

### Greetings Oldtown Members and Friends...

The leaves are turning, the days are getting shorter, and the nights are getting a bit crispy. We all know what this means...Yup! Fall is definitely here and soon cold weather and the holidays will be rushing upon us. The Missions Ministry has been busy seeking input from our Church community and surrounding town leaders to see what the most needs are for the upcoming cold weather and holidays. The needs are greater this year than ever before. So, to try and accommodate as many of these needs as possible, we have planned on several events. **PLEASE** know that they are all **optional**...and in **no way** should you feel compelled to take part in all of them. We are addressing these needs a bit early this year so that you can plan accordingly for that which you choose to participate in. If you have any questions about any of these, please do not hesitate to ask any of the Missions Ministry members...Deanne Bellinger, Dolores Charron, Kris Collins, Janice Dumont, Jim Fennell, Jeannette Galvin, Leah Moynihan, Janice Tondravi, Cindi Barkley, or the Pastor.

### Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>...Undie Sunday

This month we are asking for socks, hats, and mittens/gloves



## Nov. 1st – Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>...Coat Drive



We will be collecting any size, and any kind of winter jackets/coats, for anyone...men, women, and children. They can be new or gently used. Gently worn coats should be clean and wearable, and have no holes in them. Thank you.

# Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>...Stockings for the Homeless

We will be collecting the following items...

- Sample size toiletries (deodorant, tooth brush/paste, shampoo, etc)
- Socks
- Small 1<sup>st</sup> aid kits
- Rain gear (ponchos, hats)



#### $Nov.1^{st} - 28^{th}...SERRV$

SERRV...For those that do not know what SERRV is...It is a fair trade 501(c)3 nonprofit retailer founded in 1949. It empowers marginalized global artisans to break the cycle of poverty. Its mission is to eradicate poverty wherever it resides by providing opportunity and support to artisans and farmers worldwide. They sell everything from jewelry, to home décor, to kitchenware, to outdoor décor, to food. Although we will not be holding a fair sale this year, catalogs will be available for online orders. A 20% donation will be made to our church for each order. For any questions, please see or email Cindi Barkley at clbarkley5@gmail.com.



# Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>...Adopt a Family



Adopt-a-Family...If this is where your heart leads you, a family can be selected for you. You would then be responsible for the whole family. You may also have a friend or relative join you in this priceless gift of love. Please call or email Cindi Barkley with requests or questions.

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## Nov.28<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>...Advent Season...Reverse Advent Food Collection

Reverse Advent Calendar...Due to the overwhelming response of last year's collection, we will be doing it again this year. For those of you unaware of what this is, well it's easy. You will receive a calendar with suggested items listed for each day. Each day you add that, or some other, item into a box. At the end of the collection, these boxes will be delivered to various families, food banks and or shelters. Do not feel that you have to add something *every day*. Donate what you can comfortably do. If you have any questions see or email Kris Collins at...kcollins015@gmail.com

