

Deacons Report

The Deacons had three in-person meetings in 2020: January, February and November. Most of our communication for 2020, was done via text or phone calls.

When COVID hit, we reached out to the greater community to see where we could provide support for those in need. The St. Andrews Food Pantry was in need of some items to keep their shelves stocked, so we purchased the needed items. The Deacons have made it a point to keep in contact with them and to help assist if a need arises. To date, they are doing well with their resources. We also reached out to the Sackets Harbor School to see if they were in need of assistance with their Backpack Program. At that time, they were willing to accept donations or assistance shopping. From April, to present day, the Deacons have provided additional assistance where it has been needed. Shopping trips, obtaining donated locally grown fresh vegetables, and putting menus together, to name a few. The school district and the families are very appreciative of the assistance the Deacons have provided. We communicate on a weekly basis to see if any assistance is needed.

This year in place of in-store shopping, the Jubilee Shop purchased Aldi gift cards along with a nice box of candy. The gifts were appreciated by the families that received them.

We provided six camperships over the summer. The campers were delighted with the donation for their virtual summer camp experience.

The Deacons have sent out notes to church members to let them know we are here if they need us and that we are in this together.

Our Offering collected this year are as follows:

One Great Hour of Sharing - \$915.00

Peace Offering - \$301.00. \$75.00 of this was donated to the Hay Memorial Library.

Christmas Joy \$95.00. Entire amount to the Presbytery.

I would like to thank the individuals that are on this committee, as well as Judy Fiorentino. You all are such kind, caring people that are always willing to help where you can.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan L. Chawgo
Deacon Moderator