

# **Commissioning Statements for the Ministries of Davis Community Church**

**Adopted by the Session of DCC, 2004**

## **Ministry of Buildings and Grounds**

The Ministry of Buildings and Grounds shall plan and provide oversight for the care and maintenance of all the physical facilities of the church and for improvements to those facilities, which would enhance the ministry and mission of DCC. It shall develop policy for room use by both church and community groups, which are administered by the office staff at DCC. They shall provide oversight for the custodial staff of the church and landscape maintenance.

## **Ministry of Christian Formation**

The Christian Formation Ministry of Davis Community Church shall be responsible for assisting persons in the greater Davis community in their journeys toward experiencing God and living from that experience throughout their daily lives. This shall include all age groups – children, youth, and adults. It shall be done in conjunction with the other ministries and ministers at the church. They shall provide policy guidance for DCC Nursery School and support the library.

## **Ministry of Church and Society**

The Ministry of Church and Society shall oversee the interface between our congregation and the world in need, both locally and globally. They shall provide guidance for our mission outreach in Davis and throughout the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s national and global mission programs. They shall distribute the Deacon's Fund monies and if possible oversee correlating involvement from congregation members. They shall oversee the activities of the DCC Peace and Justice group, Bread of Life Center, CA House, and DCC's Brown-Bag –Lunch ministry. Church and Society shall oversee and encourage congregational involvement in programs such as Davis Community Meals, Grace in Action, Yolo Wayfarers Center, Yolo Community Care Continuum, Care for God's Creation, Covenant Network and others that congregational members express commitment to and are formally recognized by Church and Society. They shall promote ministries for peace and social justice through Presbyterian Church (USA), other faith based non-profit and interfaith based endeavors. Church and Society shall also encourage all members of DCC to be committed and involved personally and communally in such ministries.

## **Ministry of Community Life**

The Ministry of Community Life shall promote and encourage fellowship and community in our congregation. The ministry shall provide for such all-church family events as the Harvest Dinner, Wonderful Wednesday, and the Sunday morning coffee hour. The ministry shall provide oversight for the many adult fellowship groups in our congregation and for the Scouting program."

### **Ministry of Congregational Care**

The Ministry of Congregational Care shall provide oversight for the care of individual members by our congregation at times of special needs or significant occasions. They shall work with the pastoral staff and our Stephen Ministry to provide pastoral care to those who are ill, homebound, or in need of special care. They shall develop an expanded ministry to the senior members of our congregation which includes oversight of the Home Communion ministry as well as other methods of caring for and maintaining contact with our senior members. They shall develop and oversee the Care Team Ministry and provide oversight for the Prayer Chain. They shall care for the church rolls.

### **Ministry of Laity and Outreach**

The Ministry of Laity and Outreach shall oversee and encourage programs that invite people to join us at DCC, welcome them when they do, and then fully assimilate them into the life and ministry of the church. They shall work with the appropriate DCC staff to provide New Member support, particularly in the areas of new member classes, the Buddy System for new members, providing opportunities for members to discover their spiritual gifts and call. They shall oversee the annual Time and Talent Survey with the goal of each member of the congregation becoming passionately involved in the mission of DCC.

### **The Ministry of Financial Support**

The Ministry of Financial Support shall oversee the financial health of DCC, along with the Church Treasurer and Minister of Finance, and assist the church in using financial resources wisely to advance God's mission. The ministry shall direct annual and special fund raising campaigns, oversee the budget process and cash flow policies, direct the solicitation and management of special funds, review all fund raising proposals and direct appropriate fiscal resources to Presbyterian programs.

### **Ministry with Worship**

The Ministry of Worship shall oversee the worship life of the congregation and all the programs primarily related to worship, including our music ministry. It shall assist the pastors in the development of new or special worship services and provide guidance for the Liturgical Arts Guild (to be developed), the Technology Guild (to be developed), the Flower Guild, and the Communion Guild. The ministry shall be responsible for the training and recruitment of lay liturgists and our ministers of hospitality (ushers and greeters) on Sunday morning.