

Volunteer Spotlight

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Jill Vavricek

Lifetime Hours: 198.28

**Volunteer Area: Emergency Department Patient Ambassador
1 year and 4 months of service to volunteering!**

Why do you choose to volunteer at St. Luke's?

I'm incredibly grateful for all the blessings in my life, and I feel compelled to give back. We all experience difficult times in life - times when our health and/or happiness are in jeopardy. Volunteering at St. Luke's is a way of showing people that someone cares.

What do you find most rewarding about your volunteer assignment?

Nothing makes me happier than when I put a smile on someone's face! I'm even delighted when I get a sigh and a grateful "thank you." These are the things that bring me back week after week.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

I love books! Reading and writing are my two favorite hobbies.

What is your favorite TV show?

I really don't watch TV very much. If the TV is on, it's usually PBS kids shows (I have 4 children). My two favorite kid shows are "Word Girl" and "Odd Squad." On the rare occasion it's an adult show, it's typically the news or a rerun of "Law and Order." I also enjoy "Jimmy Kimmel Live," because he makes me laugh!

Favorite Quote:

Learn to love without condition. Talk without bad intention. Give without any reason. And most of all, care for people without any expectation. - Unknown

Jill has been a wonderful volunteer for us in the ED for the past year and a half. I think it is amazing that she finds time in her schedule of being a busy mother of 4 children to volunteer at the hospital. She has done such a great job as an ED Pt. Amb. that we quickly asked her to be a trainer of new volunteers to become ED Pt. Amb. And she does a great job of that too!

-Barbara Berns

