

Outreach Outlook

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

Outreach Mission Statement

*Guided by the Holy Spirit we seek **to recognize** the spiritual and other human needs of individuals and communities near and far and **to respond** in a manner that is biblically sound, culturally relevant, and builds relationships as we work together **to support** God's Mission.*

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

- Christmas Ingathering: October 17th – November 21
- Angel Network Food Collection: October 16th through November
- Shelter for the Savior: November 28th – January 23, 2022

* OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES *

Christmas Ingathering



The Lehigh Mission District is in high gear for the 2021 Ingathering Program. There are several changes to the program from previous years. ***Holy Spirit will be providing the “unwrapped” portion of gifts for the Sixth Street Shelter and the Refugee Resettlement Program.*** The following lists represents those items we have been asked to collect. There will be designated bins for each agency at the Canopy Entrance to the church starting October 17th. Please place your donations in the designated bin. ***We will collect until November 21st.***

The collection list for gifts for the children at Topton has been filled and completed. Please see below for instructions on gift value, wrapping, and collection. Thank you!

The following items have been requested by the Sixth Street Shelter and the Refugee Resettlement Program for this year's Ingathering collection.

Sixth Street Shelter

Cleaning Supplies

- Dish Soap
- Paper Towels
- Floor Cleaner
- Sponges
- Disinfectant Wipes

Household Items

- Toilet Paper
- Bath Towels (*NEW*)

Refugee Resettlement Program

- Tall Kitchen Trash Cans
- Bathroom Trash Cans
- Buckets
- Tall Kitchen Trash Bags
- Toilet Bowl Brushes
- Kitchen Sponges
- Shower Curtains
- Shower Curtain Rings
- Bed Pillows, Standard size, *NEW*
- Laundry Baskets
- Twin Sheet Sets, *NEW*
- Twin Blankets, *NEW*

Sixth Street Shelter (*Continued*)

Baby Items

Disposable Diapers, Sizes 2,4.5&6
Baby Wipes
Baby Shampoo
Children's Plastic Dishes and Cups

Personal Products

Women's Deodorant
Women's Shampoo

Donations can be left in the designated bins at the Canopy entrance of the church. Our collection will continue until November 21st.

Due to Covid-19, please purchase items, as much as possible, that are packaged together, in boxes, plastic wrap, plastic bags, etc., to lessen the contact by human hands to the products, thus protecting everyone from exposure to the virus.

Thank you for your generosity during this holiday season for those of our community who are in need.

GIFTS FOR CHILDREN AT THE LUTHERAN HOME AT TOPTON

The list for gift sign-ups for the children in the foster care program has been completed and filled. For those who have signed-up, please keep gifts to a value of \$20. Gifts should be placed in a seasonal gift bag – NO GIFT WRAP, please. Gifts can be placed in the designated bin at the Canopy entrance of the church from October 17th to November 21st. If you need to review your gift selection(s) follow this Sign-Up Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0548ABAD2DA5F49-2021>. If you have any questions, please contact Alice Mudge at 610-400-5349. Thank you for sharing the spirit of Christmas with these children.

ANGEL NETWORK

As in the past, Angel Network will be collecting food again this year to help our EHS students and their families. We are only going to give out one larger basket the first week of December, and we are planning to do this as a drive-by pick up. **We will be collecting laundry detergent, canned peas/green beans and canned corn beginning October 16th and continuing through November.** Please place your donation in the designated bin at the canopy entrance of the church. We are so grateful for this partnership and the help we receive year after year to make the baskets substantial and nutritious. It's a blessing for our families at a busy time of year and we'd like to thank you in advance for your generous hearts.



SHELTER FOR THE SAVIOR APPEAL

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed us to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives ...to let the oppressed go free... Luke 4:18-19

This appeal will run from November 28, 2021-January 23, 2022

Plaster House is a home where Tanzanian children with treatable disabilities such as burns from home cooking fires, club foot, cleft palate, and bent legs caused from skeletal fluorosis, can prepare for and recover from corrective surgery. The children can then return to full lives in their communities, free of their previous burdens. Plaster House can serve up to 160 children, with average stays of 3 months. Plaster House is one of many ministries envisioned and developed by ELCA missionaries Dr. Mark and Linda Jacobson and many partners. Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit has been helping to support the Jacobsons and Tanzanian ministries for over 30 years. www.theplasterhouse.org

To help you see how much impact your contribution can have:

\$4 supports one child for one day at The Plaster House

\$10 provides one special feeding bottle for the therapeutic feeding program

\$20 provides shoes/foot abduction brace for one child following clubfoot treatment

\$50 provides 10 locally made reusable diapers

\$100 provides one month of rehab and residential stay for one child

\$200 provides feeding program formula for one child for one month

\$500 provides the monthly salary for one therapy staffer

If you would like to support The Plaster House through our Shelter for the Savior appeal, you can send your check payable to Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, *noting Shelter for the Savior* on the check memo line. You may also give online to our congregation (lchsemmaus.org), **noting Shelter for the Savior** as the recipient for the donation. If you would like a packet sent to you, which includes a Christmas ornament and greeting card by which you may tell someone you made this gift in their honor, please email Nikki Clark at our church office at clark@holyspirit-emmaus.org. Packets will also be available at the church at the Shelter tree.

TURNING POINT BENEFIT AUCTION

Turning Point, which is one of our benevolence partners, supports those affected by domestic violence. One of their fund raisers is a virtual auction. It is held in March but all auction items need to be received no later than the second week of January so that they can be photographed and included in the auction catalog. Every donation makes a difference for survivors of domestic and intimate partner abuse and 100% of the proceeds go back into their empowerment programs and services.

Please take a look at their website and consider providing one of the auction baskets:

<https://www.turningpointlv.org/>

To donate an auction item, please visit: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c45a9ae2fa2ffc52-spring>

And/or join them for their Second Annual Virtual Spring Auction! This year's auction will open on Sunday, March 6, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. and close on Sunday, March 13, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

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