

Recap of Mrs. Tara's on Dec 13th

The weather was cold and crisp, the coffee was hot and tasty, and we enjoyed fellowship before starting work. God blessed us with everybody being kept safe coming and going, and for that we are most grateful. Lots of good things occurred on Saturday. We got to welcome Mrs. Cyndi to her first Second Saturday, and we welcomed back Tim, who helped us with painting.

I want to recognize all the folks who worked in preparation for this event, and we need to do a better job of calling that out because a good bit of work goes in prior to Second Saturday and then following Second Saturday as well.

- David Klinkworth of Duck Wash LLC did a soft wash on the house areas that we were going to be painting.
- Rusty Delaney of Delaney's Plumbing wasn't able to join us on Saturday because of emergencies — and I guess that's just the way it works for plumbers in the winter — but he did get to help put in a permanent repair to a patch that Mrs. Tara's son had put in previously.
- Chapen Smothers of Smothers Detailing was able to join us and did a great job on Mrs. Tara's car.
- We also had Micah Logan of ALM Electric.
- Mrs. Joan always prepares Christ-centered arts and crafts for the kids that show up, and we were grateful to have Mrs. Anna join her yesterday.
- And of course, we cannot forget the food preparation by our cook team — Chuck F., who cooked the chili and the cornbread, and Jay K., who helped serve it up to the crew.

We're just going to make note that Chuck is developing a following because folks come just to eat lunch — which is great, and we love having the fellowship with folks who can't make it to serve but want to come and hang out with us for a bit. That chili he made was delicious, but that cornbread... yeah, that cornbread. Two kinds: butter, and butter with jalapeños for a little spicy kick!

Mrs. Tara joined us for lunch as well as Kelli F. of the Lutheran Disaster Response team. Kelli is a partner of Second Saturday and is helping the folks who have Hurricane Helene damage.

We got so much done and it was great. For every project that we take on for Second Saturday, we need somebody to lead the effort. We have a lot of the same folks stepping up to do that, and we appreciate that Roy, Marv, Kerry, Mose, Joseph, Chris, Micah, and Ray consistently step forward.

We also appreciate our paint crew and thank Jessica for packing up the paint kits as well as the rest of the materials. And we thank Brenda and Cyndi for stepping in and helping paint and clean — they did a great job! It was so great to have Mrs. Carol back on the job site helping as she always does with anything that needs doing.

We also want to thank the younger people who show up — they help with some of the work and then do arts and crafts with Mrs. Joan and Mrs. Anna. Chamblee, Zoe, Chloe.

We appreciate the young men who show up as well, including Grady, Harrison, and Cooper and Connor.