



# BECOME A VOLUNTEER

## Connection

Building relationships with God and each other is at the heart of everything we do here at Central Community Church. For those who have never connected in a group or volunteered before. [A Place for You](#) is your opportunity to meet people, make connections and find out what we are all about. You'll learn more about why we do what we do. But more importantly, it is a space for you to begin connecting and growing in community. This group runs a number of times throughout the year. Visit [centralcc.ca/groups](http://centralcc.ca/groups) to find out when the next session starts. Come and meet Pastor Bill and Pastor Janet and get connected!

Maybe you find yourself wondering where you fit or what God wants you to do in this season of life. In the group [SHAPE](#), we explore how He has created you to make a unique contribution to the world. We will explore the spiritual gifts, heartbeat, abilities, personality, and life experiences that make you a beautiful masterpiece, poised to make a unique impact for Him. This group runs for 8 weeks in the fall and spring seasons. To learn more about Groups at Central or to register for either of these groups, visit [centralcc.ca/groups](http://centralcc.ca/groups).

## Volunteer Application

If you are already established in our community and know what you are passionate about doing, we encourage you to head online to [centralcc.ca/volunteer](http://centralcc.ca/volunteer).

We have two applications available, one for adult volunteers (18+) and a Jr. Leader Program application (12-17). Here you will find out about all our volunteer opportunities, the screening process, and links to our applications. If you find the online platform challenging, feel free to drop by the Connections Wall in the lobby on Sunday mornings for assistance.

## Volunteer Screening

As a church, we value the safety and security of all our attendees, especially our children and vulnerable adults. Therefore, it is required that all volunteers take an [Abuse Prevention Training](#) course to learn more about your role in creating a safe environment here at Central. All volunteers at Central are also required to complete a [police background check](#). All the documents and information needed to complete this application will be provided once you submit your volunteer application. It is important that you wait until directed to apply for your police check to avoid processing delays.

## First Serve Opportunity

Once you have completed the volunteer screening process, we will forward your contact information to the appropriate ministry leader for follow up. That leader will arrange an opportunity to meet you in person and provide you with an initial introduction to your volunteer position. "First Serve" is the opportunity to give this position a test drive to see if it is a good fit for you. Afterwards, if it's something you enjoy, the leader will coordinate a schedule with you. If either of you realize the role isn't a great fit for you or the team, the ministry leader will redirect you back to the Volunteer Coordinator to connect you to another opportunity.

Excited to get involved but unsure of your fit? Below are a few reflective questions to get you thinking and a list of opportunities available.

Where do I feel drawn to the most?

Am I people oriented or task oriented?

What brings me the most joy in life?

How much time can I commit?

What spiritual gifts or abilities do I have?

What do I absolutely love doing?

Am I introverted or outgoing?

What skills or life experiences do I possess?

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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### Central Kids

This team creates an environment where children are consistently exposed to the love of Jesus. They intentionally invest in the lives of our children through worship, videos, small groups, games and more. Each age group receives a fun, unique approach to the message of God's love. Our Kids Ministry team will help you find the right age group where you are most passionate or comfortable to serve in the following classes on Sundays:

Nursery (0-2)

Preschool (2-3 yrs)

Kindergarten (4-5 yrs)

Kidopolis (Grades 1-5)

### Central Youth | Jr. (Gr 6-8) & Sr. (Gr 9-12)

This team is passionate about seeing this generation of youth encounter a God who loves them. Through authentic relationship, creative teaching, engaging environments they walk alongside youth who are being challenged in their faith daily. Sunday & mid-week opportunities.

## Guest Services Teams

Our Sunday Guest Services team work together to make all regular attendees and guests of Central feel welcomed and comfortable from the moment they enter our parking lot.

### **Parking Team**

Keep our busy parking lot moving in an orderly fashion to help our guests come and go with ease. They are also often the first friendly point of contact for our first-time guests.

### **Greeters**

Love to greet people, offer a welcoming handshake, and give directions? Meet our guests at the lobby doors and assist them to their destinations.

### **Ushers**

Prepare people for a positive worship experience by welcoming them at the doors or assisting them to a seat, facilitating the offering and maintaining a distraction-free environment inside the auditorium.

### **Cafe**

Connect with guests by offering refreshments and a warm welcome.

### **Kids Sign-in**

Welcome families as they arrive at our Central Kids areas and facilitate the check-in process to ensure children are cared for and safe.

### **Safety Team**

Be a first responder to emergencies or illnesses that arise on the premises to ensure our guests are cared for and safe.

## Administration & Support

Behind everything amazing you experience through Central, there are hours of preparation, follow-up and administrative tasks which help us create welcoming environments and show how much we care.

Reception (weekdays)

Data Entry

Event Prep: Set up & tear down (Sunday and mid-week opportunities)

Central Kids behind the scenes: crafts/set prep; seasonal events; day camps; props maintenance; resource room management & data entry.

## Weekend Experience Teams

Our weekend experience team creates unforgettable experiences for our guests to encounter the presence of God.

### **Music & Worship**

Using their musical talents, this team utilizes vocals and instruments to set the tone for our weekend experiences through dynamic worship. Applying to serve on this team includes a video-recorded audition.

### **Production Team**

Through the technology of sound, video and lighting, vocal talents, and instruments, this team creates unforgettable experiences for people who come to Central. If you are tech savvy or love the behind-the-scenes work, then this is a great place for you to get involved.

### **Media & Communication**

This team works together with our Communications Department to capture photography, video and generate social media content helping to raise awareness and inspiration of what God is doing in our city.

## Community Crew

For us, mission isn't just something that happens in a far-off place. It is an everyday endeavor that serves the real needs of individuals in our community. [Community Crew](#), is involved and active in a variety of ways across the Niagara Region. The [Lunch Angels Program](#), prepares and distributes school lunches for kids in need. The [Community Crew Café](#) is a volunteer run café providing refreshments to those attending Central Community events. The sales of these refreshments help provide funds for the Lunch Angels Program. Community Crew also has several one-day events that engage volunteers in planning, preparation, setup, hosting and clean up. To get connected please contact Corinne Durksen at 289-273-0859 ex. 202 or visit their website: [www.communitycrew.ca](http://www.communitycrew.ca) for more information regarding their volunteer engagement process.