

PEACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND FOOD PANTRY

Every Thursday morning beginning at 9:30 a.m. our church helps those in our community who need food assistance or financial help with their electric or natural gas bill. Peace church normally helps four (4) families with \$25.00 towards their bill only if they have a disconnect notice. We assist them to help prevent disconnection. A pledge is made on that day to the power or gas company and then a check is mailed directly to the company within five days. The needy family can receive this assistance only once in a 12-month period.

The offering that Peace receives on the first Sunday of the month during communion is what funds this vital mission to the community.

On any given Thursday we receive 30-50 phone calls during the hours of 9:30 a.m. to noon. Unfortunately, we cannot even begin to help each caller.

During this time people in need also come to our church to receive food from our food pantry. Depending on the size of the family we give anywhere from 2-4 bags of groceries. On average we assist four to six families a week. At the end of the month that amount normally doubles.

We do assist needy families not only from Spotsylvania County but the counties of Stafford, King George, Caroline and the city of Fredericksburg. These families can receive food assistance from our church once every six months.

Thank you to all who contribute to this community mission.