

COMBINED REPORTS

June & July 2026

HOSPITALITY - Pat Madyda and Donna McCutcheon

Only event in July was the Welcome Back breakfast for Fr. Joseph and Desiree. Otherwise, they were very quiet months for the Hospitality Committee.

Sincerely,
Pat Madyda
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Christian Women's Fellowship - Carol Gargon

CWF is on summer break. Preps are being finalized for 26-27 year. Next meeting is in October.

OUTREACH: Barbara Davis and Megarie van Sickle

The Outreach team continued to serve the community and beyond during the months of June and July with scholarships, food distribution, the Creative Design group's handcrafted shawls and blankets, and Venezuelan earthquake relief.

The Outreach team's scholarship program for ten low-income students pursuing technical and vocational studies continued this summer. We have now awarded eight out of the ten, \$1,000. scholarships each so far this year thanks to the initial screening assistance of Suncoast Technical College's financial aid counselors.

We received recommendations from Suncoast counselors to identify three more needy recipients in June and July. One is currently enrolled in the Auto Technician program and was awarded a scholarship in late July. The others recommended are one who will be entering the licensed practical nursing program and another who will start the Automotive Technician program, both in the next semester. As these two students won't begin enrollment until August 10, we will contact them at that time to review their eligibility.

If awarded, these two scholarships will then finish out our total scholarship budget of \$10,000. for ten students. We received a \$5,000. anonymous parishioner donation this year in addition to the \$5,000. already in the Outreach annual budget.

Food distribution continued throughout June and July with All Faiths Food Bank on the first and third Wednesdays, coordinated by John Buntel. Panera and Publix overstock bread

and pastry items are delivered each Monday to Children First's Project Headstart classes in Venice by Megarie van Sickel. Grace Gagliardi oversees and schedules the two store pickups and deliveries of our food donations to the Center of Hope.

Our eight Good Shepherd Habitat for Humanity volunteers, led by Dave Beall, will be resuming their home building work next fall.

The mini-grant program is reviewing worthy local charities for this year's funding. This program has a budget of \$2,000. for four charities to receive \$500. each. John Pearson is assisting with recommendations for potential recipients.

The Creative Designs ministry, under the direction of Barbara Johnson, continued their weekly Friday meetings making prayer shawls and lap blankets for parishioners and those in care facilities in our community.

The Outreach team also donated \$1,000. to the Episcopal Disaster Relief Fund in support of the earthquake victims in Venezuela.

The Outreach team is grateful to the parish for its support and donations which make all these contributions to the community possible.

Megarie van Sickel
Barbara Davis

PARISH CARE - Elaine Hedrick

Grief Recovery – Deacon Rich

Nothing to report.

Mailbox Ministry – Megarie van Sickel

June 2026

Birthday cards sent - 28

Anniversary - 16

Get well – 2

July 2026

Birthday cards sent - 27

Anniversary - 8

Get well – 2

Sympathy - 1

Comfort Meals – Barbara Rao

No food distributions in June & July 2026.

Eucharistic Visits – Deacon Rich

During June-July 2026: 19 Visitations with 41 Communicants. Year to Date: 51 Visitations with 123 Communicants.

PRAYER TEAM – EK Beall/Liz Bosch

The total number of new prayer requests for the months of June and July 2026 was 13. The total number of UPDATED prayer requests was 11, for a total of 24 for June and July.

Our Prayer Support Team continues to faithfully pray daily for those in need, as well as contacting them throughout the month with phone calls, emails, or personal visits. We also offer Intercessory Prayer during our 10:00 a.m. Sunday Services for those who wish prayer for themselves or for their loved ones, It is truly a privilege to pray for our Good Shepherd family, to offer our comfort and support in their times of need.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS – Elaine Hedrick

As Parish Nurse, I participated in a total of 4 blood pressure screenings at the Community Dinner and on Sundays after 10:00 am Service in June and July 2026. I am working with Carol Gargon for Health and Wellness presentations in Christian Women's Fellowship for year 2027. I have 2 parishioners who express interest in possibly restarting the Health and Wellness Committee in the fall of 2026 to prepare for a Health Fair in 2027. I also have various parishioners express interest in restarting the Balance Class in the fall.

TRANSPORTATION – Mark Higgins

We did 20 trips in June, and 22 trips in July 2026.

PARISH CARE MEETING REPORT – Pam Clark

The Parish Care Commission did not meet in June, July, and will not meet in August, but will meet on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 10:00 am, at the church, where we will review and begin preparations for the upcoming seasonal church year..

Pam Clark

Parish Commission Chair

SPIRITUAL FORMATION - Libby Chinman

Wow Welcome August!!

For those of us that were here over the summer, we kept the air conditioning running!!

Women's Bible Study, Goodfellas and Community dinners kept us busy.

We are looking forward to planning our fall studies and programs.

Elizabeth Chinman

8/4/2026

WELCOME - Bob Sawyer

The months of June and July were uneventful. Our greeters and ushers faithfully served at all Sunday worship services.

Bob Sawyer

08/04/2026