

How Joys and Sorrows information is connected to Pastoral Care / follow up

1. Some of the more major Joys and Concerns are noted in the monthly newsletter. The Caring Network chair passes on information to the proper member of the Caring Network for follow up.
2. Informal link - not systematic, so maybe some get overlooked
3. Connections are informal, may be minister, staff member, friend or neighbor who follows up.
4. We ask that they write J&C cards which go to a weekly Care meeting. We also have someone who scribes to make sure the unrecorded J&C are responded to. At the weekly meeting, we decide how to respond: card, call from trained Pastoral Listener or from a minister. We follow up on all J&C's, maintaining a data-base which lists who the Pastoral Listener has been for each member/friend.
5. cards, visits, food, phone calls
6. Often the minister, having heard service, will follow up individually for pastoral care.
7. There is follow-up with our caring network but I don't think this is formalized
8. We are 64 in number, minister and care ring persons informally make note as do members.
9. Only if I'm there and can remember what was said later.
10. Care Council keeps track of sharing
11. teh care committee follows up
12. minister and members of the caring committee make notes of needs for the caring committee to reach out to people as needed
13. at one point, the pianists (on the Caring Committee) copied names and Caring Committee followed up. Then this year we had the Prayer Circle and that was the connection but don't know what we'll do now
14. Not applicable
15. when needed, info given to minister (who is not full time)
16. info given to minister when minister not present
17. recorded and shared with Care Team
18. the Care Committee doesn't actually do a lot other than send cards and occasionally arrange meals and transportation.
19. congregation almost always responds with additional care to members -- cards, help, etc!
20. lay ministers follow up
21. the lay ministers e-mail all the joys and concerns to the minister and the caring committee.
22. there has been no fast form of response. Care committee follows up if needed
23. Follow up as necessary by professional staff and minister, plus volunteers and general congregation.
24. Believe minister pays attention to individual circumstances
25. sometimes it is a member of the Care Committee who speaks up about another member's needs
26. Lay ministers collect and share information, often following up with cards/calls/visits
27. not with great intention
28. Minister often (I believe on occasion) responds.
29. Recorded but shared only with a few, including the minister
30. I think informally many of us go up to that person or send cards etc. I think we could do a better job of linking comments up with the caring committee and pastor since she is only half time.
31. Congregational support person often lets congregation know about something going on with a particular member or family
32. Individual members of the congregation can express their care at coffee or at a later time. It builds

community.

33. there is a connection; people who share are often approached during the coffee hour after the service, receive cards and calls from the minister and other members following their sharing

34. minister takes note

35. I make note and follow up.