

local global outreach

This fall, we have several ways you can participate in living God's mission locally and globally by donating items, giving of your time and gifts and discovering more about what it means to serve compassionately as part of our Fall preaching + teaching series "the Hole in Our Gospel". Throughout the series we will be highlighting tangible ways we can "fill the hole".

Salvation Army Food Pantry

We need your help in donating non-perishables (canned meats, vegetables, fruits, pastas, boxed meals, etc.) to help benefit those in our neighborhood who utilize the food pantry.

Union Gospel Mission Grocery Bags

Every October and November we participate in the Union Gospel Mission program to fill grocery bags for families to have a Thanksgiving dinner. Bags will be **handed out on October 28** and are **due back on November 4**. Last year First Covenant donated over 180 bags. This year our goal is collect over 200 bags!! Let's all help a local family have a Thanksgiving dinner this year.

Alley Shoppe

Bring your gently used clothing, cookware and other essential household goods and donate them to the Alley Shoppe ministry that helps those in Ramsey County with these much needed supplies. Items can be left weekly in the bin in the foyer marked "Alley Shoppe". There will be an opportunity to help the Alley Shoppe **sort items on December 8** in preparation for their annual Christmas distribution. Please talk to Beth Norris with any questions.

Covenant World Relief

On **October 14** we will be **distributing** envelopes, labels and lids for Covenant World Relief offering. The labels and caps go on soup cans to collect change over the next month, which goes to help emergency relief around the world. We encourage you or your family to collect change and then **return the cans to church on November 25th**, Christ the King Sunday.

Covenant Missionaries

Be sure to check out the Covenant Missionaries we support through First Covenant Church on the bulletin board in the east hallway of the church. Read their missionary update letters and see how your generous giving is helping support these life changing ministries.

Thank you for living out Christ's love by sharing what you have with others and through allowing God to change your heart through compassionate service. For more information about any of these items, please contact Mike Verdoorn, Local/Global Outreach Deacon at mikeverdoorn@gmail.com.