Board of Member Care

Lost Sheep Ministry **Visitor**

Mission Statement: The Lost Sheep Ministry of Grace Lutheran Church, out of love and concern for people's spiritual well-being, contacts members who have been absent from worship services for a period of greater than three months in an effort to bring them back home to the Grace family.

Description: The Lost Sheep Ministry Visitor reaches out in love in an effort to communicate with those individuals who have been absent from worship to invite them back to worship and/or to determine the following:

- Why has the member been absent from worship?
- Does Grace meet their worship needs? If not, why not?
- What improvements can Grace make that would prevent the loss of members from worship?
- Are there significant problems that need to be addressed? If so, how can Grace help?

Qualifications:

- Spiritually active member of Grace Lutheran Church
- Good listener
- Good phone skills
- Able to utilize alternative communication methods (email, social media, etc.)

Responsibilities:

- 1. Meet on a monthly basis with the Pastor and/or Staff Minister to determine contacts to be made.
- 2. Make contacts by phone, digitally, or in person in an effort to guide individuals back home to Grace.
- 3. Take notes on contacts made attempted and/or successful.
- 4. Report to the Pastor and/or Staff Minister any circumstances that may need immediate attention.

Time Commitment:

- Up to 6 hours per month
- Minimum 1-year commitment, reviewed annually.

Relationships: The Lost Sheep Ministry Visitor works with the Pastor, Staff Minister, and members of the congregation who need to be contacted.

Training: Training will be provided by the Pastor and Staff Minister or by other members who have served in the Lost Sheep Ministry.

*If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Henning at 920-682-7377 (church) or 507-766-0438 (cell).