

**Community Outreach Ministry Zoom Meeting**  
February 12, 2025 6 p.m.

Attendance: Pastor Frey, Kim Hoover (chair), Linda Drye (recorder), Maggie Ackerman, Lynn Bertram, Carol Crowe, Margy Fox, Kathy Gottlieb, Martha Herold, Joe Hunter  
Excused absence: Brad Hollinger

Opening prayer by Kim Hoover.

Approval of October 9, 2024, minutes with note of Carol Crowe typo left off her (e). Kathy Gottlieb motioned to approve, and Joe Hunter seconded. Motion carried.

**Review of Giving Tree:** Brad Hollinger reported by email that over \$1,000 in gift cards for New Hope Christmas Blessing was received; Margy Fox reported very generous gifts of medical & personal care items of #270 that were delivered to Christ Lutheran Medical Clinic. Pastor Liz reported ELL was also generously gifted with funds for workbooks.

**2025 Budget Update:** All proposed budget amounts were approved by Finance Committee. The Dillsburg location has been added at \$2,000. (see minutes from October for each ministry amount). A survey is being done for the needs of the community in Dillsburg.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Lenten Funds designation: There was a discussion about our committee matching donation along with the Missions Committee. Carol Crowe brought up International Services Center in Harrisburg at Market Square Presbyterian. It was agreed we must learn more about this ministry before giving since would be a new one outside our current ministries. Topic of discussion on food prices soaring and Lynn Bertram reporting on Harrisburg Area Food Pantry had 1,000 walk-ins since January 1, 2025, and served 4,400 in the last 6 months. Discussion on the purchasing power of the food bank and focus of dollars going further than individual food drives. Joe Hunter motioned, and Kathy Gottlieb seconded and all unanimous for Lenten funds to go to **Harrisburg Area Food Pantry**. Motion carried.

**Designated Fund Balance:** \$11,467.55 (late 2024 had contribution). When committee was asked about needs, food prices again were raised as an ongoing need. Kathy Gottlieb motioned we give to CCU, New Hope & Bethesda ----Joe Hunter suggested giving \$1,000 to each ministry, for a total of \$3,000. Maggie Ackerman seconded, and it was unanimous. Motion carried. It was agreed to keep a reserve to cover future needs for ELL and Lenten matching donation. **Ending balance:** \$8,467.55.

**TEAM REPORTS:** Carol Crowe: **Sewing:** good progress this year. We have 12 bed size quilts completed and in the closet. We also have 31 flannel baby covers/ blankets from the donation of hand sewn flannel squares and larger pieces of flannel that we used for the backs. We have three kits and 6 tops waiting to be layered, 3 sandwiches waiting to be sewn and 3 sandwiches waiting to be tied. February 18th our meeting will be a long day, 9 till 3.

Kathy Gottlieb: **St Patrick breakfast;** #5 went on 2/8/2025; fed #132 and all went well. She worked with Pastor Liz for team of volunteers.

Martha Herold: Tutoring: Currently having a book drive. Goal to give each child #2 books to distribute in May (they give more if available).

Maggie Ackerman: POH: They are doing well having lots of community support for fundraising. One church walked in to volunteer to help clean the store.

Kim Hoover: **ELL** spring session: Walk-in registration begins 3/12/2025 and classes begin 3/19/2025.

Margy Fox: **Christ Lutheran Medical Clinic:** Looking for a new volunteer for this ministry.

Linda Drye: **Domestic Violence:** Preparing and delivering lunch with dessert to Carlisle shelter on 2/25/2025 for their residents & support group.

**CROSS:** Kathy Smeal (new and not in attendance), Linda & Tom Drye were at Game Nite 12/13/2025 with #6 from Trinity and the residents of the group home for games and treats.

Joe Hunter: **Men's Winter Shelter:** Joe reports had tough time recruiting for this. He is requesting a younger member of Trinity step up to take this over. The commitment is from 7-10 pm only during the weekdays for one week in January each year (other churches fill in other weeks).

Joe Hunter: CCU: **Trinity** is hosting Spring Assembly luncheon in May (#110-150) on a Monday evening; will need assistance from our committee to help prepare and serve and clean up.

Motion made by Carol Crowe to adjourn and seconded by Lynn Bertram.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

The Lord's Prayer was recited by all.

**Next meeting will be held on May 14, 2025 at 6:30pm.**