

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania
Service and Outreach Ministry Team
Social Ministry Sub-Committee Meeting**

**Next Regular Meeting:
(Social Ministry Sub-Committee)
Monday, May 19th at 7:00 PM
at the Parish House**

Meeting Date: March 17, 2008

The meeting of the Social Ministry Sub-Committee was held at the parish house on Monday, March 17 beginning at 7:20 P.M.

In attendance were: George Duhigg, George Mathews, Kathy Mathews, and Dick Yost.

George Mathews opened the meeting with prayer.

The general topics that were discussed are summarized as follows:

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	<u>ACTION/FOLLOW-UP</u>
Baby Pantry at St. Joseph's	The speaker for the Women's banquet will be from the St. Joseph's Center. This might be something that we will be able to support.	Mike Krahlung will obtain a list of items that are needed to support this program.
Red Cross Blood Drive	The Red Cross Blood Bank Drive held on February 22 yielded 45 pints of blood. On April 25 (1 PM to 6 PM) we will co-sponsor the blood bank. We will need ten volunteers for each event (five persons per shift): canteen (4), greeters (2), appointments (2) and escorts (2). The volunteers will be divided into two shifts. George Duhigg verified that we are able to distribute congregational information at the drive. At the April event we can distribute brochures relative to the state park ministry.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
St. Francis Kitchen "Host for a Day" Program	We are anticipating the visits to the kitchen on April 9, June 11 and October 29 (all Wednesdays). The youth group will be serving dinner on April 17, September 11, and November 6.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
Meals-on-Wheels	Jeanne Davis is serving as the Trinity Meals-on-Wheels Coordinator. The schedule is in place for the rest of 2008. We will plan to honor Bengt Berg at a coffee hour when he visits Pennsylvania. George Duhigg has obtained a recognition certificate from Meals-on-wheels that can be presented to Bengt on the occasion of his next visit to Clarks Summit.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
Ministerium Food Pantry	The strategy for congregations to sponsor the pantry by receiving food contributions is being replicated from last year. Each congregation will be making a special appeal for food in a different month. In 2008 Trinity is again assuming this responsibility for March. We are advertising the needed food items in the bulletin.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>

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Member -to- Member Ministry	<p>At the Service and Outreach Ministry Team meeting, Pastor suggested inviting members of the congregation to share ideas that they observe from attending other churches. An example is a card he obtained at a service in Georgia, that is filled out by a parishioner indicating his/her interest in preparing a meal for members in an emergency situation (hospitalization...). Bill contacted George Duhigg regarding the program. Connie McDonnell has offered to coordinate it.</p> <p>Other ideas will be evaluated and implemented as they are suggested.</p>	George Duhigg will contact Connie McDonnell who has offered to coordinate this program.
Trinity Lutheran Men in Mission	<p>The group is supporting the Scranton Rescue Mission by providing a meal on each of the 5th Fridays in 2008. Participants are meeting at the mission at 5:00 PM.</p> <p>Support of this ministry will continue to be evaluated over the course of the coming months.</p>	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
Ugly Quilts	Larry Wood continues to transport quilts and filler materials to Hop Bottom when there are sufficient supplies to be transported.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
Parish Health Ministry	The series of workshops for 2007-08 are currently being presented. This year there have been several cancelled programs as a result of the weather.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>
Sub-Committee Roster	Discussion was held relative to possible additional persons who might be able to serve on the sub-committee.	George Duhigg, Dick Yost and Kathy Mathews will make contacts with prospective members.
Next Meeting	The date for the next regular meeting of the sub-committee will be Monday, May 19 at 7:00 PM at the Parish House.	<i>(no follow-up responsibilities)</i>

Minutes recorded by George Mathews