

Community Outreach Ministries  
August 9, 2023  
Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Pastor Liz, Mitzi Jones (Chair), Lynn Bertram, Margy Fox, Kim Hoover, Joe Hunter, Martha Herold, Brad Hollinger, Holly Frymoyer, Maggie Ackerman

**Excused absence** – Carol Crowe, Kathy Gottlieb, Linda Drye, Tom Drye

## Prayer

**Approval of Minutes – May 2023 – motion passed.**

## Chair - Reminders

- Volunteer hours
- Garden of Eatin' signups
- Take pictures, and collect stories about serving with our partners
- Ministry requests for Trinity's help
  1. Margy and Kim met with Pastor Matthew Best. provided an update on Christ Lutheran Church Medical Clinic. There is a sewer issue that closed the clinic. Discussion on designated funds and tabled for later in the meeting.
  2. Holly introduced Martha Herold as a Tutor program trainee to replace Holly in one year. Tutors are planning to start up in September.
  3. Maggie gave an update on Pink Hands of Hope. There are more than 60 volunteers.

## **Refugee Project Update – Missions/Community Outreach Joint Meeting on September 6 at Trinity at 7 pm.**

At the May meeting, Laura Butcher discussed the need for assistance for refugees in central PA.

UPDATE: One option is to work with Diakon which has a federal grant to work with young children. Pastor Liz said it aligns with the mission at Tree4Hope. Jason Bacon is the contact.

The second option is looking at ESL(English as Second Language). The ESL classes are important for refugees. There are no classes offered on the west shore. Messiah University can teach best practices.

Health2Home in New Cumberland collects home furniture and goods. New Digs is another organization. Sponsoring a family requires a big commitment of resources and people.

## **July Giving Tree Results - \$2,610**

-----Tutors \$875, Men's Shelter \$785, Pink Hands \$950

## **Designated Funds \$7,774.28**

### **NEEDS:**

Christ Lutheran Medical Clinic - \$30,000 sewer repairs

Bethesda Mission - \$575,000 community center

Refuge project – stash some money away for future needs

Domestic Violence Women's Shelter – meals delivered.

The motion by Brad is to approve \$2000 for CLC Medical Clinic and \$2000 for Bethesda Mission. Motion seconded by Holly. The motion passed unanimously. The remaining designated fund is being kept in reserve for refugee projects and women's shelter pending further information.

### **Prayer**

### **Next COM Meeting: October 11**

Meeting minutes submitted by Kim Hoover