

## 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\*

- **Angel Network Collection, Month of October:** See details below
- **Global Missions Trip to Tanzania 2025; Information session in Room 117/119 on Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm:** Read additional information below
- **Sarah Rejman, Director of Plaster House, Tanzania: October 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:30am in the Fellowship Center.** Read additional information below.
- **Fall Fest Trunk or Treat, Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00-2:30pm:** See details below.
- **Christmas Ingathering Collection, Month of November:** Details coming in the November newsletter
- **Food Bank Garden:** Efforts continue to supply fresh produce to local food banks.

## \* OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES \*

### Angel Network

Did you know that Angel Network's December collection is a month earlier this year??

It's "**Christmas in October!**"

EHS Angel Network



We will still be collecting our regular items, just a month earlier. Those items are **laundry detergent, canned corn, and canned green beans or peas**. Angel Network can't express the gratitude we have for our partnership at Holy Spirit. We continue to be able to serve our EHS students and families because of the help we receive here at Holy Spirit, and within our community. It truly "takes a village", and we couldn't do it without all of you!

**Below are the items and number of each we are striving to collect.** Remember that we are hoping to collect the items for both the Christmas baskets, and as much as we can for the Easter baskets in this one collection.

#### **Corn 300**

#### **Green beans or peas 600**

These canned goods can be bought in cases and are much easier for you to transport, (and for us to store!). Here are the costs for buying a case at Weis Markets:

Weis brand Corn - \$9.24 for a case of twelve

Weis brand Green beans - \$9.24 for a case of twelve

Weis brand Peas- \$9.24 for a case of twelve

If you go to customer service and ask for one or more cases, they will bring the cases out to you and they will also honor the above sale price if you let them know you are purchasing them for EHS Angel Network. We have been provided a discounted price at Weis for the month of October, but please know you are free to shop at your favorite grocery.

### Laundry Detergent 300 - please note there is a change here.

In keeping with Holy Spirit becoming more “Green” and EHS Angel Network wanting to do their part, we are providing a link to Arm and Hammer laundry detergent sheets [here](#). Also another way to reduce our landfill plastic is to buy laundry pods that come in bags instead of the plastic jugs. **We realize some of you are "advance sale" shoppers, so we will still be happy to accept your donation of plastic bottles as well!**

Please accept the thanks of the EHS Angel Network for all that you do! Your generous hearts make a huge difference for our families who are working through a tough spot. Thank-you! Thank-you! Thank-you! Deb Walsh and the EHS Angel Network

## Fall Fest Trunk or Treat

**It's that time of year!** Holy Spirit's **Fall Fest and Trunk or Treat** will be held on Sunday, October 22nd from 1:00-2:30 PM.



The intergenerational event is a fun way for LCHS children, their families, and the community to safely enjoy the time of year. It is also a great opportunity to introduce families to our church. In addition to Trunk or Treat the Fall Fest will include music, crafts, games, s'mores, hot dogs and beverages. Our entire church family is invited to decorate car trunks and offer wrapped candies or items such as pencils and stickers to the children of Holy Spirit and our church neighborhood children.

Donations can be placed in the bin outside the Fellowship Center. If you are donating candy, please make sure it is *peanut free* due to allergies. If you are interested in sponsoring a trunk, the vehicle participation sign-up can be found on [Sign-Up Genius](#). The deadline for sponsoring a trunk is Sunday, **October 15<sup>th</sup>**.

For additional information and questions about Trunk sign-up please contact Karin Kahler at [Kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org](mailto:Kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org) ; Lorie Stout Sherman at [stouts2@ptd.net](mailto:stouts2@ptd.net) or Victor Schmidt at [vschmidt@ptd.net](mailto:vschmidt@ptd.net).



## Global Missions Trip to Tanzania 2025

**Want to explore God's world...in AFRICA? Join our Global Missions trip to Tanzania in 2025.**

Holy Spirit's Global Missions team is in the initial planning stage for a return trip to Tanzania in 2025. The purpose of the trip is to witness God's spirit at work in the Arusha area, particularly through our ELCA missionaries in that area, and also to offer the opportunity to experience the wonders of God's creation that are unique to eastern Africa. The trip will likely be scheduled for about two weeks in length, at a time convenient to those interested in joining our spirited travelers. Come learn more at the information session in Room 117/119 on **Wednesday 10/18 at 7pm**



*If interested in more information, please contact Dean Black, Rick or Ruth Doty, or Pr. Tami*

## The Plaster House Holy Spirit Helps with Healing Children

Outreach, through its Global Missions Team, is really pleased that Sarah Rejman, the Director of The Plaster House in Tanzania, will be visiting our church on **October 22<sup>nd</sup>**. During the Coffee, Tea, and Connect (CTC) time in the Fellowship Center that morning (9:30-10:15) she will be explaining the varieties of treatments and surgeries The Plaster House provides for children with correctible disabilities. She will describe how they have been able to do record numbers of treatments in recent years and hope to expand to treat even more children. You hopefully remember that Holy Spirit has had several fund-raisers for The Plaster House in recent years, helping them in their quest to send children back to their families and communities with new hope for better lives. On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, ask your questions about their successes and how we can help them achieve even more soon.



# \*OUTREACH ACTIVITIES SUMMARIES\*

**God's Work Our Hands** – On September 24<sup>th</sup> we came together to participate in God's Work Our Hands Sunday. We assembled 65 care packages for post-foster care students attending Penn State and Kutztown University. Faith Formation for Children assembled 100 snack bags for the Laundry on Linden ministry in Allentown. Our Rejoicers and children made greeting cards to be distributed to people in need. 55 quilts made by Stitch-n-Chat were blessed to be donated to folks in need of some warmth and compassion. Our bike drop yielded 26 bikes for the Bike Works program for youth. A FABULOUS DAY OF SERVICE!

Thank you for your generosity, your support, your participation, and servant hearts! God's grace enabled our congregation to collect all the needed items and assemble, make, and distribute the fruits of God working through us to serve our neighbors. God's Work Our Hands enables us to touch the lives of hundreds of people throughout the world. God's work shines magnificently THROUGH YOU! Thank you!



We collected 26 bikes for Community Bike Works and blessed the quilts that Stitch-n-Chat made.





## Food Bank Garden



Frank Egner, Carole Wetherhold, and Wilma Stewart had another successful harvest during the month of September. Deliveries to the Grace Lutheran Church Food Cupboard included squash, eggplant, kale, and green peppers. The 2023 harvest has been consistently abundant and the recipients of the harvest have been very thankful!



If you'd like to help Frank, Carole, and Wilma with the garden, please contact them directly or John Mosovsky at 484-264-6151, [vistafarm@ptd.net](mailto:vistafarm@ptd.net)

## Outreach Mission Team Action Groups and Leaders

If you would like to join an Action Group, please contact an Action Group Leader. If you have any outreach questions, ideas, or would like to include an outreach service opportunity in the newsletter please contact John Mosovsky - Outreach Mission Team Convener at [vistafarm@ptd.net](mailto:vistafarm@ptd.net) OR Pastor Tami at [prreichley@holyspirit-emmaus.org](mailto:prreichley@holyspirit-emmaus.org)

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