

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE (FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE IS SUBSUMED)**

**Our Vision:** Members and friends of Immanuel Presbyterian church feel welcome at any church function, have opportunities to grow closer and deeper in relationship with one another, and are empowered to extend hospitality to others.

### **Goals:**

1. To provide regular opportunities for members and friends to be together in a relaxed, safe environment.
2. To encourage depth in relationships through meaningful encounters in small groups and other settings.
3. To provide opportunities for table fellowship on a regular basis as well as opportunities for fun.
4. To develop and implement a plan to shepherd newcomers into the life of the church so that they have the opportunity to feel connected.
5. See that connections are regularly made with members and friends of Immanuel who are physically unable to participate in the life of the church.

### **Our Responsibilities**

1. In consultation with the Finance Committee and with approval of the Session the committee will budget for and execute authorized funding to achieve the committee's goals.
2. Establish a plan for small group development and participation.
3. Oversee the maintenance and promote use of nametags among worship participants
4. Plan and serve the traditional thanksgiving meal the Sunday before Thanksgiving
5. Plan and provide other meals that will enhance the ministry goals of the church.
6. Plan and implement opportunities for fun together (e.g. annual talent show).
7. Plan, promote and implement an annual church retreat.
8. Plan, promote and implement gatherings specifically to welcome and assimilate newcomers.
9. Monitor the work of the task force to stay connected with shut-ins and others who need visitation.
10. Make a monthly report to Session including written recommendations for action.
11. Recruit sufficient committee members for efficient and effective performance of committee responsibilities.