

Outreach Committee reports on upcoming activities

On Monday mornings from January through May 2008, Outreach Committee members poured countless cups of coffee and shared cookies, muffins and conversation at Cathedral Hall. At the same time, we bought and distributed 650 Tim Horton's lunch vouchers to needy people in our community. We gave out many pairs of mittens, socks and tuques during the winter.

Due to budget restraint, we will not distribute the lunch vouchers during June, July or August. We will still offer coffee, treats and conversation to our guests on Monday mornings. We also frequently drive clients to and from the Fredericton Food Bank – most do not have their own transportation.

We plan to have picnics on the cathedral lawn for children from the Doone Street area who will tour our church building this summer. We will also continue delivering your kind donations weekly to the Food Bank – 23 tote boxes have been filled so far in 2008.

The Fredericton Community Kitchen and its clients appreciate the regular help from the cathedral family. Four teams of volunteers cook, serve and do dishes for the evening meal every Saturday year-round. Most Outreach Committee members are also on these teams.

In late fall, we will again organize the Christmas Angel tree project to provide toys to local needy children. All of these programs fit into our mission statement: *“open our hearts to people in need.”*

Thank you to the cathedral family for your ongoing support. If anyone would like to take part in the Monday morning gatherings or donate home baking or knitted goods, please contact a member of the Outreach Committee.

Outreach Committee members are Doug Milander (chair), Wayne Phillips, Don MacPherson, Julie Haynes, Jamie Yeamans, Penny Ericson, Vanda Rideout and Mark Carr. We meet monthly.