

**TRINITY COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE MINUTES ---2/15/2022 (7 p.m.)**  
Room 122

**Attendees:** Pastor Liz Frey, Mitzi Jones, Linda Drye (recorder), Lynn Bertram, Holly Frymoyer, Brad Hollinger, Joe Hunter; Kim Hoover and Kathy Gottlieb **excused**

Those on iPhone (Zoom issues at church) Cheryl Akers, Carol Crowe, Maggie Ackerman, Margie Fox.

Pastor Liz opened with prayer. There were technical issues with those at home joining meeting.

**Business:**

\*Announcement Lenten boxes recipient will be CCU.

\*Open positions on committee --Criminal Justice due to death of Charles Reddinger; also Cheryl Akers is moving out of area leaving Camp Curtain YMCA also an open position.

\*Pastor explained about a Mission Committee (Mary Ellen Hettinger) & Community Outreach calendar combined events planning.

\* Collection Closet--organization needed. Planning for regular donations versus seasonal/special collections. Discussion on egg cartons, eye glass collections (Lions club which is now under New Hope), knitting and sewing donations, empty prescription bottles and then school collections. **LIST for the door** to inform congregation on what, when and hopefully labeled places to put donations also discussed.

**Designated Funds:** \$3,263.55

**Ministry Updates:**

- Christ Lutheran Medical Clinic: Margie had #4 request: (1) Honey which is used for medicinal wounds and in tea for colds, (2) empty Rx bottles; (3) cough meds (OTC for use by diabetics); (4) mittens & gloves children and adults and long underwear is needed medium to extra large.

- Camp Curtain YMCA: Cheryl reports basketball and homework help right now. Cornerstone project of building a home adjacent to YMCA kind of Habitat for Humanity type project for a needed family. They received \$225 gift cards from Giving Tree at Trinity 2021.
- Domestic DVSCP: Linda Reports donations from Community Aide of \$25,000 grant 1/5/2022 to end of March 2022. Their holiday wreath sales raised \$2,500. They continue to do education West Perry High School Health Class #6 classes, #196 students. Trinity Giving Tree in 2021 collected \$575 in gift cards.
- CROSS: Has not met during COVID. They are now in need of houseparent (sent letter & requirements for position to church).
- New Hope: Brad told us about their Food Pantry & their self-sufficient learning opportunity (classes). Mentioned their annual Back to School backpacks; Thanksgiving baskets & Christmas blessing projects. The Earl Besch foundation is now under their umbrella. Inquired about how to publicize their events at Trinity.
- Tutoring: Holly spoke on 12/14/2021 were able to have party for kids (#5 tutors) at 2 schools. July Giving Tree was #13 cards total \$225. They also shopped for jackets, scarves & hats and then shoes for the needy students from \$500 given by our ministry. Tutoring moving forward questionable for 2022 hopeful for Sept 2022 ? but keeping in mind most tutors (retired and age) influence their participation.
- CCU: Joe educated us on Charity Navigator website to see ratings of nonprofits stating CCU, New Hope and Bethesda have excellent to very high ratings. He cites a request by MaryAnn Landis for façade financial help for exterior of building at Bethesda Mission. Winter Shelter received \$705 from Giving Tree at Trinity 2021.
- Ecumenical Food Pantry: Lynn reports numbers up; #1,200 a month are assisted. They have a good volunteer group, can always use more. They just completed their 2-year strategic planning. Events for their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are planned for Sept 2022. Golf tournament 5/16/2022 she is looking for a silver sponsorship \$500 from committee. Lynn puts in average of 25 hours a week at pantry as now food coordinator.
- POH: Maggie reported they helped #235 cancer patients in 2021. Brian, the founder of PHOH has moved to Florida and Deb Donadee is the new Executive Director, who has new enthusiasm and ideas. They helped #18 cancer patients with Gifts of Hope at Christmas with gifts. They adopted #3 patients and gave \$1,000 to help with their medical bills. They received \$825 gift cards from Giving Tree at Trinity.
- Sewing: Carol reported in 2/3/2022 email #6 quilts completed, #8 to be tied, #4 in process and #5 kits for tops; #3 are being sewn.

Budget for our Ministry was approved by Trinity council. Requests from Christ Lutheran Medical of \$500; Food Pantry Silver sponsorship for golf tournament \$500-----**Margie made motion and Holly seconded** Unanimous agreement for these requests. Discussion to table request for façade for Bethesda for now.

Balance of Funds: \$2,263.55

Pastor Liz spoke on **Strategic Plan Goals** for Mission Moments and more engagement for congregation education. Developing a calendar for speaking. She wants information on number of volunteers in ministry, hours of time spent volunteering for better measuring of impact in community. Yearly Missions & Community Outreach Fair for Sept 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. with Lord's Prayer. **Next meeting 5/17/2022.**