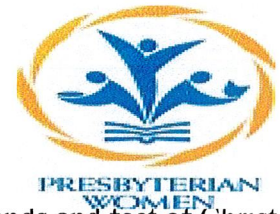


BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN **in the CONGREGATION**

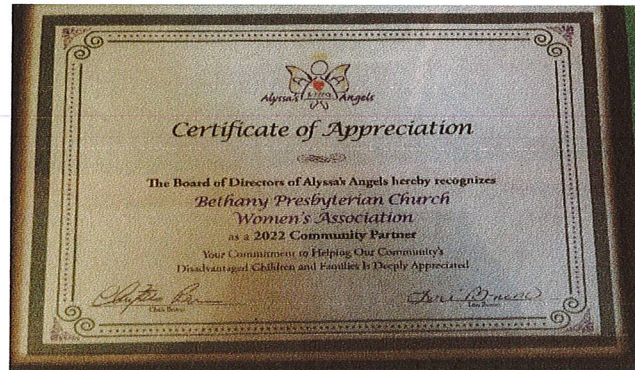


What Does Bethany Presbyterian Women Do?

Bethany Presbyterian Women understand that scripture asks us to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world. As such, Bethany Presbyterian Women provides information about justice and peace and ministry to inform mission and community-building work by nurturing faith and developing leaders.

Certificate of Appreciation:

Bethany Women received the certificate below from *The Board of Directors of Alyssa's Angels* which recognized them as follows: "Bethany Presbyterian Women's Association as a 2022 Community Partner- Your Commitment to Helping Our Community's Disadvantaged Children and Families Is Deeply Appreciated"



January Meeting and P.A.D. Project:

Our group created 120 monthly cycle kits for *Mothers in Need of Others* (MINO) at our January 10th meeting. Maria Wehrle- MINO Executive Director, helped assemble the kits with us. We are grateful for the opportunity to work with Maria and *Mothers in Need of Others*. MINO maintains a resource room of supplies for women and their infants. Over 145 agencies and more than 600 caseworkers rely on MINO's resource room to help to their clients. This was the fourth year we have done a P.A.D. project. Many thanks to Polly McCubbin and Karen Dobbins for coordinating this vital mission project.



Women's Brunch:

During the months January, February, and March, all women and friends are invited to share fellowship at **Olympia Restaurant on the last Saturday of the month at 10:00 am.**

BPWC Budget Update:

Bethany Presbyterian Women incurred expenses in January amounting to \$438. Spending included \$208 for supplies for the PADs project, \$100 (\$50 each for two guest speakers), and

\$130 given to the Pastoral Care Deacons to purchase Valentine and Easter cards for the home bound.

Income received was \$2350. I want to note that pledge letters were mailed out to all the women in the congregation on January 10. As this update is prepared on January 25, we have already received \$2350 in donations! The women of Bethany are true angels who possess unselfish and loving hearts. The dollars received will allow us to continue our good works in the name of the Lord.

Pledge Letter Mailing:

After our January meeting, women prepared *Pledge Letters* to be mailed out to the Bethany Women in the Congregation. We are very grateful for the generous donations from the wonderful women of Bethany. These donations have supported the mission of the church at home and worldwide which include the following organizations: Presbyterian Church USA: General Mission, Thank Offering, Birthday Offering, Church Women United: Least Coin Offering and General Fund, Church Worldwide Services-Blankets, Presbyterian Home, Camp Whitman Camperships, Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf & Clothing Closet, Flower City Habitat for Humanity SAWS2, Journey Home, Open Door Mission, Open Door Mission Coldwater, Jennifer House, Foodlink, Allyssa's Angels, and ROC Recovery Fitness and other Special Projects. Many thanks to Eileen Sengillo for assisting us with providing the labels and envelopes and Linda Lamb for coordinating the assembly of *Pledge Letters* for distribution.

January 2022- December 2022 Annual Report:

Karen Bolinger wrote the 2022 Annual Report for the Congregation Meeting with the assistance of Linda Lamb and Beth Thomsen.

Afghan Mission Project:

Five completed afghans and two lap robes were delivered on January 17th to the Open Door Mission.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 10:00 am (Large Hall)

The topic for our meeting will be Journey Home- A Place of Compassion and Peace

Tracey Jagula, Executive Director will share how Journey Home embraces loved ones on their final journey by offering physical, emotional, and spiritual care. This care has been given by a dedicated team of volunteers, nurses and an all-volunteer board.



SAVE THE DATE: Bethany Women's Retreat

On Saturday, April 15th at 9:30 am all women and friends are invited to our retreat, *Wonderfull World- Where Women Explore God's Wonder and Love*. Last year we traveled to North America, Asia, Antarctica, and Africa. This year we travel to Europe, Australia, and South America. We will begin registration in March (No cost). Get your passports ready!

Building Caring Relationships: Any woman currently active or inactive with BPWC and would like to be added to the *Bethany Presbyterian Women in the Congregation Communication Distribution List* please contact Karen Bolinger- 585-227-2540 or kbolinger@rochester.rr.com.