## 2014-2015 Committee and Interest Group Descriptions

**Worship Committee**: Assists the pastor and music ministries director in making worship at RMC meaningful. Monthly meetings

**Nursery Committee:** Creates a warm and safe environment for our youngest members (0-3 years) while providing care during church services and Sunday School.

**Usher/Greeter Committee**: Ushers and greeters help establish an initial spirit of worship by offering a welcome greeting, providing information as needed, and offering help with seating or special needs.

**Visual Arts Committee**: Makes worship more meaningful by use of flowers, artwork, and other items for Sunday services, special events, church seasons, etc. Also consulted on issues related to interior design.

Adult Education Committee: Develops classes for adult education.

Youth Education Committee: Oversees children's education (Pre-school through 12) in the church.

**Library Committee**: Maintains the library collection in an attractive manner with specific attention to Mennonite authors or subject matter, emphasis on issues of peace and justice, and diversity.

**Youth Support Board**: Provides support to youth group leaders and works with the Gifts Discernment Committee to seek out youth group leaders

**Youth Sponsors**: Provides leadership for either the Jr. or Sr. High Youth through regular, varied activities.

**Youth Mentoring Program Committee**: Matches interested youth and adult mentors; does orientation, annual kickoff, background checks via outside firm, and occasional checkups with participants.

Welcoming Committee: Fosters a welcoming attitude to all visitors.

**Social Committee**: Facilitates fellowship activities, particularly those pertaining to meal and functions involving food that take place in Fellowship Hall.

Small Group Committee: Organizes and maintains small group program, adding to groups as needed.

**Retreat Committee**: Provides an annual opportunity for the congregation to get to know and fellowship with each other, to worship together, and to learn in a social/recreational setting.

**Publications Committee**: Assists with providing opportunities for congregation members to stay informed about the life and functioning of the church.

**Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) Committee**: Provides opportunity for individuals to serve those in need of assistance resulting from natural disasters or otherwise being served by the MDS organization.

**Mennonite Voluntary Service Support Board**: Provides a local support group who are a liaison between the MVS Unit and church community; helps the Unit meet its goal of serving the wider community.

Rainbow Community Garden: Serves Rosedale and the church community through the garden.

**Outreach Committee**: Seeks to identify, organize, and equip service opportunities for members of the congregation to fulfill the church's mission by developing partnerships in the surrounding community.

**Peace and Justice Fellowship**: Educates our congregation about local, national, and international peace and justice issues; builds relationships with similar groups and promotes wider community events.

**Park (Whitmore Playground) Committee:** Maintains the park facilities to provide an inviting recreation area for people of all ages and abilities in the surrounding community.

**Adopt-A-Section**: small groups of people to care for each section of the park; involves several hours of "yard" work every week or 2 during the summer with opportunity to mentor and visit while working.

**Gifts Discernment Committee**: Helps individuals to connect with the church by giving of their time and talents; helps the church and groups in the church fulfill the mission by connecting talents with needs. Serves as nominating committee for elected offices.

**Personnel Committee**: Assists Church Council and pastor with matters related to hired personnel other than pastor

**Stewardship Committee**: Provides financial planning and oversight for church financial matters. Assists in developing an annual budget for the congregation's planned expenses and benevolences.

**College Grants Committee**: Distributes designated money to students attending Mennonite Colleges. (For legal reasons, parents of students using the grants cannot serve on this committee.)

**Rainbow Performing Arts Committee**: Organizes an annual concert series in addition to coordinating other performing arts events.

Remembrance Garden Committee: Provides oversight of the Remembrance Garden

**Moderator**(s): member of the church council leadership team consisting of the moderator elect, moderator, and past moderator over a 3 year period.

Treasurer: Receives, accounts for, and disburses money at direction of Church Council and the budget

Secretary: Keeps a record of the congregational and council meetings

Serve, Learn, Worship, and Community Building Liaisons: Each liaison represents the committees in his or her area to Church Council

**Deacons**: Assists the pastor in providing for the spiritual welfare of the congregation and support the pastor in the pastor's ministry to the congregation. Meets monthly.

**Trustees Committee**: Acts on behalf of the church to manage all church real estate and property. Responsible for maintaining a viable plan for real estate and upkeep in an orderly manner. Meets monthly.