

Annual Mission Activities

Alzheimer's Walk— October

As a congregation we have participated in the Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's. The walk takes place on an October Saturday at Shollenberger Park. The FPC Friends of Michael, in honor of a member we lost to Alzheimer's seeks to keep the memory of Michael and all who we have lost to this disease. Look for information on how to participate in the Fall.

CHOCOLATE, COFFEE SALES

Throughout the year the Commission sells fair trade chocolates coffees, gift wrapped for special occasion. Funds from these sales are distributed to local organizations.

Mission Commission meets on the first Tuesday each month at 3:00pm in the Fireside Room - all are welcome.

PCUSA Offerings

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

Recipients include *Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, & Self-Development of People.*

CHRISTMAS JOY

A gift to the Christmas Joy Offering helps provide financial assistance to current and former church workers and their families and also enables deserving students to attend Presbyterian-related racial ethnic colleges and schools.

Recipients include *the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions & Racial Ethnic Leadership Development*

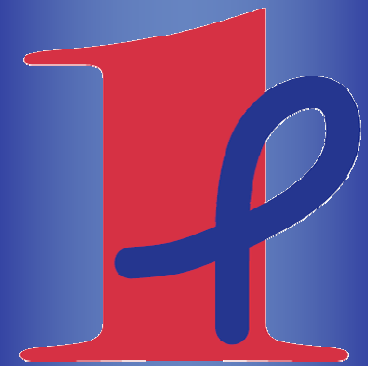
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Mission Commission



**First
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Mission Focus

Informing and involving the congregation in Mission activities

Feeding the hungry in our community



CENTS-ABILITY

On the third Sunday of each month, we ask members to bring the change they have collected for this program. In addition, any loose currency collected on that Sunday (up to \$50) is designated for the Cents-ability program. Formerly called Two Cents a Meal, funds collected are used by the Presbytery's Hunger Task Force supporting Food Pantries within the Presbytery. Grants enable the Pantries to provide nutritious food for those who are in need of assistance.

You can bring your change each week and put it in the jar in the narthex or contribute loose change or currency in the weekly offering on the third Sunday of the month.

FOOD PANTRY

On the third Saturday of the month, a team of FPCers work at the Food Pantry at United Church of Christ. Starting early in the morning the team pack items delivered from the Redwood Empire Food Bank into bags for families in need of food assistance. This assistance is free and no-questions asked.

SUMMER GARDEN

During the summer before and after worship, a table with fresh vegetables grown in our small garden plus items contributed by members are available. There is no charge for the produce but donations are accepted. All proceeds from the Summer Garden Table are given to the Committee on the Shelterless (COTS) to assist in their programs of feeding the shelterless.

Congregational Volunteers

Welcome

Ways to Serve - 365 Days

WAYS TO SERVE

365 DAYS A YEAR

COTS - Serve to help the homeless move on to a new life.

- Drivers for client appt, food boxes
- Petaluma Kitchen help
- Accounting

VOLUNTEERS@COTS-HOMELESS.ORG

Petaluma People Services - serving seniors and more

- Iride - help seniors to medical appt
- Music for Senior Adult Care
- Senior Center Café - cook and serve lunch
- Meals on Wheels

PETALUMAPEOPLE.ORG

Petaluma Bounty - Serve by feeding the hungry and beyond

- Bounty Hunters
- Bounty Community Farm
- Petaluma Loves Active Youth (PLAY)
- Produce Prescription and Bounty Farmacy

PETALUMABOUNTY.ORG

Mentor Me Petaluma - Serving Youth in Petaluma

- Become a mentor and make a difference in a child's life

MENTORMEPETALUMA.ORG