

# Opportunities to Serve within the Community

## **Angel Tree**

This program gives our church family the opportunity to provide help to those in need at Christmas, including gifts and new clothes to children from low-income families within the MISD and needed items for our homebound, elderly members, and military members who have a connection to our church family.

## **Big Hope**

A collaboration of Kids Hope USA and Big Brothers Big Sisters, BIG HOPE is a mentoring program to assist at-risk children in our community. Members of our church are matched with a child and meet one-on-one for one hour each week, helping with school work and playing games. We currently partner with Alice Ponder Elementary School.

## **Disaster Response**

Support from our church helps fund UMCOR, a worldwide ministry of the United Methodist Church that provides disaster response and ongoing relief efforts wherever needed throughout the world.

## **Feed the Kids for Summer**

This is a Common Ground Network program that provides bags filled with child-friendly food to children in the Mansfield ISD who receive meals through the free and reduced lunch program during the school year. The children also have the opportunity to be a part of a reading program that encourages them to keep reading during the summer.

## **G.R.A.C.E. Homeless Ministry**

The second Saturday of every month we partner with Feed by Grace to help feed and visit with the homeless in Fort Worth's Unity Park.

## **Habitat for Humanity**

Our church partners with Trinity Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian ministry, to build two houses each year in Mansfield, one in the spring and one in the fall.

## **Hands of Christ**

This program helps with minor home repairs for the elderly and disabled in the Mansfield community. Work days are the third Saturday of March, April, May, September, October and November. No experience or tools needed. Hospitality volunteers are also needed to help serve lunch.

## **Meals on Wheels**

Our church is the drop-off point for the Mansfield area Meals on Wheels program of Tarrant County. Volunteers deliver lunch meals to homebound persons Monday through Friday. There are several ways to serve: be a site coordinator; deliver a route once a week; or become a sub-driver on an "as needed" basis.

## **Kairos Prison Ministry**

Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc. is the parent organization of a body of ministries addressing the spiritual needs of incarcerated men, women and children, their families and those who work in the prison environment. Our church participates in Kairos weekends twice a year.

## **Refugee Ministry**

Our church works directly with Refugee Services of Texas to welcome and orient newly arrived refugee families. This includes furnishings for an apartment for the arrival of a family, and continuing to assist them in their first months as they learn English, get jobs, and get acclimated to schools, food, medical care, and customs.

## **Project Transformation**

Project Transformation is a mission and ministry of the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. We are so excited that Project Transformation will be coming to Central Texas in the summer of 2017. This summer you are invited to serve the Dallas chapter of Project Transformation by reading with students.

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There are many opportunities for service within the church.

- Worship Production Team (A/V)
- Celebrate Recovery
- Chancel Choir
- Children's Ministry (various)
- Church Library
- Clerical Support
- Cooking/Baking Team
- Drama/Dance
- Graphic Design
- Handbells
- Military Support
- Orchestra
- Parking Lot Greeter
- Praise Band
- Prayer Ministry
- Prepare/Serve Communion
- Scripture Readers
- Small Group Leaders/Facilitators
- Special Events
- Stephen Ministry (care ministry)
- Stepping Stones (Community Life group for developmentally challenged, young adults)
- Student Ministry (various)
- Usher/Greeter
- Video/Photography
- Visitor/New Member Follow-up
- Welcoming Guests
- Writing/Editing

*"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45*

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