## St. Bede's Episcopal Church – Forest Grove, Oregon

Assistance Information & Self-Screening Questions

## Some examples of needs we have helped meet are:

- Rent (for those with an eviction notice)
- Utilities (for those with a shut-off notice)
- Gas
- ❖ Food
- Temporary shelter
- Clothing and household items
- Other expenses at our discretion

Please note that it may take us **up to two weeks** to review and approve assistance applications.

We do not offer assistance in the form of money given to those requesting assistance. We will pay for the items or services requested directly.

Below you will find a few questions that may help determine whether we can offer assistance. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to offer assistance even if you meet our criteria, depending on each situation and the funds that we have available.

- ❖ Have we assisted you within the past two years? We are able to offer assistance to individuals and families once every two years.
- For recurring bills such as rent and utilities: Do you have an eviction or shut-off notice? We may be able to offer assistance for recurring bills at our discretion if you have proof of imminent cessation of your service.

If you meet our initial screening guidelines, we will then ask you to come in and fill out an assistance application. Please bring any necessary documentation, such as bills and eviction/shut-off/discontinuation notices for us to make a copy.

Once you have filled out an application, we will contact you **within two weeks** to let you know whether your application has been approved and coordinate payment.