



St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Odessa  
*Reaching Up Reaching In Reaching Out*  
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## Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

February 1, 2026, 11:00 AM Service

WE ENTER GOD'S GATES WITH PRAISE

WELCOME WITH MUSIC AND IMAGES

Mark Holden & June Stemmler, Photographer & Curator, Gail Garner – ASL Interpreter

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING

*\*(please stand in body or spirit)*

GATHERING WORDS:

Liturgist – Nadine Johnson

One: What Does the Lord require of us?

**Many: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.**

One: With what shall we come before the Lord?

**Many: With speech that is gentle, and words that build up.**

One: How shall we live our faith?

**Many: With actions that bring peace and works that lift up the lowly.**

One: Come and worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Many: We will live in Christ's way of peace.**

\*OPENING HYMN:

*Lead On O Cloud of Presence*

Black Hymnal 2234

\*OPENING PRAYER (all praying): **Oh God, our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, how do we thank you? How do we show our gratitude? Tell us what you require in return for all your goodness. Oh God, our teacher, example, companion, you have shown us what is good and call us to remember that what you require is not repayments of debt or settling the score, but obedience. Show us, God, when to do justice, how to love kindness, and where to walk humbly with you. Amen**

WORDS FOR YOUNG BELIEVERS:

*Step By Step*

Green Hymnal 3004

*O God, you are my God, and I will every praise you. O God you are my God and I will ever praise you. I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways; and step by step you'll lead me and I will follow you all of my days.*

Brian McNelis shares a blessing with our children!

FIRST LESSON: Micah 6:1-8 (CEB)

Hear what the Lord is saying; Arise, lay out the lawsuit before the mountains; let the hills hear your voice!

Hear, mountains, the lawsuit of the Lord!

Hear, eternal foundations of the earth!

The Lord has a lawsuit against his people; with Israel he will argue.

“My people, what did I ever do to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! I brought you up out of the land of Egypt; I redeemed you from the house of slavery. I sent Moses, Aaron, and Miriam before you my people, remember what Moab's King Balak had planned, and how Balaam, Boer's son, answered him! Remember everything from Shittim to Gilgal, that you might learn to recognize the righteous acts of the Lord!”

With what should I approach the Lord and bow down before God on high? Should I come before him with entirely burned offerings, with year old calves? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with many torrents of oil? Should I give my oldest child for my crime; the fruit of my body for the sin of my spirit?

He has told you, human one, what is good and what the Lord requires from you; to do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly with your God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Let There Be Peace On Earth* Red Hymnal 431

\*GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:1-12 (CEB)

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up a mountain. He sat down and his disciples came to him. He taught them, saying:

Happy are those people who are hopeless, because the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Happy are people who grieve, because they will be made glad.

Happy are people who are humble, because they will inherit the earth.

Happy are people who are hungry and thirsty for righteousness, because they will be fed until full.

Happy are people who show mercy, because they will receive mercy.

Happy are people who have pure hearts, because they will see God.

Happy are people who make peace, because they will be called God's children.

Happy are people whose lives are harassed because they are righteous, because the kingdom of God is theirs.

Happy are you when people insult you and harass you and speak all kinds of bad and false things about you, all because of me.

Be full of joy and be glad, because you have a great reward in heaven. In the same way, people harassed the prophets who came before you.

One: May this story inspire us all. **ALL: To walk in the way that leads to life.**

THE MESSAGE: "It Sounds So Simple" Pastor Linda Ray

### WE GIVE THANKS

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Source of justice and mercy, work through this offering to bring your gifts to the world; righteousness and peace, love and kindness, hope and joy. May our gifts truly express our gratitude for your many blessings for our church and for your children everywhere. Amen

THE OFFERTORY: Today's **Yellow Hat** mission offering supports 2/01 **MOT Rise Against Hunger.**

CHORAL ANTHEM: *Cold the Winter* by Mark Schweizer Chancel Choir

\*THE DOXOLOGY: Red Hymnal 95

GATHERING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF CONESSION (all praying): **Micah reminds us that our prayers, fasting and pious ritual must be lived out in compassion and justice. Lord have mercy. When we forget the fast you desire-to-do justice and rise up for the powerless - Lord have mercy. When we forget the prayer for love-to-show compassions and care for those in need - Christ have mercy. When we forget the rituals you require-to-create relationships of righteousness and peace – Lord have mercy. Amen**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

Pastor Linda Ray

Officiant Server- Nadine Johnson

Reader 1: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

Reader 1: Lift up your hearts.

**ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Reader 1: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Reader 1:** It is a right and joyous thing to lift our hearts and hands to you, God of Light and Love, in thanksgiving for the gift of your grace. We know we are not alone because you have chosen to reveal your presence in our world. As we consider the lilies of the field, we are amazed by your intricate creativity. As we discover our interconnectedness with all living things we are filled with awe and wonder at the beauty of your dance of life. Before we knew the unsearchable riches of your child Jesus, we walked in shadows and cloud. But now as you reveal radiance to the world, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place and join their unending hymn:

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Reader 2:** You are holy and the full epiphany of your glory is Jesus Christ. In Jesus You were seen in the life of a child. In Jesus You were seen in the life of a youth you stayed behind in the temple and worried his earthly parents. In Jesus You offered to us countless treasures; radiant with life and grace.

Lifting the bread) On the night in which Jesus gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**Reader 1:** (Lifting the cup) When the supper was over, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to the disciples and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

**Reader 2:** Presence of God, open our eyes that we might recognize your presence with us in the lives of everyone we meet, in all the places we visit, in all the words shared, in every action taken, may we see your epiphany and worship you, Jesus, may we adore you, most Holy Spirit, may we appreciate you, Creator God, Holy Trinity, now and forever.

**ALL: AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.**

Reader 2: Now in celebration of God's epiphany in Jesus Christ, may we join in prayer saying together:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory Forever. AMEN.**

*(The congregation will come forward to receive the bread and cup.)*

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

**WE GO IN THE SPIRIT!**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SERVICE

SENDING HYMN:

*Jesu, Jesu*

Red Hymnal 432

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Liturgist: Nadine Johnson

Audio/Video: Charlii Miller, John Littell, John Cate, Carlotta Cline, Garrett Ray

Communion Officiant/Server: Nadine Johnson

Ushers: John & Patti Harmer, June Stemmler, John Harmon, Denis Shaffer, Laura Widger, Ryan & Brett Vitsorek

Greeters: Laura Widger, Brook Ellis

Minister of Music: Duane Dillard

Director of Music: Dr. Kathleen Shannon, Organist/Accompanist: Jin Kyung Seo

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS - THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S:

**Sunday 2/01** Worship Services 8:30AM with Livestreaming and ASL and 11AM, Adult & Children's Bible Study 9:45AM, Choir Practice 9:45AM, Pak-A-Sak Sunday

**Monday 2/02** Bible Study 10AM, Nurture Team Mtg. 1PM, Trustees Comm. Mtg. 6:30PM

**Tuesday 2/03** Bible Study 6:30PM, Health Ministry Mtg. 2PM. Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM

**Wednesday 2/04** TOPS 5 PM, Handbell Choir 6 PM

**Thursday 2/05** Prayer and Praise Team 10 AM

**Friday 2/06**

**Saturday 2/07** AA Mtg 7PM

**STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES TO DATE: Per Alice Mullins/Treasurer 72 pledges - \$230,782.**

Packets and extra cards are still available in Fellowship Hall. Please **return your financial pledge card in a sealed envelope, addressed to Alice Mullins, Treasurer** and put it in the collection basket or put them in the locked black box on the wall at the side, back door, or in the black box on the wall at the top of the steps to the church office marked 'TREASURER/FINANCIAL'.

The Time and Talent and the Prayer and Worship cards can be put in the collection plate or given to Pastor Linda.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MONTHLY & YTD BUDGET TOTALS/MELISSA BROOKS CHAIR:

December Income	\$ 28,959
December Expense	<u>(\$36,036)</u>
	(\$7,077)

2025 YTD Income	\$ 324,282
2025 YTD Expense	<u>(\$318,980)</u>
	\$ 5,302

We ended 2025 in the black! Thank you to everyone for your continued support of SPUMC.

### December Yellow Hat:

12/7	World Vision	\$ 319.00
12/14	Neighborhood House	\$ 265.72
12/21	Youth Ministries	\$ 675.93
12/28	Charity Waters	\$ 255.72

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE: Updated-new Procedure of Disbursement Vouchers as of January 2026**

To submit a Disbursement Voucher for reimbursement, please follow these general steps:

**Obtain a Disbursement Voucher Form:** This form is available from the church office and must be completed with the necessary information. **Forms are in the wall bin before the Church Office door.**

**Attached Required Documents:** Include original receipts, invoices, and any other supporting documentation.

**No Signature for Approval Needed:** The Treasurer will approve and reach out to the requester if there are any questions.

**Submit the Form:** Make sure all documents are placed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Treasurer, Alice Mullins. **Place envelope in black locked box marked Treasurer, located on the landing, leading up to the Church Office.**

**Receiving Payment:** Once processed, the Treasurer will remit the payment to the requester.

**Please Note:** Disbursement Vouchers must be submitted within 2 weeks from the incurred expense. After 2 weeks, reimbursement will need to be approved by the Finance Committee.

Peace & Blessings, Alice Mullins, Treasurer/Financial, St. Paul's UMC, Odessa

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>, NOON.** Sign up to bring your favorite soup for the lunch planned to begin at 12 noon. This fundraiser is for Maggie McCombs, niece to Kathy Chas, who was tragically paralyzed due to a violent crime. There will be a lunch tray of soup, salad, bread and a dessert available for purchase. You can also buy soups as take-out. Donated cans of soup will go to ODB. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and hope to see you at this fun fellowship!

**MIDDLETOWN COMMUNITY CHORUS CONCERT: *rescheduled to Saturday, February 14th, 3 PM* at St. Paul's** The Concert is titled "Walking In The Light" and will feature songs of Hope, Joy, and Justice. Go to [mccmusic.org](http://mccmusic.org) for ticket information.

**UMM DATES TO REMEMBER: Next UMM Breakfast is February 28, 2026.** Please contact Mark Holden, at 802-279-8100 or [mark@maholden.com](mailto:mark@maholden.com), for more information to help.

### **JOY GROUP SAVE THE DATE!**

We have booked yet another JOY event at Sight & Sound in Lancaster!! We will be going to see "JOSHUA" on **Thursday, May 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.** At this point, 50 seats have been reserved. There is no payment due until after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, but if you are contemplating attending the show, and if you might consider purchasing ticket(s) as a Christmas gift, please let us know so we can put your name on the list. Contact Karen Ellis at [iluvbrmuda@gmail.com](mailto:iluvbrmuda@gmail.com) or Nadine Johnson at [nadine.faye.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:nadine.faye.johnson@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up for what promises to be another amazing show!!

**BIRTHDAYS:** February 1 – Sarah Mullen; February 2 – Jackson Wills; February 3 – David Pearl, David Wallace; February 4 – Dalton Ashley, Alice Rizzo, Bob Urstadt; February 5 – Vivian Mastin; February 7 – Dave Corby, Maddie Kennedy, Zach Pompeo

**ANNIVERSARYS:** N/A

**FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP:** If you are interested in honoring a loved one with flowers at the altar on a particular Sunday, please use the **Flowers Sign-up Chart** and **complete the card with instructions on the Narthex bulletin board.** You can email Bonnie at anytime to see if slots are taken on the chart, [bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org](mailto:bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org).

You can also still call Bonnie or email the church office at [bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org](mailto:bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org) so we make sure the information is added in the bulletin and reserved for you. You can have a florist create a bouquet or you can create your own, (or a plant), and then bring it to the church on Saturday or before the 8:30 am (9am in summer) service on Sunday morning.

**Our designated florist is Elana's in Middletown, 302-285-0800, please call them early in the week to set up your flower delivery for Saturday to St. Paul's. There will be NO delivery charge.**

**PRAYER REQUEST BOX** is available in the Narthex along with the prayer request cards. Just complete the form, fold, and drop in the box on the corner shelf located at the second set of doors into Fellowship Hall. You can also email Bonnie Valeski in the Church Office with your request at [bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org](mailto:bonnie@stpaulsodessa.org).

**Please be sure to let Bonnie know you want to remove your request. Thank you**

**PRAYERS FOR:** Carolyn Akin, Jonathan Brooks, John Guy, Levi Schrum and family, Nancy- sister of Alice Rizzo, Ethan Porter, George, Dylan Green, Kevin Quiveors – Al Calbazana’s brother-in-law, Scott, Mindie, and Bo Pleasanton, Norman Parks, David Sheats, Amanda Branlund who is going through cancer treatment, Terry Sweeney, Michael Whitehead who is doing better but still grateful for prayers, Angela Christian’s mother, Kathy Golden, Georgiana Fennemore, Blain Shoun, Skip Bason, for Jessica Schrum and family, as her father, John Carmichael, begins his cancer treatment journey and her mom, Sandra, his caretaker, Chris Foote, Danny Skeans, Dave Koski, Deena Greenwood, Leah Elliott & Phil Elliott in their health struggles, Alice Mullins’ sister Sue Austin who has been ill, Jeanne Buckworth, Lauren – granddaughter to a friend of Sue Haberstroh recovering from surgery after a bad car accident, Giancarlo and family - the great-grandson baby of Carole & John Harmon who needs prayers with his continuing critical health struggles, Dave Sydnor, Elayne Guy, Jordan Ingram, son of Allen & Mary Ingram, as he suffers through breakthrough seizures and medication adjustments, for Dave Corby , the family of Linda Sydnor as they deal with health issues, Shirley Walker on the recent passing of her son, Patricia Bower on the death of her brother and her health issues, Sharan Duren on her health issues, Alyssa Chapas, recently diagnosed with breast cancer, who is the daughter to long-time friend of Don Mueller, Alice Mullins’ brother recently diagnosed with Parkinson’s, Allen Ingram as he continues to heal, Marcia and Dicky Wheeler, Lauren, Joe Stemmler and others struggling with health issues and recovery.

### **Upcoming Yellow Hat Schedule for February 2026**

**2/01/26 MOT Rise Against Hunger**

**2/08/26 Souper Bowl Sunday for Maggie McCombs ( Kathy Chas)**

**2/15/26 American Heart Association**

**2/22/26 UMCOR International for Turkey & Syria Relief**

**Please make sure ALL checks are made payable to St. Paul’s UMC, including checks for the Yellow Hat missions, writing the organization’s name on the memo line.**

**All donations are collected, recorded, entered in the system, and deposited into the Church’s operating account on a weekly basis. Also, on a weekly basis, a check is mailed to the specified yellow hat organization for the total amount collected.**

**It is very important that donations be placed in the offering plate, yellow hat or mailed to St. Paul’s UMC. You are also welcome to drop off donations in the black box on the wall just inside the side door to the Church, making sure it is secured in an envelope with your name on the front. This is to guarantee acknowledgement of your donations when the yearly contribution statement is sent for tax purposes.**

**Thank you all for your continued support for St. Paul’s as we are growing in our faith through generosity. *Alice Mullins, Treasurer***



## **St. Paul’s Mission Statement**

### **Reaching Up to praise God in vibrant worship**

God calls us to live out our discipleship grounded in Christ’s awakening us to the glory and majesty of God in all creation, and we respond together by worshiping God with our gratitude and praise. Standing or lifting our

hands high are both ancient postures of worship, and so our dance of discipleship involves reaching up with our hearts, souls, and bodies, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

*Psalms 100:4-5 (NRSV)*

## **Reaching In to deepen our spiritual walk with Christ**

Christ accepts us as we are, and then calls us to follow him and learn from him, growing in our spiritual walk-through practices the church calls spiritual disciplines: prayer, fasting, meditation, studying God's Word, individually and with others. As we grow in the knowledge of God, we discover more about the extraordinary plans God has for our lives.

*"If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."*

*John 8:31-32 (NRSV)*

## **Reaching Out with acts of love and compassion**

Here's where it all comes together! Assured of God's eternal love, strengthened by the grace and knowledge of Christ, we are ready for the Holy Spirit to kindle a fire in our lives, gifting us for the labor of love God has prepared for us to accomplish. Having fallen in love with God, we love and serve our neighbors.

*"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."*

*Matthew 25:40 (NRSV)*

## **MISSIONS AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **WEEKLY GATHERINGS – CHURCH BUILDING**

OFFICE HOURS Tuesday -Thursday, 9 AM-2 PM

- TOPS Meeting – Wednesdays 5 PM. Beginning in December 2025
- St. Paul's Prayer and Praise Group Ministry – Thursdays 10AM @Carole Harmon's Home
- St. Paul's Handbell Rehearsal – Wednesdays 6PM
- St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal –Sundays 9:45AM
- AA Meeting – Saturdays 7 PM

### **MONTHLY GATHERINGS**

- Finance Meeting – 2nd Monday 6:30 PM
- Trustees Meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday 6:30 PM
- SPRC Meeting – 4th Thursday 6:30 PM
- Leadership Meeting – 3rd Tuesday 6:30PM
- Friends of Zoar Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 6PM
- Pak-A-Sak Sunday – First Sunday of the Month
- St. Paul's @ODB – Second Tuesday of the Month
- St. Paul's Deep Roots Food Collection – Second Wednesday of the Month

**Sunday Adult Bible Study** will resume 9/14/2025, 9:45AM

**Children's Sunday School** will resume 9/14/2025, 9:45AM

**Adult Bible Study** - Monday's 10AM

### **Flowers for Worship**

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### **Compassionate Card Ministry**

The Compassionate Card Ministry is made up of 20 dedicated members of our congregation who create hand-made cards and encouraging messages to those in our directory, within our congregation, those on our prayer lists and others who are brought to our attention. Our purpose is to spread kindness and love to others through uplifting and personalized sentiments on hand-made cards. If you are not in our directory and would like to be added to our list, or if you know someone who would benefit from the blessing of a card, please contact Ellie Leuliette at 484-432-4673.

### **Prayer and Praise Group Ministry**

Carole Harmon hosts a prayer circle, currently Thursday mornings at 10 AM - in person. Please contact Carole if you are interested in joining the group or have a special prayer request. You can also find prayer request cards and box on the corner shelf in the Narthex.

### **VANCO: Manage Your Giving Online**

Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at [www.stpaulsodessa.org](http://www.stpaulsodessa.org) and click on the VANCO Online Giving button to the left of the screen.
- 3) Click on the Link to Online Giving thru VANCO button, then
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your RECURRING CONTRIBUTIONS.

### **Love Thy Neighbor Fund**

Our "Love Thy Neighbor Fund" was created to help those in need in the MOT community. This fund may support a time in someone's life when he/she may need a little kindness and generosity to help endure and survive a challenging situation. If you can donate, please make checks payable to St. Paul's UMC and then write in the memo area it is for "Love Thy Neighbor Fund." Please note, this fund is SEPARATE from the Yellow Hat.

Thank you, Love Thy Neighbor Committee

### **Deep Roots**

Nadine Johnson & Karen Ellis continue to work with the "Deep Roots" mission. This group works with families who are disconnected through homelessness and provides transitional shelter and other services to families in need. They need your help as they continue to contact members of the church to help with making meals the second Wednesday of every month, feeding approximately 50+ individuals. Here's hoping you will be able to help us with this very important and necessary mission. Thanks so much! Contact Karen Ellis at [iluvbr-muda@gmail.com](mailto:iluvbr-muda@gmail.com) and Nadine Johnson at [nadine.faye.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:nadine.faye.johnson@gmail.com)

### **Our Daily Bread Food Donations**

214 N Broad St, Middletown, DE 19709

Volunteers Needed – day and evening hours and different areas of need, filling bags, handing out meals, etc. Volunteer Opportunities can be found at <https://www.ourdailybreadmot.com/volunteer>. Contact Sue Holden, Missions Co-Chair, at 802-324-6167, [susieq2951@aol.com](mailto:susieq2951@aol.com).



## *Hot Meal Service*

**Our Daily Bread serves 7 meals a week.**

**Lunch:** Tuesday & Thursday • 12:00pm-1:00pm  
(Dine-In Only)

**Dinner:** Monday-Friday • 5:00pm-6:00pm  
(Dine-In or Take Out)

days/times for meal service remain the same each week  
menus are subject to change

ODB is most thankful to all who donate either monetarily or in kind. Your generosity helps ODB feed those in our community who are facing food insecurity. Listed below are the items needed to stuff our side bags and other items that are needed on a regular basis. Donations can be dropped off on Tuesday from 9:15 to 11:30AM

- Individual bottles of water
- Individual bags of salty snacks
- Individual packets of sweet snacks
- Individual fruit cups and/or applesauce
- Fresh fruit (apples, bananas, oranges)
- Boxes of breakfast cereal
- Boxes of mashed potatoes
- White bread
- Baked beans (large cans)
- Gallon size zip-loc bags
- Lg black garbage bags
- Cans of soup

Thank you for any and all kindness!

### **Neighborhood House**

Neighborhood House really appreciates St. Paul's ongoing support in so many ways. At this point, we are low on some items in the food pantry. These items are especially needed right now in our food pantry, though all donations are gladly accepted with the inventory being low now.

**Currently our pantry is bare and needs these items:**

- **pasta/pasta sauce**
- **canned items like Chef Boyardee, beef stew, Spam, chicken, tuna**
- **canned fruit**
- **peanut butter and jelly**
- **any boxed items like mac'n cheese, stuffing, mashed potatoes**

**These non-perishables are needed to keep our pantry stocked:**

Chef Boyardee, beef stew, Spam ,pancake mix/syrup, snacks - cookies, crackers etc. Toiletries are stocked for now.

**ADDITIONALLY, THERE IS ALWAYS A NEED FOR ADULT SIZED DISPOSABLE DIAPERS AS WELL AS FOR BABIES/CHILDREN IN SIZES 4, 5, AND 6, AND WIPES. WE HAVE NUMEROUS MOMS WITH BABIES AND TODDLERS WHO TAKE THEIR MONEY FOR FOOD AND BILLS TO BUY THEM.**

Donations can be left inside the Church. We look forward to another great year working together to feed the hungry. Thanks to all, Marilyn Hendershot, Family Services Specialist, Neighborhood House, Inc.

