

Full Circle November Minutes
November 4th, 2017, 9:00 a.m.
New Community Shelter

Attendance: Sandy Lindstrom, Sandy Nordman, Mary Pasch, Nancy Schwenke, Renee Stieg, Sue Suring, and Linda Will

Opening Prayer: Linda

Devotion - Sue shared an article called "Amazing Grace" which gave the history of the person who wrote the hymn after turning his life around by turning to God for help.

Caring Card Ministry: Renee wrote and sent out 26 cards last month. We discussed the possibility of having the kids at church design and make cards. There was a question, however, of the need for envelopes to fit those cards.

Full Circle Facebook Info./Additions: We were reminded to look at the webpage and like us on Facebook as well as letting Michele know of any additions.

Sewing for Smiles: Sue said we have another box of dresses all finished, after sending our last batch to Haiti. She also made up some dress kits for future sewers. On Nov. 8 Mary and Sue will meet with a group of Confirmation kids to cut and sew bags.

September Grocery Challenge: We were very pleased that it was a great success. Sandy Nordman and Debbie divided up the food for the Pulaski Pantry (delivered by Bud Lemmen) and The Giving Tree (who came and picked it up at Peace).

October/November Outreach: We collected 70 coats for kids and several pairs of snow pants. Debbie and Sue packed them up and delivered them to the Salvation Army for distribution on Nov. 11 at the Kroc Center. They also signed up to work a shift.

November/December Outreach: We decided to meet at church on Sunday (Nov. 5) to decorate the Giving Tree and update the lists of suggested gifts. There will be a pile of 75 lists next to the tree for people to take with them.

January Outreach: We set Jan. 6 as our next Sewing/Card-making Session at Peace following our monthly meeting. We also talked about our "Feed the Snowman" theme for our next grocery challenge.

NEW Community Outreach: We had a team of workers (Sandy Lindstrom, Sandy Nordman, Mary Pasch, Nancy Schwenke, Sue Suring, Renee Stieg and Linda Will) to make chili on Saturday, Nov. 4. We served 175 people. Thank you To Nancy Schwenke for donating the meat, cheese, and carrots!

New business: A suggestion was brought up by Nancy that we consider helping the NEW Community Shelter with more food donations, since they feel they are not getting as much as in the past. We discussed the possibility of having a small table in the gathering space like we did for the chili ingredients. We can talk about it more at our next meeting. Sandy N. and Linda will find out more about the Reach program and if Peace is involved, at the next Council meeting on Nov. 14.

Next Meeting: December 2 at New Perspectives Senior Living in Howard.