

Stewardship Article for March 2018 Newsletter

Our major focus over the next few weeks will be LCOC's Rise Against Hunger meal packing event on March 10th starting at 9:00 a.m. As of this writing we are at about 67% of our fundraising goal to make it possible to pack 30,000 meals. Please continue to **share the following link** with all your friends and social networks: <https://shn.secure.force.com/events/homepage?id=701f1000001kZmhAAE> so that they can donate to LCOC's Rise Against Hunger event; and of course **join us on March 10th** for the actual meal packing beginning at 9:00 a.m. **Volunteers do need to log in through the link above. Doing so in advance will save time on the day of the meal packing.** If you have not done this before, you will be amazed by the fun shared by everyone pitching in assembly line to make this happen! Check out the You Tube video of the last Rise Against Hunger event held at LCOC at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pK5XlbMX2z8>

Financial commitment cards and gifts and talents sheets: if you have already turned yours in-thank you! If not, please do so ASAP. These are very important tools for planning not only the budget, but also for building teams to carry out ministry opportunities. Each of you is an important part of this.

We are looking forward to being part of all the Lenten activities, events to fund opportunities for our youth such as the Italian dinner, as well as the ever-popular Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and the sharing of God's love with neighborhood children in Family Faith and Fun Nights (four Thursday evenings starting mid-July in lieu of the usual week of Vacation Bible School). More details will be coming on all of those ministries and they are all occasions when we can do God's Work with Our Hands.

As you are out shopping, **please consider purchasing a few extra items to help us continue to support ACTS and Neabsco Elementary with food items that truly make a difference** in the lives of many families. Lists of needed items and bags are always available in the narthex.

Please continue to share your gifts and talents as the Spirit leads in the variety of ministries provided through LCOC. Thank you also for your generosity in your financial commitment and consider using the Vanco option which can be accessed online at: <https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco> if you haven't already done so. Please consider becoming a Thrivent member as well and if you already are a member and use Thrivent products, make use of the Action Team funds that are available to help fund LCOC's ministry projects. This seed money really makes a difference and helps us increase the scope of our service projects.

A word of inspiration:

So, let us continue to grow our caring and gracious hospitality.

Love and blessings,

Patti Beattie

