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EPISCOPAL CHURCH
A Church with Heart in the Heart of the City

Help Crossover Outreach This Year

Thanksgiving, Crossover Outreach serves 100 families and 20 senior citizens that needs adults with a Thanksgiving dinner box. This provides the food need rate with family and friends and to give thanks.

Share the love of the holiday season by donating the items that will complete the traditional Thanksgiving provided by the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. Items include: canned cranberries, powdered or canned gravy, canned sweet potatoes, canned green beans, canned corn tuffing mix.



Bring your Thanksgiving food donations to St. Paul's on the next three Sundays
October 23, October 30, and November 6



St. Paul's Outreach Ministry Report for 2022

The Outreach Committee had a fantastic year of community building. We have been blessed with support from parishioners and our community partners, such as Crossover Outreach and Family Promise.

We supported and collaborated on several projects with Crossover Outreach, a nonprofit organization in Flint, that St. Paul's helped found with other local downtown congregations. St. Paul's Outreach Committee, joining the other downtown congregations, initiated food drives for Easter and Thanksgiving to serve the needs of Crossover families. The Easter collection included candy and items to fill Easter baskets for the children. Approximately 300 people, including the children, were served by Crossover, with each child receiving an Easter basket. Crossover provided 100 families with the items for a complete Easter meal.

The Thanksgiving food drive initiated by Outreach provided specific canned food items for the Thanksgiving dinner boxes that Crossover created for each of the 100 families they served. In addition, St. Paul's donated the remaining food items in the church pantry to Crossover Outreach since we no longer have a food pantry.

St. Paul's parishioners responded to the call from the Outreach Committee to sponsor scholarships for youth campers to attend Camp Chickagami, known as Camp Chick, the Episcopal Summer Camp located at Presque Isle. We provided scholarship funds toward outfitting each camper with the necessary clothing and gear needed for a week of summer camp, plus St. Paul's paid for the bus rental for roundtrip transportation to Camp Chick for two, one-week camp sessions giving 40 youth campers a summer camp experience. Thanks to all the parishioners who supported this!

Family Promise, another non-profit supported by St. Paul's and other congregations, is a Nation-wide organization providing resources to help homeless families. We work with Family Promise of Genesee County. Normally, St. Paul's houses homeless families in our building for four, one-week sessions, when we also provide their meals. St. Jude's in Fenton and St. Dunstan's in Davison support our efforts by supplying volunteers to stay overnight and to provide meals. This program was shut down in 2022 due to Covid. It is expected to start up again in 2023. In 2022, we sponsored a training session for parishioners and volunteers to become certified to work with the families. We also supported a request from Family Promise to assist a veteran and his family with a rental payment and vehicle repairs. Our Outreach was able to have a positive impact by supporting this family on their journey for stability and independence.

In 2023, St. Paul's Outreach has an exciting opportunity to work with Family Promise in new housing possibilities, including a mobile unit, as well as housing families in our building. We need more volunteers for 2023! If you are interested in joining us, please see Karen Schaefer or Barbara Mannor or anyone on the Outreach Committee.

Outreach volunteers helped with the Blessing of the Animals service and coffee hour to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. We invited a representative of the Humane Society of Genesee County to attend the service and answer pet adoption questions. Outreach sponsored a pet cage at the Humane Society to honor parishioners, Dr. John Snell

(retired veterinarian) and his wife, Mary Snell, who were long-time members of the Outreach Committee. A special plaque with their names was placed on the cage to support the feeding and sheltering of one animal for 365 days. This cage is available to Family Promise families when they are homeless.

Our Outreach continues to support St. Andrews Episcopal in Flint with monetary support. In 2022 we gave \$36,000 in Outreach funds to St. Andrews. (Over the years we have contributed over \$500,000 to St. Andrews.) We have supported their mission and programs on the East Side of Flint for many years, including providing volunteers on the 5th Saturday of every month to help with their lunch program.

A special Outreach initiative that is dear to the hearts of many St. Paul's parishioners is the Angel Tree, a gift-giving tree for children that is displayed in the parlor for several weeks during the Christmas holiday season. Everyone in the congregation was invited to a tree decorating party to create the angel ornaments with each child's first name and gift suggestions. Parishioners chose an ornament and purchased a gift for that child, wrapped it, and brought it to the church for delivery to Crossover Outreach. We collaborated with Crossover to provide gifts for 20 children, a clothing item and a toy for each child.

Outreach supported St. Paul's 150th Anniversary projects with other parishioners while wearing turquoise St. Paul's t-shirts and serving ice cream and hotdogs on the front lawn. Outreach funds were also designated for the 150th Anniversary projects, which included the celebrations on All Saints at Glenwood Cemetery.

This year we worked on developing strategies to improve communications of our projects for parishioners and the community. This included social media postings, placing images of projects in our minutes and decorating our Outreach Christmas Tree on display in the church parlor with photographs of the projects completed during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Moon Schaefer, Outreach Committee Chair

Members:

Carole Davis	Barbara Mannor	Karen Moon Schaefer
Mike Farver	Jo Miska	Betty Anne Taylor
Heather Gagnon	Myron Manygoats	David Taylor
Maggie Hart - Treasurer	Lanie Nix	
Celeste Lord	Edythe Peake	

The Outreach Committee meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
All are welcome!

Annual Report January, 2023

Here is where St. Paul's Outreach funds went in 2022:

St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Flint	\$36,000.00
Crossover Downtown Ministry	\$10,800.00 **
Annual Donation	\$4,000
Bus to Camp Chick	\$6,800
Humane Society	\$365.00
ArtWalk	\$4,322.00
Rector's Discretionary	\$3,500.00
Tuesday Lunch	\$6,191.00
150 th Celebration	\$4,652.00
Diversity	\$354.00
Joe Kennedy, Seminary Student	\$5,343.00
Family Promise (Veteran)	\$500.00
Pastoral Care	\$2,215.00
Camp Scholarship, St. Paul's	\$320.00
<i>Total Outreach Funds spent 2022</i>	<i>\$74,562.00</i>

**In addition to the amounts noted above, Funds originally raised by St. Paul's for CEC and administered by Community First to support an additional approximately \$30,000 per year from those funds is distributed to Community First to support