## **VOLUNTEER FOR IMMANUEL'S HYPOTHERMIA SHELTER!**

As we seek to be a "Matthew 25 congregation," Session voted to open our doors as a hypothermia prevention shelter this winter in partnership with FACETS. We will host approximately forty of our neighbors without homes each night, providing a warm dinner, snack, breakfast and to-go sack lunches each day. Our goal as a church will be to welcome each guest as though we are welcoming Christ himself into our midst.

We need YOU to make our hosting week a success! You'll find a list of volunteer opportunities below. You'll find Sign-Up Genius links in last Friday's E-Presence; you're welcome to call the church office (M-F, 9:00am-5:00pm) if you need assistance signing up. ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST BE TRAINED AT IMMANUEL IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE! Please give special consideration to being an overnight innkeeper if you're a night-owl!

- 6:00-8:00 a.m VOLUNTEERS (Team Captain, Scott Fisher)
- 4:30-7:30 p.m. VOLUNTEERS (Team Captain, Teri Bennett)
- 7:30-10:30 p.m. VOLUNTEERS (Team Captain, <u>Heather Law-rence</u>)
- **OVERNIGHT INNKEEPERS** (Team Captain, Lee Rainie)
- TRANSPORTATION (Team Captain Bob Hunter)
- STORE VOLUNTEERS (Team Captain, Nancy Stansberry)
- FACILITY SET-UP DAY (Saturday, Dec. 16, 9:30-11:30 a.m.)
- ♦ FOOD (<u>Sue Henry</u>)
- ENTERTAINMENT (Flynn Bucy and Cherie Mulder)

## **VOLUNTEER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

(All volunteers must attend one training to participate):

- \* 11:20 a.m. on Sun., Dec. 3rd (first Sunday of Advent)
- \* 11:20 a.m. on Sun., Dec. 17th

**Want to volunteer but cannot make it to the three remaining training dates?** Reach out to <u>Pastor Katie</u> and we may be able to schedule an additional training.





"The Stewardship Swing -- Galvanized in Giving"



On Stewardship Sunday, November 12, Immanuelites were found dancing their way through the aisles of the church to gaily and gladly deliver their pledge commitments for the coming year to the offering bowl at the communion table. At Pastor Aaron's encouragement to move with gladness and celebration in bringing pledge cards forward, we formed conga lines, swirled partners and allowed the happiness of our hearts to be expressed in free movement.

Thank you to all who, after thoughtful and close consideration, made their stewardship intentions for the year known. Seeing the overflowing offering bowl of pledge cards was a strong visual reminder of the congregation's desire to serve others, to connect deeply in faith, and to do God's work in the community and in the world.

Immanuel is now fully staffed and is rolling out an exciting array of programs, challenges, ministries and educational opportunities made possible by the congregation's financial support through stewardship. Our time and our treasure are the structure for the programs we offer, manifesting our faith in the world.

If you have not yet made your pledge, rest assured that it is never too late! You can still find your rhythm in the Stewardship Swing! Pledge cards may be mailed to the church or dropped in the offering plate, preferably by December 31 for our Finance Committee to plan appropriately.

**Questions?** Reach out to Kim Pacala, kpacala@verizon.net, or Dick Curry, <u>rca1817@aol.com</u>, Stewardship committee chairs.

Blessings to all!

## Stewardship Committee:

Kim Pacala, Co-Chair, Dick Curry, Co-Chair, Kathy Bagden, Elizabeth Hefferon, Bill Huyler, Mike Mackensen, Hal Van Gieson, Ann Winston