Deacon Team

Pastoral Contact: Rev. Lanta Carroll

Working closely with the Pastor for Congregational Care, Deacons serve as the care team at Park Ave, establishing a relationship with everyone in their care group. Care groups are made up of up to ten families or individuals who are part of the Park Ave Family. Deacons are elected by the congregation and ordained as an extension of the pastoral care ministry, providing support to all members and friends of Park Ave. Specifically supporting those who are adjusting to change, loss, illness or death as well as sharing in moments of celebration and happiness. Deacons reach out to those who are unable to get out and attend worship and who would like a visit for prayer, to share communion or just to talk. Deacons are elected annually and serve a three year term. Deacons must be at least 18 years old and an active member of Park Ave for at least one year.

Deacons are elected by the congregation because they demonstrate a deep love for Park Ave, have a willingness to serve others, and concern for the spiritual well being of our community. Deacons at Park Ave are not held to a higher standard than anyone else, but are fellow travelers on this journey of faith and want to make sure no one walks alone. They commit to the sacred task of holding gently someone else's story.

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