

# Board of Elders

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## Lost Sheep Ministry Contactor

**Mission Statement:** The Lost Sheep Ministry of Trinity Evangelical 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 Trinity family.

**Description:** The Lost Sheep Ministry Contactor reaches out in love in an effort to communicate with those individuals who have been absent from worship for a period in excess of three months to invite them back to worship and/or to ascertain the following:

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

**Qualifications:**

- Spiritually active male or female member of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church
- Good listener
- Good phone skills
- Able to utilize alternative communication methods (e-mail, social media, etc.)
- Spiritually mature (Not new to the Word)

**Responsibilities:**

1. Meet on a monthly basis with Coordinator to determine contacts to be made.
2. Make contacts by phone, card, electronically, or in person in an effort to guide individuals back home to Trinity.
3. Fill out a contact card for the Coordinator.
4. Report to Coordinator any circumstances that may need immediate attention.

**Time Commitment:**

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

**Relationships:** The Lost Sheep Ministry Contactor works with the Coordinator and members of the congregation who need to be contacted.

**Training:** The Lost Sheep Ministry Contactor will be trained by the Coordinator or by other members who have served in the Lost Sheep Ministry.