, and Committees
5-9-24

LEADERSHIP TEAM (TL3)

TL3 – Team Loving, Learning & Leading

The TL3 team provides overall leadership for Groce as well as performing the specific duties of the Finance Committee and Trustees.

Chair	True Morse (2025)
Finance Chair	John Smith (2024)
Financial Secretary	Jim Ariail (2024)
Trustees Chair	Will Troxell (2024)
SPRC	Diane McEntire (2024)
Member-at-Large	Loring McIntyre (2025)
Member-at-Large	
UMM	Fred Bailey
United Women of Faith	Pamela Bud (2024)
Lay Leader	Rocky Redd (2025)
Lay Delegate to Annual Conference	Laura Jones
Alt. to Annual Conf.	Phil Crouch
Pastor	Jill Rhinehart

MINISTRY TEAMS

Chairs Happily Uniting Ministries (CHUMs)

CHUMs enhances alignment, coordination, communication, and collaboration between the ministry teams to better achieve Groce's mission and vision.

Nurture Ministry Team Chair	Pam Rogalski
Outreach Ministry Team Chair	Marge Ottofy, Jane Williams
Worship & Witness Ministry Team Chair	Laura Jones
Leadership Team Chair	True Morse
Leadership Team Member-at-Large	Sasha Lamb
Pastor	Jill Rhinehart

Nurture Ministry

2024

Tricia Clark

2025

Gail Sherman
Sandra Crouch

2026

Pam Rogalski (Chair)
Nancy Saxman

Pastor: Jill Rhinehart

The nurture ministry considers, develops, and coordinates ministries that will nurture the Groce congregation in the growth of faithful discipleship and the development of Christian fellowship. The Nurture Ministry shall have oversight of the following ministries as well as collaborate and partner with the other ministry teams on joint ministry efforts:

- Attendance follow-up
- Bereavement
- Bible & short-term study groups
- Care for college-age young adults (care packages, etc.)
- Homebound Ministry
- Library
- Ministry Care Groups
- New Member Shepherds
- Nursery services
- Prayer Chain
- Special events/dinners that are internally focused for Groce and not already led by the Hospitality Committee
- Sunday School
- Vacation Bible School if internally focused for Groce children

The nurture ministry may decide to name coordinators of adult, children, family, and youth ministries who will advocate for the special needs of these age levels in the nurturing ministries of the congregation.

Youth Leadership: Jill Rhinehart, Stan Boyd

Bereavement: Sally Smith

Homebound Ministry: Carolyn Ariail (Chair), Sylvia Nicks, Laura Jones, Tricia Clark,
Phil Kromer/Kathryn Morgan, Sophie Moxley

Prime Timers: Alice Magee, Sharon Haberfield, Tricia Clark,

Tables of 16 Coordinator: Linda Lankton

Outreach Ministry

2024

Alice Magee
Carol Arrowood
Marge Ottofy (Co-Chair)

2025

Jane Williams (Co-Chair)
Linda Geer
Steve Lewis

2026

Roberta Binder
Stan Boyd
Jackie Davis

Pastor: Jill Rhinehart

Welcome Table Coordinators: Linda Geer and Maro Slaughter

Family to Family (Reynolds Middle & High): Tina Stovall

Family to Family (Bell Elementary): Jane Morse

The outreach ministry considers, develops, and coordinates ministries which will enable the congregation to reach out and touch the sick and suffering, the poor and the oppressed in Groce's community and the world. This ministry shall have oversight of the following ministries as well as collaborate and partner with the other ministry teams on joint ministry efforts:

- Charles C. Bell Elementary School learning buddies
- Disaster relief missions
- Family to Family Program
- Ministries beyond the local church and community, UM outreach (i.e. Africa University, UMCOR, etc.)
- Mission project support (with Youth, United Women of Faith, UM Men or other groups of the church)
- Outwardly focused special events such as legacy activities Trunk & Treat, Fall Festival, Spring Fling, Pumpkin Patch
- Pet Ministry
- Support of local ministries such as ABCCM, Vets Restoration Quarters, Habitat for Humanity, MANNA Food Bank, Haywood Street Ministries, and Transformation Village
- Welcome Table
- St. Vincent De Paul

Worship/Witness Ministry

2024

Angela Woehl
Terri Kilmer
Carolyn Barber

2025

Phil Crouch
Betty Jones
Nancy Lewis

2026

Debbie Bailey
Terri Justus
Laura Jones (chair)

Staff: Joel Matthews

Altar Guild: Liz Ream

Communion Stewards: Terri Kilmer (Chair), Michelle Troxell, Lillian DeGobbie, Pam Rogalski, Jerry Kirschner, Sasha & Sophie Lamb, Maro Slaughter

Usher Coordinator: Tim Kilmer (8:30am), Jerry & Pat Kirschner (11am)

Offering Coordinator: Jerry Kirschner

The worship/witness ministry considers, develops, and coordinates ministries that invite and receive persons into a relationship with Jesus Christ through church. This ministry will provide opportunities for spiritual growth, and opportunities for worship, and celebration of God's presence. Witness shall oversee the following ministries as well as collaborate and partner with the other ministry teams on joint ministry efforts:

- Acolytes
- Altar Guild
- Children's Sermons
- Choirs (Children, Chancel, Handbells)
- Communion stewards and servers
- Greeters
- Liturgists
- Musicians & special performers
- Ushers
- Visitation Teams

COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

The finance committee is made up of the Leadership Team. Within the Leadership Team there is a sub-group, Business Leadership Team (BLT), consisting of the Finance Chair, Financial Secretary, Trustee Chair, Leadership Team Chair, and the Senior Pastor. The Church Administrator/Treasurer is staff to this team. This committee is responsible for the annual budget, monitoring expenses, financial controls, long-term financial planning, and managing debt.

Business Leadership Team (BLT)

Finance Chair	John Smith
Financial Secretary	Jim Ariail
Trustee Chair	Will Troxell
Leadership Team Chair	True Morse
Pastor	Jill Rhinehart

Trustees Committee

The trustees committee consists of 9 members of the 12-person Leadership Team, excluding the Senior Pastor, Lay Leader, and Lay Delegate to the Conference. The Trustees are responsible for the church buildings, facility use, grounds, security, and vehicles including providing input to the Finance Committee for the budget for short- and long-term repairs, maintenance, and improvements.

Staff-Parish Relations Committee

2024

Diane McEntire (Chair)
Sally Smith
Jean Bailey

2025

David Honeycutt
Brad Ledbetter
Margaret Kuhn

2026

Ed Saxman
Malinda Day
Jim Creel

Lay Leader: Rocky Redd
Lay Delegate: Laura Jones
Pastor: Jill Rhinehart

Lay Leadership and Development Committee

2024

Stan Boyd
Mike Lamb

2025

Sally Smith

2026

Carolyn Ariail
Nancy Creel

Lay Leader: Rocky Redd
Pastor/Chair: Jill Rhinehart

Technology/Communications Committee

Chair: Will Troxell

Members: Michelle Troxell, Veronica Bagwell, Bruce Robinson, Fred Bailey

Newsletter, Website, Facebook, Bulletin Boards: Veronica Bagwell

Parsonage Committee

Chair: Sally Smith

Members: Jerry Kirschner, Sandra Justus, Carolyn Ariail, Larry Barber

Pastor: Jill Rhinehart

Kitchen Committee

Nancy Creel

Jim Creel

Judy Sexton

Hospitality Committee

Jane Williams, Chair

Maro Slaughter

Carolyn Ariail

Nancy Creel