

## COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

The purpose of the Communications Team is to facilitate communications between members, between church organizations and all church members, and between Eastminister Church and the community in which we live. The goal is that these lines of communication will be reciprocal and flow for mutual benefit.

The functions and activities for which the Communications Team is responsible include Pew Points, Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations, Church Directory, Church Bulletin Boards, Publications/Publicity, Share and Care and Stephen Ministry. Rather than one overseeing team, the responsibilities of the Communications Team are handled by separate and distinct groups, each responsible for delivering unique services. For example the Pew Points team compiles and edits articles, illustrates and distributes Eastminister's newsletter monthly. The Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through difficult times. The Stephen Ministers also offer programs to assist congregational members and others in facing and dealing with challenging events which occur in our lives.

The goals for the Communications Team for 2016 are the following:

- To increase the use of Pew Points as a means of informing the congregation of church events, programs, group projects and news of other happenings within the Presbyterian Church.
- To provide the Stephen Ministers with any additional training the group and new members may need plus assist in publicizing the informational events they host.
- To increase the publication of the services, programs and events of Eastminister to the surrounding community and solicit their involvement.
- To recognize significant events such as birthdays, anniversaries and church membership in the lives of congregational members