



Who We Are & What We Do

Luther Memorial's Social Ministry Committee oversees the Social Ministry Funding Plan, organizes Change for Change, approves requests for the Good Shepherd Fund, and informs the congregation of ways to minister to those in need in our community.

Stock the Pantry



Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry



The Food Pantry does not usually provide spices and seasonings. We are, however, asking

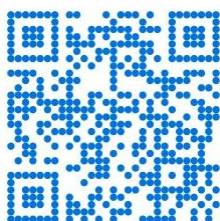
for donations of basic condiments such as seasoning salt, pepper, garlic salt, onion salt, and cinnamon.

Donate!

You can donate to any Social Ministry charities LMLC supports by scanning one of the codes with your smart phone and designating where you want your money to go.



PayPal Scan Code



Venmo Scan Code

New Year, New Social Ministry Funding

In 2026, Social Ministry will be focusing on four special appeal projects. There will be one appeal each quarter. They are Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry, Micah's Closet, To Our House, and the Christmas Project for Valley Interfaith Childcare Center.

To facilitate contributions, we are placing green, self-sealing envelopes near the offering basket. Checks or money can be put in an envelope, sealed and you can check on the label which appeal your contribution is funding. While we are emphasizing a project each quarter, you may contribute at any time during the year.

☐ Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry
☐ Micah's Closet
☐ To Our House
☐ Christmas Outreach

Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry – First Quarter

For January, February, and March, we will be discussing the importance of our local Food Pantry and how Luther Memorial helps the hunger insecure in our community. Currently we purchase all the soap for the Pantry. In 2025, we donated 5,070 bars of soap. We also purchased 710 boxes of Jiffy Cornbread mix and 275 cans of Cream of Mushroom soup for the Pantry's annual holiday bags. As a bonus, we had enough money donated to purchase 246 large cans of chicken when the Pantry ran low last winter. To continue these projects, we would like to raise \$5,000 during the quarter. Luther Memorial has 11 members from the congregation that regularly volunteer at the Pantry.

From the Pantry - Thanksgiving Gratitude

A customer said before they shopped, she wanted to let us know how much she appreciated the Thanksgiving dinner. She said, "We wouldn't have had Thanksgiving dinner without you all. I hope you know how much that means to us."

Another customer, with a family of four, has been walking a mile after work to take a bus to the closest stop to the food pantry and then trying to get home with her groceries, also on the bus. She said her family absolutely would not have a Thanksgiving dinner without the food pantry's Thanksgiving bag and turkey/ham.

WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE.