



### **A Message from Pastor Mary**

Dear Church,

As we enter the second week of social distancing, we are working as a church to be attentive to the needs of our island neighbors who were already facing issues of food insecurity and homelessness. We are also aware that needs will increase as people who were stable with their employment are facing unemployment, especially the many hourly workers. Think about all the restaurant servers and kitchen staff.

As of today, here's what we know about needs and ways to help. We encourage you to do what you can. Let us know if you hear about needs or ways to help. We don't need to do everything, but we can do our part as community partners.

#### *A Prayer for the Day*

*Gracious God, Gentle Christ, Compassionate Spirit, watch over our troubled world. On this day, we remember before you all those who are most impacted by this pandemic: those who are ill, medical personnel, those who have lost their jobs, those who are watching next month's bills come in with no income coming in, those who are homeless, and all those who are feeling the loneliness of social isolation.*

*In this time, we give thanks for all those who are working tirelessly to support our community: for those who stock grocery shelves, for intensive care unit staff, for government officials locally and nationally, for sanitation workers, for those who make deliveries to our homes, for nursing home workers. For all these and all others, we give thanks and pray that their strength continues. Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.*

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#### **CLC'S LITTLE FREE PANTRY**

The Little Free Pantry is under construction! Thank you to friends of



Christ Lutheran – Mike Salera and Bruce Zimmerman, for building our pantry. Our youth will paint and decorate the pantry before it is installed on our Campus. Stay tuned for more information on how you can help us keep the pantry stocked with items to feed our neighbors in need!

*Do not pass by a man in need, for you may be the hand of God to him.” Proverbs 3:27*



**Greetings from Chris Wilcox**

For the time being, individual food shopping in the pantry has stopped. Volunteers pack all food, put the bags in a grocery cart and take the cart out to the recipient's car. Each request recipient goes home with 5 very full bags of grocery goods, frozen breads and meats and refrigerated fresh fruits, vegetables and milk and eggs. The pantry is challenged to meet this huge uptick in food requests. Food that normally gets funneled through the reserves at the LowCountry Food Bank in Yemassee and through Second Helpings may be running low. Shelves at local grocery stores are getting low; Deep Well's normal dedicated nonprofit channels will be challenged as well.



Here is a message from Deep Well about how we can help. . . .

"Since shopping and delivering donated food puts YOU at possible risk, we instead



BC School District is supplying breakfast and lunch to ALL students during the shutdown. On HHI, these meals can be picked up at HH High School. School buses are also distributing them on their normal school routes as well. This move must be a real blessing to so many

encourage you to make a financial donation to the Deep Well Project's COMBAT COVID-19 Community Fund. We have several food source channels where we can purchase needed food items for families in dire circumstances. These funds may also be used to help local families with emergency rent, utility, or critical prescriptions as they come up short on funds because of lost wages due to virus-driven business closures. To make a credit card donation from your home, please visit our website at [deepwellproject.org](http://deepwellproject.org) go to the DONATE page, and follow the instructions listed there. You do not need a PayPal account. To make a donation via check, please mail your check, made out to The Deep Well Project, to PO Box 5543, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938.

If you would like your donation to exclusively go to emergency situations due to the virus, please indicate on your check, "COMBAT COVID-19 Community Fund." If you are in a position to help local families with no safety net, thank you dearly for your generosity."

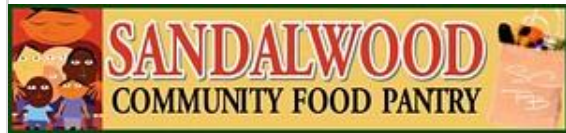
If you would like to donate food or other items, please take your donation directly to Deep Well at 80 Capital Drive. There is a donation box in the Deep Well lobby. **DO NOT BRING ITEMS TO THE CHURCH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**Shopping list:**

Pasta  
Canned Meat---chicken, tuna, salmon  
Mac and Cheese  
Soup/Stew  
Jelly  
Cans of fruit  
Cans of vegetables (other than green beans!)  
Toilet Paper  
Paper Towels  
Toothpaste  
Shampoo---especially those shampoos formulated for African Americans

families who qualify for and depend on the government free breakfast and lunch programs.

Backpack Buddies has suspended its operations in the schools for the near future, perhaps through the end of the school year. It has been decided to donate the food inventory from the 4 church storage and packing sites (CLC, St. Andrew, St. Francis and HHI Community) to the Sandalwood Food Pantry and the Deep Well Project. Sandalwood Food Pantry operates out of the AME Queen Chapel on Beach City Road and is open Tuesday and Friday 11:30-1:30pm. Volunteers pack all bags and take them to clients.



<http://www.sandalwoodfoodbank.com/>

**Thank you for continuing to support Christ Lutheran Church with your weekly offering.**

- Please mail to:  
**Christ Lutheran Church**  
829 William Hilton Pkwy.,  
Hilton Head Island, SC 29928
- Donate online at [clchhi.org](http://clchhi.org)
- Donate via Vanco at [vancopayments.com](http://vancopayments.com)



Family Promise is no longer using accommodations at the churches and are housing the 2 families in the shelter program in the Candlewood Suites. Each room has a fully equipped kitchen. There are complimentary laundry facilities onsite. For church members who wish to support this organization, assistance could come in the form of:

- gift cards to Walmart (\$10 or \$25) which can be used to buy gas for family cars or for food
- gift cards to Food Lion (again \$10 or \$25) as the hotel is within walking distance of the store.
- donations to assist with hotel expenses made either by check and payable to: Family Promise of Beaufort County and sent to 181 Bluffton Road, D101, Bluffton, SC 29910



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- \$100 of each sale will go *directly* to SERG Group Restaurant employees to help support them during our forced business closures.
- \$50 of each sale will be split between Bluffton Self Help in Bluffton and Deep Well on Hilton Head Island for them to distribute as grants to support local food and beverage workers outside of the SERG Restaurant Group who need financial support.

**Cost: \$250**

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