

March 21, 2020

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

May the grace and peace of our Lord be with you. Please take a moment and read the following appeal for help. Even though it is a bit lengthy it is important as we work for the common good. Having this in mind, Trinity has become aware of several organizations needing not only financial assistance, but also assistance with obtaining items needed to fight the coronavirus. We are asking that you consider assisting in this endeavor.

In order to avoid each of us going out into the public, Kay Etzler has agreed to do the shopping and delivery, so monetary donations are requested in order to cover the items needed. Checks may be sent to the church office or you may donate through the church's electronic system with a note that designates your donation for this purpose. Or you could, of course, donate directly to an organization(s). Please be sure to mark the memo field that it's a donation to the Coronavirus Community Fund.

Also, if you've any of the needed items in your closets or garage and are not using them (especially the urgent items listed below), please donate them. Or if you are out shopping for your family, please think about buying a bit extra for those in need. Kay (301-514-8293, etzler11405@gmail.com) would be happy to make arrangements to pick up any donations and get them to the appropriate organization.

Here are the items various organizations are seeking.

Religious Coalition - Family Shelter Program

Pouched rice (microwaveable)
Canned beans
Canned meat
Canned fruit
Canned veggies
Canned soup
Powered milk
Cereal
Oatmeal
Peanut butter
Honey/jam
Instant coffee/tea
Nuts such as mixed nuts
Packaged microwaveable meals
Snack bars, dried fruit granola bars
Children liquid tylenol
Adult tylenol

Frederick Rescue Mission - Plastic, cardboard, or styrofoam meal containers
(We're sending the church's supply.)

Housing Authority

Diapers
Wipes
Baby formula
Computers for kids to do homework
Grocery store gift cards

Urgent Items Needed by all organizations

Masks
Surgical gloves
Hand sanitizer
Clorox wipes
Toilet paper

These are challenging times but we know that God is with us, and that this shall also pass. Our faith in the living God, and God's love for us will guide us through it all. Your love and support for our community is an expression of our love for God and one another.

Thank you for anything you could do to help in these uncertain times.

In Christ's Service,
Pastor Eliezer
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