



St. Columba

Ecumenical Ministries, Inc.

Loaves & Fishes

Winter 2012 / Spring 2013

“do justice...love mercy...unto the least of these...” *Micah, Matthew*

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BASKETS OF LOVE

St. Columba's annual Silent Auction and Benefit Dinner, Baskets of Love, is on Saturday, February 9, 2013 and we would LOVE to have you join us! Tickets are \$20 per person and purchasing information is available by calling Alicia at 627-6748. The event starts at 5 PM and dinner will be served at 5:30. We will have entertainment by The Strolling Silver Strings and many wonderful Baskets of Love available in our silent auction. Some of the items we have include:

- I Love This Car
- I Love That Movie
- I Love to Eat
- Wine Basket
- Pasta Night!
- Grillin' Time
- Movie Time
- Candy Basket
- Fun & Games
- Bath & Body Works
- Dog Lover's
- Grand Gourmet
- Puzzle Fun
- Book Time
- Organize Me
- Lottery Tree
- Cat Lover's
- AAA Membership
- VA Living Museum Passes
- Wine & Chocolate
- Hardware (Tools)
- Tea Basket
- Virginia Zoo Passes
- Chrysler Museum Membership
- Whole Foods
- Home Fragrances
- Assorted Picture Frames
- Abbey Road Gift Certificate
- Wreaths Basket
- Avon for Her & Him
- Plants Basket
- Freemason Abbey Gift Certificate
- California Pizza Kitchen Gift Card
- McCormick & Schmick's Gift Card
- Gordon Biersch Gift Card
- Cold Stone Creamery Gift Card
- Admirals Passes
- Champagne & More
- Sentsy 31 Bag
- Love Your Heart
- Gift Certificate Tree
- Spa Day
- Popcorn Basket
- Chocolate Basket
- Children's Basket: Fun for Anyone 2-92

We are once again blessed to have an anonymous donor offer to match all proceeds from this year's event! So please give to this cause even if you cannot attend. Simply write "auction" in the memo section of your check or note it on your PayPal contribution. Every donation, no matter how small, helps and allows us to help those who come to us in their time of need!



DONATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2012

FINANCIAL

Lafayette, Wycliffe, Bayside, Royster Memorial, Second, Knox, Great Bridge Presbyterian, PEVA, Unitarian Church, Church of the Epiphany, CCC, CVC, The Warden Foundation, SMOTJ PHI, N. Bonney, B. & R. Bertholf, B. Prince, M. Gantley, E. & N. Pollock, E. Baise, A. & H. Jensen, J. Stokley, J. Lego, P. & B. Huddy, P. & J. Lichtenstein, H. Ortiz, T. Bonney, V. Morgan, L. Johnson, J. & F. Bashara, R. & J. Major, J. & W. Klesch, A. Ashe Moody, the Schumachers, J. Ramsey, K. Coleman, S. Fudala, L. Wood Mays, T. Shelkey, F. Watkins, W. Touray, J. McRees, J. Dailey, C. & P. Miskill, T. Devlin, B. Flannery, J. & L. Clingan, J. Ashley, M. & R. Hall.

IN-KIND

Bayside, Royster Memorial, Wycliffe, Lafayette, Coleman Place, Calvin, Knox, Grace Covenant, First, Second, Third, Norfolk, Providence, Squires, Messiah Presbyterian; St. Stephens Episcopal; Community United, Norview, First United, Ghent United Methodist; Christ the King, St. Pius X Church of the Ascension Catholic; Catholic Daughters; St. Patrick's Catholic School; Enoch Baptist University Presbyterian Ministry, Laurel Avenue Church of Christ; Real Life Christian Church, Finding Refugee Ministry at Fishes of Men, Trinity Lutheran, Unitarian Church, Samaritan Outreach Ministry, Secular Franciscan Order, Priory of the Holy Isle, Pizza Hut, Crossroad Lions Club, Plaza Bakery, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Hospitality for the Homeless, Hope House Thrift Store, Norview Civic League; Wards Corner Chiropractic, Holloman & Brown, Cub Scout Pack 628, Barrett Heaven, American Heritage Girls C. Inman, J. Lego, M. Ortiz D. Stockburger, J. Stokley, M. Gantley, D. Hornick, R. Hidalgo, B. Bertholf, J. Ramsey, T. Lombardi, G. Dillon, J. Keifer, B. Prince, C. Gray, C. Johnson, W. Mallory, J. Dailey, A. Calcagny, G. Donovan, L. Wright, W. Thomas, T. Devlin, R. Cook, F. Watkins, W. Horne, A. Eidson, C. Leoane, C. Boyd, J. Biehl, I. Meagler, T. Sandifer, the Borson, P. & J. Forbes, J. Vaughan, L. McElveen, S. Copeland, L. Hunter, M. Woodhouse.



If we have inadvertently omitted you, please call Alicia at (757) 627-6748.

Welcome to Our Board

Christine Johnson is a newcomer to the Hampton roads area. She has been enjoying the beach, water and new friends since she and her husband, Phil, relocated to the area less than two years ago. Christine is employed as a Registered Nurse at Sentara Hospitals as a case manager. She is responsible for assessing and coordinating levels of care needs for hospital services. She establishes the client's personalized needs and creates individual action plans as they prepare to return to the community. Serving on the Board at St Columba is a natural complement to her passion to serve the community and advocate for the needs of the individuals living here.

Jill Keifer was born and raised in Hamburg, NY and graduated from Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA with a degree in secondary education and government. Her husband was active duty Navy for twenty years, which took them many places throughout the world. Jill has worked as a school teacher and civil service employee for the Navy Medical Department. She recently retired and now works part time for the Academy of Music in Norfolk, is on numerous non-profit boards and volunteers at the Foodbank. She has two grown sons and three grandchildren.

Day Center Volunteer Needed – Wednesdays

We have an opening on Wednesdays for a Day Center volunteer. This is an ongoing opportunity and we need an individual who can commit to most Wednesdays. The appropriate candidate should have his or her own transportation or be able to use public transportation efficiently and be available from 9 AM to at least noon, but can stay as late as 2 PM. This person will help oversee our Day Center where homeless clients take showers, receive services and meet with other professionals to address their needs. Main duties include ensuring all clients sign in using appropriate logs, distributing sandwiches, coffee cups, towels and hygiene items, and referring clients to other services in the agency. Volunteers will be provided with an orientation and all information to perform duties. Interested individuals should call Alicia at 627-6748 to schedule an interview.

Thanksgiving & Christmas Ministry

Thank you to everyone who supported our Thanksgiving ministry this year! Through the generosity of churches, individuals and community groups we were able to help 152 families with food for Thanksgiving. We are especially grateful for the continued support of Lafayette Presbyterian Church, where we sorted, packed and distributed food. Thank you also to the Norfolk Jaycees and other volunteers for their time and energy in helping us prepare the food baskets to serve 544 people this year! And thank you to the churches that supported this ministry: Community United Methodist, First United Methodist, Knox Presbyterian, Grace Covenant, Royster Memorial Presbyterian, as well as Catholic Daughters, Oceanair Elementary, and the many individuals who donated food and funds to this effort!

Our Christmas Ministry was also able to provide to many families in need this year. Thank you also to the many churches, businesses, community groups and individuals who made this possible by giving gifts for those who are less fortunate in our community. Through your help we were able to provide presents to 379 people who did not have enough to purchase presents this year. We were also able to provide food to over 50 families for a Merry Christmas dinner!

The pictures on the right are of our Thanksgiving and Christmas ministries. The top shows the Jaycees and other volunteers busily packing food baskets for our Thanksgiving ministry. The bottom two show the dozens of presents that came into our ministry and were distributed to the families in need this year. We are blessed to have such generous supporters who help us continue to reach out to those who are less fortunate, not just during the holidays, but also year round.



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Tickets available for our Fundraiser:
Saturday, February 9, 2013

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St. Columba Special Needs

Please join us for our annual Silent Auction and Benefit Dinner:



BASKETS OF LOVE



on Saturday, February 9, 2013 at 5 PM at

Bayside Presbyterian Church. Ticket purchasing information
and a list of baskets available for auction can be found on page 1.

We continue to need the follow items in our Day Center:

- Brown grocery bags
- Plastic grocery bags
- Liquid or pods laundry detergent
- Washcloths
- Toothbrushes
- Coffee
- Paper towels
- Spray deodorant
- Toilet Paper
- **Travel or sample size toothpaste, lotion, shampoo, soaps, and other small hygiene products**

We also need a **Wednesday Volunteer** in our Day Center. For more information, please visit our website at www.stcolumbaministries.com/Volunteers or contact Alicia at 627-6748.

Please donate gently used winter clothes!

Our clothing closet is in need of warm clothes for our clients who are homeless!

We need gently used coats, jeans, sweatpants, sweatshirts, hoodies, thermal underwear, hats and gloves. We also need new socks and boxers.

Donations are accepted during normal business hours: Monday – Friday 8 AM to 3 PM.
We regret that we are unable to provide pickup services for donations.