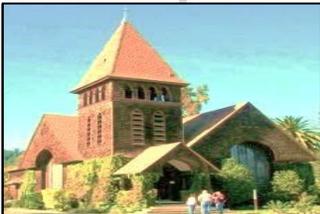


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Food Pantry in the Pandemic

Our church just completed the Food Pantry for the month of June. The entire giveaway and protocol is totally different! The clients receive their food outside instead of coming in the building and making their own food choices. We now bag the food and bring it outside. We make up 3 different bags for them. One is called a “complete” that includes the staples such as: cans of fruit, vegetables, soup, tomato sauce, tuna or peanut butter, a pasta, beans, rice, and cereal. Then there’s a bag that has fresh fruits and vegetables, snacks, desserts, granola bars and bread. The third bag has dairy, (eggs, yogurt, butter, cheese, milk) and meats. We make up the bags ahead and make at least 40 per kind of bag, thus about 120 bags a week. We get food from Grocery Outlet, Ray’s, Dahlia and Sage, Panaderia el Palomo bakery, St. Vincent DePaul in Santa Rosa and the Redwood Food Bank. Special thanks go out to: Mimi & Roy, Jeanette, Carolyn, Shelby, Andy, Jim, Linda, Scott, Jerry, Steve, John and Polly.



Beautiful Creations by the Members of Project Linus

By Jean Craig (Pictures Below)



HELPING CHILDREN IN NEED

At Project Linus, a non-profit organization, we provide homemade blankets to children in need. Our blankets are lovingly made by adults and children from all walks of life and many different sources.

By Louise Graddy (Pictured Below)



Polly Lile (Pictured Below)



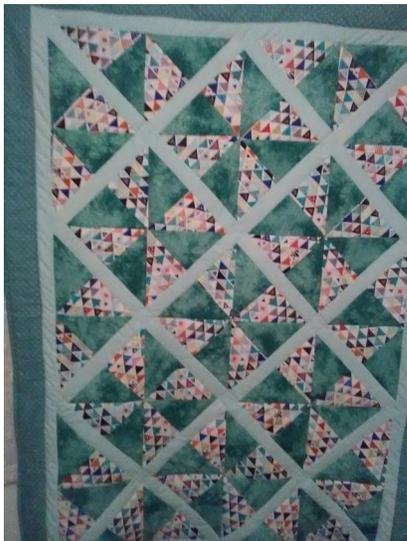
Project Linus Mission

FIRST provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers."

SECOND Provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

Beautiful Creations by the Member of Project Linus

By Marilyn Michelon
(Pictured Below and to the right)



By Holly Werner
(Pictured Below)



By Madelyn Ketchum (Pictured Above)

Project ♥ Linus



**Providing
Security
Through
Blankets**

Starfish

By Lavonne Blucher-Nameny

Are you a starfish? Do you know a starfish?

Many of you have probably heard the story about the little kid walking on the beach where hundreds of starfish had washed up and were going to die. The kid was picking them up, one at a time, and throwing them back into the sea. An adult walking by, said “What are you doing? It won’t make any difference.” The little kid picked up another starfish, tossed it into the sea, and said “Well it makes a difference to that one.”

Are you a starfish? We are living in stressful times. Has someone unexpectedly reached out to you? Left a plate of cookies on your doorstep? Called you to see how you are doing? Dropped a flower off for you? Come by for a social distancing visit? Greeted you on the street (even though they are a complete stranger)? Seen you struggling with the gas pump at the station and stepped up to help you? Staged an outdoor impromptu concert that brings a smile to your face? You **are** a starfish and someone **has** made a difference to you.

Do you know a starfish? We are living in stressful times. Are you doing something (no matter how big or small) for someone else? Have you supported those who provide services to you but were unable to work during the shutdown? Have you dropped books off for someone who is home alone? Have you called someone who is living alone or in pain? Have you sent someone a card or email? Have you tossed the newspaper from the driveway to the front door of an elderly person? Have you delivered a meal to someone who is shut in? Have you run an errand for someone? You **know** a starfish, and you **have** made a difference to that person.

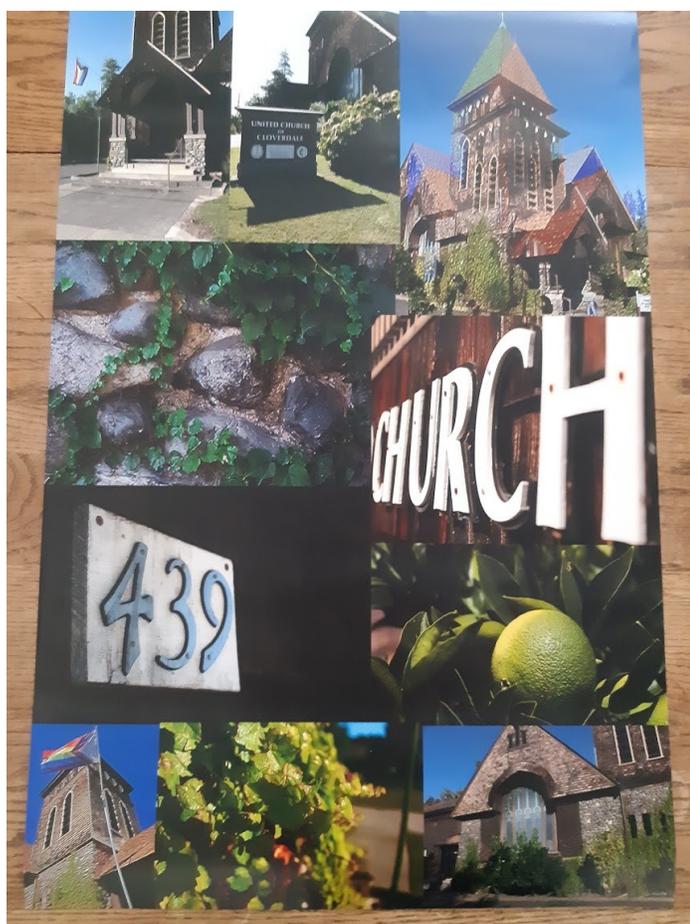
At the end of the day, realize that we are **all** starfish. And thank God for those who step in to make a difference.



**CHS Advanced Digital Photography
Class, 2019-20.**

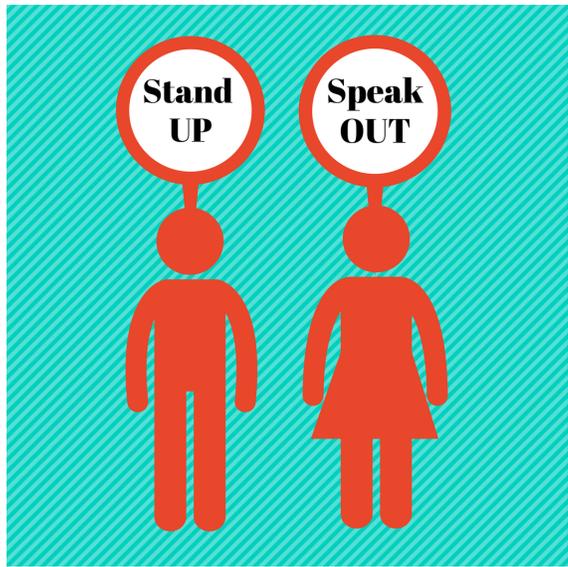
This is a photo gifted to us by Emma Johnson, Neidi Calvillo, Yunuen Sanchez, Paula Toledo, Caren Soto, and Haylie Kiefer.

My Picture doesn't do it justice, much Better in Person, will be getting it framed and hung in one of the church buildings. Jilloni, Church Administrator



Happy Anniversaries

- Joe Rogers & Cyril Colonius 7/1
- Charlotte & Kenyon Lewis 7/1
- Cindy & Gus Wolter 7/8
- Lavonne & Jim Nameny 7/9
- Polly & Gene Lile 7/15
- Louise & Don Graddy 7/17
- Bev & Carl Westenberg 7/26



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| Ethel Muttart | 7/1 | Sophia O’Gorman | 7/1 |
| Janice Timm | 7/1 | Laurie Kneeland | 7/4 |
| Mimi Domke | 7/7 | David Randolph | 7/7 |
| Bill Lambert | 7/10 | Jules Volper | 7/10 |
| Jenessa Wheeler | 7/10 | Bill Corzine | 7/13 |
| Barbara Goepel | 7/13 | Andy Grose | 7/16 |
| Camille Volper | 7/30 | Jone Wesele | 7/31 |
| CoRIna Hendrickson | 7/31 | | |