

DEACONS BY PARISH 2020

PARISH 1—Linda Colehower

PARISH 2 - Megan Marks

PARISH 3—Carol MacKenzie

PARISH 4— Michelle Mauldin

PARISH 5—Vicki Domis

PARISH 6—Patty Herkert

PARISH 7—Ann Lowe

PARISH 8—Sally Densmore

PARISH 9—Barbara Moore

PARISH 10—Derek Mauldin

PARISH 11—Sue Silfvast

PARISH 12—Jeannine Foucault

The office of Deacon ... is one of sympathy, witness and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons should be of spiritual character, honest repute, display exemplary lives, show sisterly and brotherly love, have warm sympathies, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry. -*Book of Order*, G 2.0201

Primary duties of a Deacon at First Presbyterian Church of Medford, Oregon

- a) To provide spiritual, emotional and other needed support to Parish members within the church. To accomplish this goal, a Deacon should be active in the life of the church through regular worship and through participation in Bible study, small groups or by other means of spiritual growth.
- b) To act as the communications link between the members of their Parish and the church, enabling everyone to feel a part of the life of the church through regular phone or letter contact, through the sending of greeting cards, through personal contact at church or through other creative means.
- c) To pray for the members of their Parish on a regular basis.
- d) To assist if requested by Parish members, in the nurturing of their spiritual growth through prayer and by providing information as to how he or she may become more involved in the church or where and how they may have their needs addressed.
- e) To inform the pastor of specific problems or needs (physical or spiritual) of a Parish member (i.e. is a member in the hospital, anticipating test results, feeling especially lonely or depressed?). This information should also be filled in the Parish report.
- f) To minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless and to any who may be in distress.
- g) To accompany the pastor when he/she takes home communion to a parish member.