

2023

Diaper and Food Drives

The months of **January** and **February** brought in 1523 baby diapers, and 537 adult diapers. For a grand total of 2060. This was more than previous years!

We were challenged for SOUPerbowl Sunday to bring in items for our local food pantry and the total amount was 97 pounds!



February 2023



97 POUNDS!

April 2023

T- Shirt Fundraiser. Over \$650.00 was raised and now we have a nice way to represent our church at community events! The first one was the Readington Memorial Day parade.



June 2023



We reached out to the community and many bags were filled with clothing that we turned into cash and donated \$289.00 to our local food pantry, Starfish. We also had some bins of food to drop off as well for the summer months.



July 2023

Men's and Women's incontinence products were collected and donated to Readington's Social Services to people in need. We also did a food drive at the local supermarket, Bishops where we were overwhelmed with the donations. We shared the proceeds of the pantry donations and the over \$800.00 in cash with Starfish and Loaves of Love food pantry located at Round Valley UMC.



August 2023

The Communion offering this month brought in many school supplies as these backpacks pictured were filled with notebooks, binders, and other needed necessities.



September 2023

There was a good collection of hygiene products from September that was dropped off at Readington's Social Services. The end of September's Yard Sale was a huge success!! Not only did it bring in extra funds for our church, but the outreach to the community was so uplifting. We had many people that were appreciative of the clothing give away.



October 2023

The October communion offering of gift cards totalling \$200.00 for supermarkets was much appreciated by Family Promise. We also sent care packages sent to our college students that

were also well received and heartwarming. Besides snacks, there was a caring message sent to let them know we are thinking of them.



November 2023

In November we donated gifts to Readington Social Services. This is the Angel Tree tag program that we have participated in for years. On top of twenty recipients, we received gift cards, extra gifts, and wrapping paper! There was also a food drop off for Thanksgiving, but we forgot to get a picture.

However, we filled up the large bin, so there was a good amount of donations!



2024

January and February 2024

Another successful start to the year with diaper donations and incontinence products for adults. Over 1400diapers were collected! We also asked for gift cards or monetary donations for Meals on Wheels for February's communion offering.

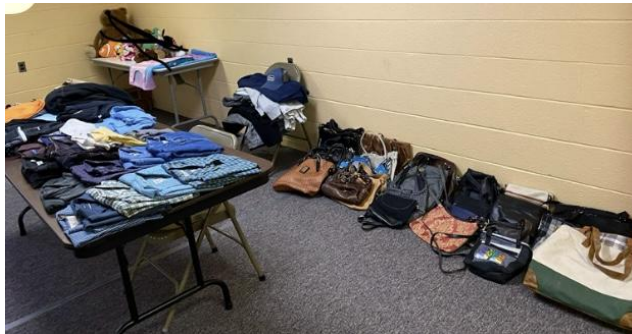


We also held a food drive at our local supermarket, Bishops. There were many car loads of items collected, as well as monetary donations. These donations went to Starfish as well as Loaves of Love food pantries. The local Girl Scout troop also helped us with this food drive.



March 2024

With the success of the clothing give away in the fall, we decided to hold one again in the spring during the community Easter egg hunt. There were over twenty nice coats given away, plus beautiful dresses and suits, as well as everyday clothing like jeans and sweatshirts as well as shoes and purses. Some people also paid it forward and donated to the church, collecting \$170.00 from jewelry as well as the clothing donations. Hygiene products were also collected for Readington Social Services as a communion offering in March.





April 2024

Communion offering of cleaning products for Family Promise

May 2024 Underwear and socks

June 2024 communion offering - Pastor's discretionary fund.

July 2024

Some members of our congregation volunteered at one of the local churches in our ecumenical community. Food packages were put together and there were also gifts to purchase that were made by hand in Africa where some of these food packages will be sent to.



August 2024



August's communion offering brought in a huge box of backpacks, notebooks and other school supplies for Readington Social Services.

September 2024

In September, we held another food drive at Bishops Supermarket and collected large amounts of toilet paper, paper towels, and laundry detergent as well as food pantry items. Monetary donations were over \$250.00. The paper products and laundry items were especially in need at



this time and we had a great response from the community. The proceeds were split with Starfish and Loaves of Love food pantries.



There was also another clothing give away during our annual East Whitehouse yard sale. September's monetary communion offering of close to \$300.00

October 2024

The October communion offering raised \$1400.00 and was donated to UMCOR for relief in North Carolina from Hurricane Helene \$1400.00

We also put together gift boxes for Operation Christmas Child. These shoeboxes were decorated by our local Girl Scout troop and filled with toys and school supplies as well as some hygiene products for children in less privileged areas. Samaritan's Purse is the charity behind this mission.





November 2024

In November members of the congregation bought gifts for over 20 members of our community as part of our Angel Tag program with Readington Social Services. There was also many food pantry items donated to Starfish.

December 2024

December's Communion offering of \$ 55.00 was donated to Meals on Wheels of Hunterdon County.