

Piecemaker's Committee Annual Report --- May 2023

Chair and Members: Polly Stimson and Marilyn DuPont, co-chairs; Sarah Kelly, Molly McClintock, Irene Peterson, Jennifer Thomas, Robin Cooley, Karen Holstein, Kendra McAllister

Purpose of the Committee: provide quilts and artistic quilted items for the comfort and benefit of congregants, and the beautification of our interior building.

Achievements: In fulfilling the purpose of the committee, as stated above, we made and distributed quilts to congregants who were ill, and in perceived need as noted by the minister, and various individuals. In addition, we completed two auction offerings, plus made a quilt for raffle in a separate auction. These resulted in significant monetary benefit to the coffers. We made a personalized quilt gift to Lisa Evanylo at the time of her retirement. We provide blankets and quilts, whenever possible, to distribute to children at the time of the Child Dedication Ceremony.

Lessons Learned: Storage space continues to be an on-going problem, particularly with anonymous donations made. We attempt to keep our supplies and tools organized, but it's a moving target.

Expenses for the year to date: Our budget for the year is \$200, and we have made fabric purchases using approximately \$120.

How does the committee work to further our mission and vision? The committee's work is entirely directed to our purpose as noted, primarily for the loving care of our community. We provide a small group experience, and welcome new members with all levels of skills.

Goals for the coming year and how do they further our mission and vision: We have discussed providing quilts for the Linus Project and other worthy charities outside of our four walls, and we will refine this goal as time goes on. At this time, we continue to work with the minister for in-house tangible care.