## Women's Ministry Team Annual Report Community Bible Church - Pierre, SD | 2024

The Women's Ministry Team of Community Bible Church exists to equip women to grow in love of Christ and community. Our ministry is open to all women of Community Bible Church.

The Women's Ministry Team ended the 2024 fiscal year with 4 voting members: Rachel Hettinger – Chair; Brenda Engbrecht, Katelyn Todd, Sara Ogan and 1 ex-officio member, Kathryn Sumner. Various other women helped to conduct events and serve the women of CBC. The CBC Women's Ministry Team is looking for new members to join our team with ideas to serve the women of our church.

Team members along with the women of Community Bible Church planned special events this year that included Monthly Coffee & Connection Dates during the school year, the Women's Mentorship Program, and spent most of the year planning and preparing for the 2024 Fall Ladies Retreat. Team members followed the Women's Ministry Framework that was approved by the CBC Elder Board in 2020.

CBC Women's Ministry has developed a Women's Mentorship Program that started in November of 2023 in effort to create discipleship relationships between women. Our mission statement for this program is: "Encounter one another and grow with each other to live for God's glory through Christ Centered Relationships." With this program, women have the opportunity to fill out an application to be either a Mentor or a Mentee. In November of 2023, CBC Women's Ministry was able to pair together 18 women. The Women's Ministry Team does have plans to continue this program into the future, hopefully blessing numerous women with the gift of discipleship relationships.

As a Women's Ministry Team, we love to see women gaining connections and developing friendships with their sisters in Christ. With this idea, Coffee & Connections was created in September 2022. Coffee & Connections is taking place on most 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday's of the month during the school year, with the idea for women to enjoy a cup of coffee, join in conversation and pray with one another. We have now completed two years of Coffee & Connections, with plans to continue these wonderful events for the women of our church. Coffee & Connections has been well attended and well received, averaging around 10 to 15 women each event.

A vast majority of the year was spent planning the 2024 Fall Ladies Retreat along with a Retreat Committee. The 2024 Fall Ladies Retreat will take place on October 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at CBC. Highlights of the 2024 Retreat include hosting Heidi Lee Anderson as our Main Speaker, Six Breakout Sessions led by Shauna Letellier, Sharon Piatt, Carol Gengler, Carrie Trott, Sara Ogan & Dawn Nordquist, a Mentorship Panel featuring women from our CBC Women's Mentorship Program, live worship, and time for fellowship. As of October 9<sup>th</sup>, 71 women were registered to attend! Praise the Lord for His blessings!

The Women's Ministry Team looks forward to the new year and being able to provide outreach, fellowship, encouragement and learning opportunities for the women of our church. We pray that we can serve together in the reason and purpose of this ministry, for the Praise and Honor of our LORD and SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST.

Submitted for His Glory,

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