

*"Changing One Life at a Time"*

# HIGH DESERT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## *REUBEN'S RAMBLINGS*

April 2020,  
Issue 4

We are truly living in interesting and uncertain times. I can't remember anything like it; the closest thing to this in my lifetime was 9-11. For the first time in my eighteen years of ministry, we didn't have normal worship services. We even had church in Grants and Socorro when we had 1-2 feet of snow several years ago. A couple weeks ago on March 22 during a devotional, I read the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm. The fourth line in the King James Version states: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." In a way we are walking through the valley of death right now with the shadow of the coronavirus hanging over us.

As we approach Holy Week and remember the events such as the Lord's Supper, Jesus' arrest, trial and crucifixion, have you ever thought that the disciples were going through a similar valley as we are today? Think about it; things were going along well. Jesus was performing miracle after miracle, healing people, preaching outstanding sermons; His popularity was so great that people came out to wave palm branches and shout "Hosanna,

blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord" as He rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. They had a great supper on Thursday night; Jesus even washed their feet.

And then it all fell apart; out of nowhere Jesus tells them that one of them will betray Him and that Peter will deny knowing Him before the night is over. They could sense the tension and agony in Jesus' face and voice as they headed for the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus went off alone to pray. Then the soldiers arrived with Judas and arrested Jesus. The disciples fled as Jesus was led away for a hasty and illegal trial before the religious leaders. They stood at a safe distance as Jesus was before Pontius Pilate and as He was crucified. They hid behind locked doors in fear of also being arrested and crucified. This sounds like an early version of social distancing.

And then when the women went to the tomb on Easter morning, they found the stone rolled away,

the grave empty. The angels tell them that He is Risen; Jesus is alive! They rush back and tell the disciples who having gone through the dark valley of the past few days still had doubts. But as they are hiding behind locked doors Jesus appears in their midst and all doubts are removed. All fear is gone; their faith is restored; they go on to turn the world upside down with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Let us never forget that the Risen Lord is the hope of the world.

A little girl had been attending a Sunday School session where each student had made a little plaque with the words "Have Faith in God" as a motto. She boarded the bus to take her back home, and as the bus was starting to move, she realized that she had forgotten her plaque with the motto. So, she jumped from her seat and ran towards the bus driver shouting: "Stop the bus! I've lost my 'Faith in God.'" During these difficult times, have you lost your faith in God? I hope and pray not. Remember God is in control. Pray, don't panic. God Bless.

*Reuben*

# CORONAVIRUS

The truth is this a scary time. The information on Covid-19 is constantly being updated, the advice frequently changes, and, frankly, the advice varies depending on the source. While this feels scary, there are things that we can do to keep us safe and relieve our concern. This involves understanding what we know about the virus and doing the things that will lessen our risk of contracting the virus.

First of all, experts inform us that Covid-19 is a strain of the corona virus, the virus that causes 1/3 of the common colds. Like dogs have different breeds, the corona virus has different strains. The reason that we are concerned about this strain (Covid-19) is that it spreads easily and has a high rate of mortality for people over 60 or who have serious health conditions (heart disease, lung disease, immune compromise, etc.). Healthy people under 60 can get cold like symptoms and spread the disease but are unlikely to get seriously ill. Additionally, we have no medication to treat Covid-19 and no vaccine to prevent it.

Since the short-term picture is fuzzy and changing, it helps us to have a longer-term view. While a serious infection like Covid-19 is rare, the medical community has experience managing a serious infection like this, and we have successfully survived past events with simple action and patience. Additionally, we are currently learning from other countries as to what does and what does not work.

Previous experience, as well as, current experience from other countries is consistent. The disease spreads by direct contact with other people, so:

- Handwashing. That is critical to break the infection cycle. Hands touch the environment, get contaminated and spread the virus to you when you touch your face, especially your eyes, nose or mouth. This is probably the most common way that the disease spreads from person to person.
- The virus gets onto common surfaces like doorknobs and counters by water droplets from coughing or sneezing or wiping drainage from runny noses. You can be infected in two ways: when you touch contaminated surfaces and then touch the sensitive areas of the face, or someone sneezes/coughs on you (especially if they are within 6 feet of you). Either route of contact could result in an infection.
- Using social distancing, that is avoiding unnecessary contact with others, we can greatly diminish the spread of the disease. Proper social distance means staying 6 feet away from others when in public and minimizing contact with surfaces that are potentially contaminated. Obviously, that is not always possible, so wash your hands frequently, especially in public.
- Obviously, if you are sick with cold like symptoms, stay away from others, preferably at home. Phone your doctor's office for advice. Go to the emergency room if you have a fever and are short of breath, or you doctor advises you to.
- More information on preventing the spread of the Covid-19 virus can be found on the CDC website ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)) and click on the button titled "Learn More About COVID-19".

The key to protecting yourself and others is understanding how the disease is spread. Wash your hands frequently. When in public, be conscience of touching potentially contaminated surfaces. Don't touch your face until you wash your hands. Stay home if you are sick. Support official health recommendations that focus on social distancing. Yes, it is a nuisance to have schools closed and public events canceled, but large events accelerate the spread of the disease. All of these measures are designed to protect vulnerable people. But that is too clinical. In reality, we are trying to protect our parents, our grandparents, and our older friends and neighbors.

While no one can say how long this will last or guarantee our protection from Covid-19, we will get through this with knowledge, patience and understanding. Yes, our belief/trust in God and prayer can help us weather this storm. I am confident that God is looking out for us. Oh, yes, in case you missed it, wash your hands and practice social distancing.

*Dr Bruce Packard*

## **PRAY FOR YOUR PASTOR**

“Your Pastor has never pastored a church through a pandemic before.

When he opens, people are going to say he should have closed. When he closes, people are going to say he should have opened.

When he does not shake hands, people are going to say he needs more faith.  
When he shakes hands, people are going to say he is foolish.

He’s going to make some difficult decisions to protect the flock considering everything from your spiritual growth to legal liabilities that you aren’t even thinking about.

Every Pastor believes that they pastor the most amazing people.

Remember this:

No one wants things to go well at church as much as your Pastor(s). Your Pastor needs your prayers and support right now.”

~Copied

#Pray for your Pastor  
#Pray for your church  
#Pray for your community

**JOHN 14:27 NIV  
PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU;  
MY PEACE I GIVE YOU. I DO  
NOT GIVE TO YOU AS THE  
WORLD GIVES. DO NOT LET  
YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED  
AND DO NOT BE AFRAID.**

**Women With Purpose presents  
Baby Shower in a Red Bag!**



**Long before Candace Gould became a NM Senator, she had a vision—to help that tiny segment of the population often overlooked by the average person; girls aging out of the foster care system. An alarming number of these 18-year-olds are ill-equipped to suddenly handle life on their own, much less to deal with the complication of being pregnant. Senator Gould’s wish is to help prepare these young ladies to start out with hope and dignity. WWP has partnered again to offer these mothers-to-be a supply of new-baby necessities: baby quilts exquisitely handmade by Paula Bradley and baby caps lovingly hand-knit by Doris Steiger. WWP members supply sippy cups, bibs, wash cloths, a special book to read to infants, and other miscellaneous but appreciated items. Why don’t you come join us in this worthy outreach! Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m. at Wanda’s and Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the church.**

**POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



**NURSING HOME MUSIC MINISTRY**

**This new ministry started by Dave and Sue Duranty (along with Arlene Westgaard) has been well received by the residents of the nursing homes. Sometimes we don’t know how to give in Christ’s name, but this is an easy and fun way. Picture: L to R Dave Duranty, Bruce Packard, Arlene Westgaard, Sue Duranty, Lone, Trixie MacLay, & Lydia Rocks-Macqueen.**

**MY FAVORITE SCRIPTURE SERIES - SHARED BY SUE DURANTY**

**2 CORINTHIANS 5:17**

**Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.**

**“This scripture is telling me that when Christ comes into our life, we will never be the same and we are a new creation. 2 Corinthians 5:17 became one of my favorite scriptures because at the time I took my walk to the altar and asked Jesus Christ to be my savior, I was not a happy person. After I read this scripture, I was reminded that I was not merely turning over a new leaf; but I was beginning a new life.”**

*Sue Duranty*



**Our “Angel Among Us” this month goes out to Earl Hester!** Where to begin? Earl’s patience and overwhelming dedication to our church on a daily basis is all encompassing. For months Earl has been part of the planning, rebuilding and even physical labor for the new church. Earl’s background is in Mechanical Engineering. There isn’t anything he wouldn’t be willing to do for our church. Earl grew up in the Methodist church, where he played the piano and sang, and surely got his dedication to Christ. He and his wife Dottie were involved with NOMADS, a part of the Methodist church, for 18 years. They took on three yearly projects for a 3-week span, living in their RV and volunteering their time. God has blessed us to have them in our church. **THANK YOU, EARL!**



### **How Would You Answer This Question? By Judy Ballard**

A couple of weeks ago, on my home from High Desert’s Ash Wednesday service, I stopped for a quick errand at Walmart’s Super Market. On my way into the store I met up with a teenager wrestling a line of carts through the same door. We both stopped and I was about to motion him ahead of me. Instead he spoke to me. “I’ve seen people come in here all day with that mark on their forehead. What does it mean?”

What a golden opportunity! Instinctively I knew I couldn’t let it go by. “Today is Ash Wednesday, it’s a Christian observance. Today starts the Season of Lent. It also marks the 40 days preceding Easter when we celebrate the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.”

He thanked me for the explanation and the tiny moment blinked out. I have thought of that encounter MANY times since then, always with regret I didn’t offer more, even a sentence or two. Perhaps my answer was sufficient, but I have to wonder if I could have been a better witness when I had the chance.

**How would you have answered that question?**

### **FROM THE EDITOR:**

Hope you all like the new additions to the Newsletter! I would love your feedback and ideas especially book reviews and favorite scriptures”; so please send them to me. You can contact me at [generations4counseling@hotmail.com](mailto:generations4counseling@hotmail.com) or phone 505-331-8894. As you can see above, we now have “Angels Among Us”. We have so many at HDUMC, it is so hard to choose, but choose I will, monthly. Please let me know of members who you feel are angels. Make sure you read the newsletter to find out who is next.

*Francie Larsen*

# NEW NAME, NEW PANTRY

## “High Desert United Methodist Church Pantry”

### HOW WE GOT HERE

Just a little history about HDUMC’s pantry. Bob Guido was the pastor who started our church in about 2003. One of our members, Carol Nesbitt (deceased) worked at the Storehouse West and knew there was such a need in Rio Rancho for people needing food. She approached Pastor Bob Guido about starting a Pantry at our church. The first space was provided by Mark Conkling in an extra office in the building and not part of the church space. In the beginning Roadrunner Food Bank gave us the food at no cost, and Lael Wellington, Ella Mares and Lila ran the Pantry at the start. Ron Komatz says that when he was overseeing the Pantry they would get to go to Roadrunner and pick out the food, which he says was enjoyable. There have been quite a few managers for the pantry, including Ron and his wife Jane, Sheri Moreno, Lael Wellington, Sheila Arce, Ken Dewbre, and now John Sanford and Mike Fawcett. We have been blessed to have these dedicated members. Ron Komatz says that HDUMC has always contributed to make the Pantry work through generous contributions, and “the people really needed the food and it was a great joy to all of us to provide the service”. Our current manager Mike Fawcett said, “I have always lived a life of service and this is a continuation of that, but most of all I like working with people”. **A special thank you goes out to all of the volunteers, past and present, who helps keep the Pantry running at a high level!**



The Bible says we are to care for the poor, which involves feeding the hungry. God is pictured as feeding the hungry. “He has filled the hungry with good things,” Mary sings (Luke 1:53). “He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry,” the psalmist sings (Psalm 146:7).

# NEW MEXICO FEED THE KIDS

IT IS HEARTBREAKING TO THINK ABOUT A CHILD LEAVING SCHOOL ON A FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND FACING THE WEEKEND NOT KNOWING IF FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE. UNFORTNATELY, THAT IS REALITY FOR OVER 200 STUDENTS IN RIO RANCHO. WE AT HIGH DESERT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ARE TRYING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AS WE PROVIDE SNACK PACKS OF EASILY OPENED FOOD ITEMS TO HELP STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIONAL NEEDS. SO FAR THIS SCHOOL YEAR, WE HAVE DELIVERED 500 SNACK PACKS TO TWO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE PLAN TO DELIVER AT LEAST 250 MORE AND WILL INCLUDE A HIGH SCHOOL AS WELL. FEED NEW MEXICO KIDS IS THE FOCUS OF OUR SECOND MILE GIVING FOR APRIL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT FOR THIS WORTHWHILE ENDEAVOR. -- WANDA GOLSON



Assisting the Principal of Vista Grande Elementary School, Christine Prescott, and Angel Brown, School Counselor load the boxes of over 230 food bags for the children, are Wanda & Gordan Golsan, Del Larsen, and John Samford. Thank you to everyone who helped on this project!

## EASTER STORY

Do you ever wonder or have questions about the Resurrection? What does the Resurrection mean to you? Here's a story about what the Resurrection meant to one little boy. On Palm Sunday, a Sunday School teacher gave each child in her class a plastic egg and asked them to put something in it that reminded them of the Resurrection, and then to bring it back the next Sunday on Easter. On Easter morning the teacher took each child's egg in turn, opening it, and commenting on what the child had placed in it and how it applied to the Resurrection.

The first egg contained a tiny flower. "What a lovely sign of new life that springs forth at Easter," she said. Another egg contained a picture of Christ, and the teacher spoke of that. The next one had a small nail in it representing the nails of the cross. Another one had a round pebble that represented the stone that the guards had placed at the entrance of the tomb.

But the teacher was speechless when she opened the last egg – it was empty. After a moment of silence, young Tommy spoke up: "That's my egg. It's empty just like the tomb was empty, and that means new life for everyone." What a lesson. That young man knew more about theology and the basic Christian belief than most of us. As the Bible says – "A little child shall lead them."

The tomb was empty! As a matter of fact there are three tombs in Jerusalem today that scholars believe might have been the tomb where Jesus' body was placed after the crucifixion, but they are all still empty; there is no body. So, how would you define resurrection? Well, for a starter, our word resurrection comes from a Latin word meaning rising from the dead or returning to life. It also means that the grave is not our final resting place. It means that death was defeated once and for all by Jesus when He came out of that cold, dark tomb on Easter morning. In 1 Corinthians 15:54-55, the Apostle Paul states that death has been swallowed up in victory. Paul then makes that famous statement: "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

Because of Jesus we no longer fear death realizing that there is hope beyond the grave. Also because of the empty tomb we, as believers, through the amazing grace of God have been freed from the grip of sin in our life and have the opportunity to have a personal relationship with our Lord and Savior. God so loved us that He sent His only Begotten Son to die on an old wooden cross for us and to be raised from the grave three days later. That my friends is the meaning of the Resurrection; the meaning of Easter! Hear the Good News: He is risen! He is risen indeed! Thanks be to God!

**EASTER SERVICES ARE UNKNOWN AT THE TIME OF PRINT,  
SO WE WILL KEEP IN TOUCH TO UPDATE YOU**

# April 2020

## HIGH DESERT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>ATTN Subject to Change</b>		<b>Please call before attending event</b>	WWP 10 AM at Wanda Golsan's Bible Study 6:30 PM (Canceled) Choir Practice 6:30 PM		Food Pantry 11 AM to 2 PM	
5 Palm Sunday	6	7 Bible Study 1:30 PM WWP 6 PM at Church	8 Passover Begins Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM	9	10 Good Friday "Service of Nails" 12 Noon	11
12 Easter Sunday Sunrise Svc 9 & 11AM Worship	13	14 Bible Study 1:30 PM Team Ministry Mtg 6 PM	15 Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM	16 Food Pantry 1 to 4	17	18
19 9 & 11AM Worship 10 AM SS Ballgame	20	21 Food Pantry 9 to Noon Bible Study 1:30 PM	22 Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM	23 Articles Due to Francie	24 Emmaus Gathering at Rio Rancho UMC 6 PM	25
26 9 & 11AM Worship 10 AM SS	27	28 Bible Study 1:30 PM	29 Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM	30		

# Lay Care Ministry

**You are invited to call, write or visit our friends in Christ who are homebound or have health issues, and offer your love, support and encouragement.**

<b>Ella Jerome</b>	813 Banco Court, Bernalillo, NM 87004	206-4894
<b>Lorra Garner</b>	Skies Health and Rehab, 9450 McMahon NW, Albuquerque, NM 87114	
<b>Norvin Schuman</b>	382 Nicklaus Dr. SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	891-0526
<b>Grover Donahoe</b>	766 Hood Way SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	220-3839
<b>Rod &amp; Louise Warpole</b>	600 First Street NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	994-9339
<b>Mae Washburn</b>	Revenna Assisted Living, 3051 Twin Oaks Dr NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120	
<b>Phil Pittman</b>	1000 Riverview Dr SE, #242, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	301-7704
<b>Glen Nesbitt</b>	Advantage Asst Living, 1729 Wellspring Ave SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	
<b>Sheila Arce</b>	4910 Tramway Redge Dr NE #316, Albq., NM 87111	
<b>Jeanne Buchly</b>	The Retreat, 4100 Jackie Rd SE, Rio Rancho NM 87124	
<b>Barbara Gatzweiler</b>	4102 Malaga Court SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124	994-1964



Jan & Warren Herrington	4/11/1986
Barry & Mary Ann Birch	4/15/1967
John & LaNae Thomas	4/20/2017
David & Lorraine Zapf	4/24/1999
Bob Mercaldi & Joy Prentice	4/27/1986
Kevin & Katie Fitzgerald	4/27/2007
Steve & Gloria Lamoreux	4/28/1973



# Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 235

Matt.4:1-11

## The Temptation of Jesus

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HIGH DESERT  
HOLY FASTING  
JESUS HUNGRY  
LIVE KINGDOMS  
LORD MOUNTAIN  
MOUTH NIGHTS  
POINT SHOWED  
SATAN SPLENDOR  
SERVE STONES  
SPIRIT TEMPTER  
STAND THROW  
STRIKE WORSHIP  
TEST WORLD  
WORD WRITTEN

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

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----- Psalm 86

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### Weekly Bible Study: A study subject for everyone!

Presently three groups meet during the week: **Adult Bible Study** (aka Adult Sunday School) comes together at 10:00 a.m. between Services. **Tuesday afternoon Bible Study** meets at 1:30 p.m. to study the OT Women of the Bible. **Wednesday Eve Bible Study** is studying the Acts of the Apostles; the time will coincide with choir practice.

9 AM Service					
Date	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist	Altar Flowers	Refreshments
April 5 <sup>th</sup>	John & Glynda Samford	Bryce & Sara Hendricks			
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ken & Wanda Schierling	Earl and Dottie Hester			
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Gordon & Wanda Golsan	Ken & Sandy Dewbre			
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dave & Sue Duranty	Mike & Sandie Fawcett		Harold & Judy Sampson	
BACK UP	Del & Francie Larsen	Lael Wellington & Trixie MacLay			
		<b>11 AM Service</b>			
April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Holly Benson	Bonnie Korngiebel Janet Greger	Ron Komatz		
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Gloria Graham	Karen Malinka Rose Meyer	Chuck Schimke		
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Nancy Perry-Sebrell	Lisa Isenberger Ron Komatz	Bonnie Korniebel		
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Rose Meyer	Gloria Graham Nancy Perry-Sebrell	Lisa Isenberger		

# THANK YOU

**A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE ABOVE 9AM USHERS AND GREETERS THIS PAST MONTH!**

**ALSO, SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:**

**11 AM Ushers and Greeters:** Nancy Perry Sebrell, Holly Benson, Gloria Graham, Janet Greger, Bonnie Korngiebel, Rose Meyer, Lisa Isenberger, Karen Malinka, Ron Komatz

**Liturgists:** Jana Siverts, Sandy Dewbre, Barry Birch, Keith Witt, Jane Butel, John Kottenbrook, Lisa Isenberger, Ron Komatz, Bonnie Korngiebel, Janet Greger

**Flowers:** Charles & Jenny Kottenbrook, Harold & Judy Sampson,

**Refreshments:** Pamela Lee, Dave & Sue Duranty, Warren & Jan Herrigton

# WHAT'S GOIN' ON

**Wesley Change for Charity** is on the back table during worship service, waiting to be fed with your change or dollars. This allows High Desert to assist individuals, groups, and organizations with emergency financial needs.

**APR. 2020 collection for Meadowlark Methodist Food Pantry:** Items are targeted for you to purchase to help replenish the shelves. Featured this month is: **Canned Meat**. Please place these items in the green barrel found by the back tables. Contact Mike Fawcett at 715-456-3044 for info.

**Recycling Sunday Bulletins**—leave in recycling box by the back table; Plastic bags—leave in container marked for plastic bags; Aluminum cans—place in container marked Homeless Ministry. **Don't forget we have glass Recycling: Glass items normally disposed of in your trash. Bring to church and leave in the class/storage room on the counter.**

**Condiments & Small Toiletries** If you save the soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc. from staying in motels or hotels, please bring them to church along with the ketchup, taco sauce, mustard and any "take-out" condiments. The Rainbow Girls who are collecting for the Rio Rancho chapter of Blue Star Mothers to include in the packages they send our troops. For more information, contact Storehouse West at 892-2077.

**The Upper Room** This Daily Devotional Guide is available in regular and large print. Copies may be found Sunday mornings on the back table. Be sure to get your copy! Or read online: <http://devotional.upperroom.org/>

**UPC Labels** for two schools in Rio Rancho. There is a large jar for your labels on the back table on Sunday mornings.

**Pull Tabs** Save the pull tabs from your aluminum cans, soup cans, etc. You can put them in a Ziplock bag and leave them on the table in the back of the church. For more info call Janet Greger at 867-4832. Presently they will go to the Ronald McDonald House charity.



## Welcome New Members:

Eugene Anderson, Francie Larsen, Del Larsen, Joyce Cowles and Gary Cowles

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## HDUMC CHURCH PANTRY

We take an offering on the first Sunday of every month to benefit the Food Pantry. On Sunday, April 5th a basket will be on the back table to receive your offering. Featured collection for April is: **Canned Meat: Tuna, Chicken, Ham, etc.**

**Distribution dates for April are:**

**Friday, April 3rd at 11:00 a.m.**

**Thursday, April 16th at 1:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, April 21st at 9:00 a.m.**

**NOTICE: The Food Pantry is collecting plastic bags again!**

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