

SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY (short form)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Occupation _____ Date: _____

Please take a moment to update your spiritual gifts and interests. There are no right or wrong answers! Next to each statement, check the column which best describes you. Those statements where you checked "often" may indicate your spiritual gifts. If you have any other comments, requests, or ideas, please feel free to write them on the back of this page. If you would like more information about your spiritual gifts, or a longer, more complete version of this inventory, please contact Debbie Brighter at urgifted1@hotmail.com.

	<u>Often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>
1. I enjoy singing or playing a musical instrument with a group of fellow Christians (traditional or contemporary). (Vocal and Instrumental Music)	_____	_____	_____
2. I find it rewarding to teach people about God's love and our Christian faith (Teaching)	_____	_____	_____
3. I am confident in God's guidance as I make important decisions. (Faith)	_____	_____	_____
4. I have fun working with my hands at various arts and crafts or I like participating in drama or liturgical dance. (Craftsmanship -- Arts)	_____	_____	_____
5. I am joyful about sharing my material and spiritual gifts to help others. (Giving)	_____	_____	_____
6. I enjoy making guests feel comfortable whether they are in my home or at church. (Hospitality)	_____	_____	_____
7. I am able to share words of encouragement, comfort, or cheer with others. (Encouragement)	_____	_____	_____
8. It's easy for me to show care and concern for small groups and individuals. (Shepherding)	_____	_____	_____
9. I feel comfortable talking with other people about spiritual matters. (Evangelism)	_____	_____	_____
10. I enjoy helping and working with people during illness or problems. (Mercy)	_____	_____	_____
11. I enjoy using my skills to build or repair objects. (Craftsmanship -- Manual)	_____	_____	_____
12. I am glad to assist others when asked. (Helping)	_____	_____	_____
13. I see what needs to be done and I take responsibility for doing it. (Serving)	_____	_____	_____
14. I am able to "see the big picture" and plan to get things done. (Administration)	_____	_____	_____
15. I am able to set goals according to God's will and to help motivate people to accomplish them. (Leadership)	_____	_____	_____
16. I know that God hears and responds to my daily prayers. (Intercession)	_____	_____	_____
17. My study of the Bible has proven helpful to others in their faith journey. (Knowledge)	_____	_____	_____
18. When a challenge is presented, I am usually able to identify an appropriate solution. (Wisdom)	_____	_____	_____
19. I am able to take a thought or idea and put it into a clear and inspiring written form. (Writing)	_____	_____	_____

What do you love to do? (examples: cook, garden, fix things, golf, sing, entertain, spend time with teens, surf the net, read, watch movies, fish, do artwork, create things on the computer, teach things to young children, listen to music, clean, play games, sew, write, decorate, organize, invest, study, have philosophical discussions, act, dance, play a musical instrument, or anything else you love to do!)

Are there any specific areas that you wish to use your gifts at First Lutheran Church?

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1. **Administration:** Better understand and set goals for various groups. You will be able to work with facts and/or figures, plan programming and see that goals and ideas are accomplished. *Scriptural References:* 1 Corinthians 12:28, Acts 14:23
2. **Craftsmanship - Arts and Crafts:** use your hands, thoughts and mind through creative, artistic means to further God's kingdom. *Scriptural References:* Exodus 31:1-11, Psalm 149:3a
3. **Craftsmanship - Manual:** use your hands and ideas in areas of maintenance and upkeep of God's physical and environmental settings. *Scriptural References:* Exodus 30:1-6, Exodus 31:3-5, Ezekiel 27:4-11
4. **Evangelism:** share the Good News of the love of Jesus Christ in such a way that others will experience that same love and will come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. *Scriptural References:* Matthew 28: 16-20, Ephesians 4:11-16, Acts 2:36-40
5. **Encouragement:** minister words of counsel, comfort or encouragement to members of the community of faith in such a way that they feel uplifted, helped or healed. *Scriptural References:* John 14:1, II Timothy 1:16-18, III John 5-8
6. **Faith:** see the spirit at work and know with confidence what God's will is for your life and the community of faith. Trust the leading of the Holy Spirit where it may lead. *Scriptural References:* Genesis 12:1-4a, Mark 5:25-34, I Thessalonians 1:8-10
7. **Giving:** recognize God's blessings by contributing your material resources to the work of the Lord with generosity and cheerfulness. *Scriptural References:* II Corinthians 9:6-15, Luke 21: 1-4
8. **Helping:** using the gifts you have to assist others in the life and ministry of the church, allowing the person helped to increase the effectiveness of their spiritual gifts. *Scriptural References:*
9. **Hospitality:** to be caring and open to those in need. You feel good as you provide food and lodging and enjoy having people in your home. *Scriptural References:* Romans 12:13, Romans 16:23a, Luke 10:38
10. **Intercession:** to pray for extended periods of time and see frequent and specific answers to your prayers, to a degree much greater than the average Christian. *Scriptural References:* Matthew 6:6-15, Luke 11:1-10, Ephesians 6:18
11. **Knowledge:** accumulate, discover, analyze and share ideas and information that are pertinent to the growth and well being of the community of faith. *Scriptural References:* I Corinthians 12:8, I Corinthians 14:6, Romans 12:2
12. **Leadership:** set goals in accordance with God's will and share these goals with others in such a way that they work together to accomplish the desired outcome. Others look to you for guidance and direction. *Scriptural References:* Romans 12:8, John 21:15-17, II Timothy 4:1-5
13. **Mercy:** feel genuine compassion and empathy for individuals who suffer mental, physical, or emotional problems and translate that compassion into cheerfully done deeds that reflect God's love. *Scriptural References:* Luke 7:12-15, Luke 10:30-37, Matthew 25:34-36
14. **Music - Vocal:** use your voice to sing praises to the Lord and sensitize the listener to receiving the message of the gospel. *Scriptural References:* Psalm 96:1-9, Psalm 100:1-2, Psalm 149:1-2
15. **Music - Instrumental:** Play an instrument in such a manner that it brings praise to God and inspires and leads others in worship. *Scriptural References:* Psalm 33:1-5, Psalm 150, 1 Samuel 16:14-23
16. **Serving:** identify unmet needs involved in a task related to God's work and make use of available resources to meet those needs and accomplish the desired goals. *Scriptural References:* Luke 23:50-54, Romans 16: 1-16, Philippians 2:19-23
17. **Shepherding:** serve as one who is a facilitator or counselor. You will see that God's Word is fed to those in your care and you will also feel responsible for the well being of a group of individuals. *Scriptural References:* I Timothy 4:12-16, I Timothy 3:1-13, II Timothy 4:1-2
18. **Teaching:** share knowledge with children and/or adults that will aid in their growth and the spiritual health of the community of faith. *Scriptural References:* I Corinthians 12:28, Matthew 5:1-12, Acts 18:24-48
19. **Wisdom:** offer counsel and advice with a special understanding of situations that arise in people's lives. Active listening skills are often used. *Scriptural References:* I Corinthians 2:6-12, James 3:13-18, II Chronicles 1:7-11
20. **Writing:** put your thoughts and ideas into written works that will be relevant and meaningful to those who read them. People will find knowledge, guidance, and courage as the words are read. *Scriptural References:* I John 2:1-6, 12-14, I Timothy 3:14-15, Jude 3