



First Presbyterian Anchorage

- S** eek God's Vision
- E** mulate Christ's Compassion
- R** econcile the Community of Faith
- V** oice for the Unheard
- E** mpower People to be Sent Forth

Monthly, Second Tuesday 6pm-7pm via zoom

Service and Engagement Committee

- ◆ Provide opportunities for everyone to participate in service activities.
- ◆ Prioritize activities in alignment with our overall church goal to SERVE.
- ◆ Promote awareness through Moment for Missions, bulletin announcements, church wide emails, and sign-up opportunities.
- ◆ We seek God's vision to facilitate opportunities to empower all at First Presbyterian to participate in service activities through gifts of time, donations, and transforming our understanding of global and community needs.

Contact Lorissa Jackson if you are interested in joining the Service and Engagement Committee.

Ongoing

Matthew 25

- ◆ "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes, and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." Matthew 25:35-36
- ◆ A PC(USA) initiative designed to build cultural vitality as we grow in understanding and consider ways to respond to issues such as structural racism, eradicating systemic poverty, and the intersectional priorities of climate change, gender justice, and militarism.

Contact Lorissa Jackson if you are interested in a particular initiative, or have ideas for book studies, guest speakers, or ways we can participate in community events.



October - April

Emergency Cold Weather Shelter (ECWS)

- ◆ The ECWS provides clean, stable, safe shelter for families in need.
- ◆ First Presbyterian is responsible for providing volunteer staff Mondays at 5 pm - Tuesdays 9:00 am, as well as the Monday evening meal and Tuesday breakfast.
- ◆ Look for a sign-up link in the bulletin and meal sign-up sheets in the foyer soon.
- ◆ Many hands make light work – there are many options for small commitments to support the ongoing work – If you want to help, but feel unsure about how, please talk to one of the coordinators.

Danna Larson, Marcus Geist, and Lorissa Jackson serve as coordinators.

One Wednesday Per Month

Food Bank of Alaska

- ◆ Senior Box Build
- ◆ Monthly, one Wednesday of each month from 9am-Noon.
- ◆ Work in assembly line to fill boxes for distribution to seniors across the state.

Organized by Richard Jackson.

FOOD BANK
of ALASKA



Rice And Pasta Collection Is 4th Sunday Of Each Month

F.I.S.H, Friends in Serving Humanity

- ◆ Collect 100 pounds of pasta each month.
- ◆ During Godly Play, Children bag 100 pounds of rice on the fourth Sunday of each month.
- ◆ Adults may participate in bagging pasta following the worship service.
- ◆ Adults may serve as callers to contact families prior to home food deliveries or sign-up to deliver food boxes to homes

Contact Katherine Osborne-Hightower for more information



January

Epiphany Baby Shower for Jesus

- ◆ Celebrate Epiphany together
- ◆ Baby item donations go to Covenant House Passage Home

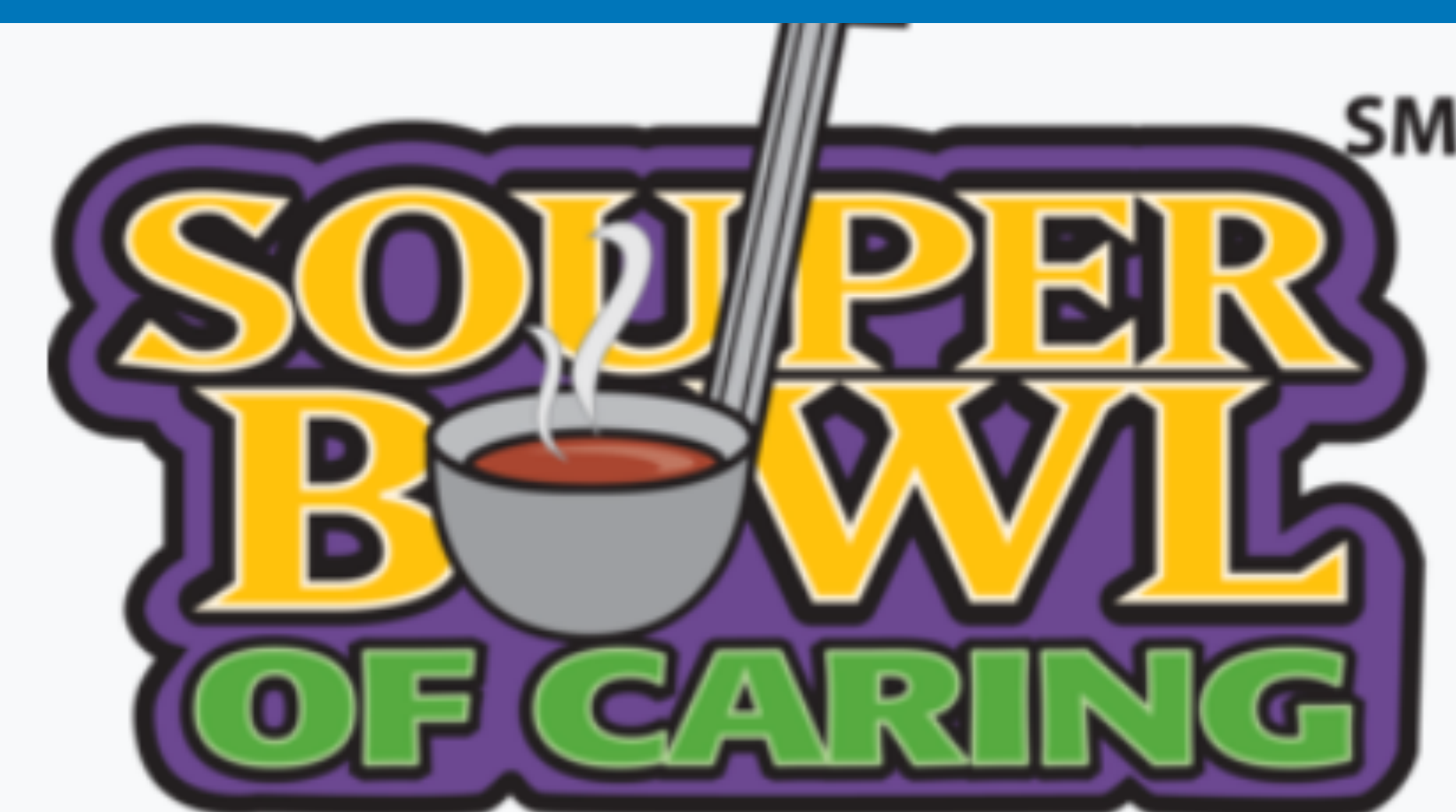
Coordinated with Faith Formation

January

Souper Bowl of Caring

- ◆ On a Sunday when many enjoy the Super Bowl football game, let us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat.
- ◆ Christian Education will work with the youth to coordinate this event.
- ◆ All are encouraged to donate cans of soup.

Organized by Sue Heverling



February

Walk For Warmth

- ◆ When we Unite together, a spark of hope unites an entire community.
- ◆ In conjunction with United Way and Enstar Natural Gas, the purpose of this walk is to raise awareness and funds for families and individuals who are struggling to meet the expenses of utility bills.
- ◆ Walk begins at First Presbyterian parking lot.

Organized by Marcus Geist



April/March, December

Hiland Mountain Correctional Facility

- ◆ Cards will be placed on a table in the foyer as Easter and Christmas approach.
- ◆ All are encouraged to write notes of encouragement on a few cards.

Cards organized by Vicky Allard and April Hoffman.



May - September

I-Street Community Garden

- ◆ Excellent opportunity for families and people of all ages to enjoy a small community garden.
- ◆ Harvested food is shared with Lutheran Social Services.
- ◆ Volunteers needed for about an hour/week to water, weed, and harvest.
- ◆ Children walk to garden during Godly Play a few times each season, as weather permits.

Contact Katherine Osborne-Hightower, Lorissa Jackson or Danna Larson for more information



November

Anchorage Thanksgiving Blessing

- ◆ Families and people of all ages are encouraged to participate in this event in coordination with Food Bank of Alaska and local faith communities to ensure all families have opportunity to enjoy a holiday meal.
- ◆ First Presbyterian is responsible for collecting cans of corn.
- ◆ A volunteer is needed to deliver our donations.

Organized by Lorissa Jackson



December

Alternative Gift Market

- ◆ An opportunity for our congregation and community to purchase gifts that support a variety of missions.
- ◆ Volunteers are needed to set up the Market, staff mission tables, and take down tables and clean up after the Market.

Organized by Marcus Geist and Danna Larson



December

Gambell Presbyterian Church

- ◆ This project serves to continue a relationship with people of Gambell that began when members of First Presbyterian helped build a church/community center. When asked how we could continue to support them, they requested we send socks to the community Christmas party.
- ◆ All can donate socks and candy canes.
- ◆ A volunteer is needed to help pack socks and candy canes and ship package.

Contact Dennis Berry or Danna Larson for more information

