

Augustana Lutheran 2018 Social Ministry Report

In 2018, Augustanans devoted both time and financial resources to social ministry efforts. The Augustana Council voted to distribute the \$1500 social ministry budget in ways that both advance the cause of an integrated society and support the ongoing social ministry work of Augustana. Importantly, the Council continued our commitment to support organizations that combat racism through financial support on an annual basis.

Respectfully submitted by D. Walker

Luke 6:31

Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Direct Action

Augustana Food Pantry

- Supported Augustana and Santa Maria families
- Supported homeless neighbors

Martha's Table, McKenna's Wagon

- **12 trips** to deliver meals to the DC homeless
- Over 20 members volunteering



SOME Trot for Hunger 5k

- This was our 5th year to bring a team to the event!
 - In 2014 we raised: \$ 2,750.00
 - In 2015 we raised: \$ 2,385.00
 - In 2016 we raised: \$ 3,786.59
 - In 2017 we raised: \$ 2,620.20
 - In 2018 we raised: \$ 4,280.00
- Total raised by the Augies: **\$ 15,771.79**



Christmas Visit to the Lutheran Church in El Salvador

Denise Walker visited Bishop Gomez and members of the Resurrection Lutheran Church in El Salvador to deliver friendship, handwritten notes from the congregation, and a small monetary gift.



March On!

- Participated in the 2nd Annual Women's March

Letter writing campaign for Amnesty International

- Sent **letters** for "Write for Rights"



Celebrating our 100th Anniversary!

Blessing Bags!

Joy Stancil led the effort to prepare 100 "blessing bags" for the congregation to give to the homeless in our midst!



God's Work, Our Hands- ELCA Day of Service

Made 100+ sandwiches for Martha's Table

Education

Hosted Monthly "Great Decision" Foreign Policy Talks

Hosted El Salvador committee presentation of Synod work in El Salvador

Financial Support

- Equal Justice Initiative (\$200)
- NAACP Legal Defense Fund (\$200)
- Southern Poverty Law Center (\$200)
- Martha's Table (\$150)
- N Street Village (\$150)
- 350.org (\$150 pledge)
- National Religious Campaign Against Torture (\$100)
- Extraordinary Lutheran Ministries (\$100)
- Write for Rights Campaign (\$100 for postage and supplies)
- Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (\$100)
- DC Books to Prisoners postage donation (\$50)



Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' Matthew 25: 34-40

THANK YOU, AUGUSTANA!

