Mission Day, Sunday, February 27, 2022

We are so happy and blessed to be back on the St. Philip campus for Mission Day! Things are still a bit complicated by covid, but we have the opportunity to come together to focus on Christ's call to help those in need and reach out to the world around us. We hope everybody will take part in at least one activity. Wear your St. Philip T-shirt (along with your mask) to church!

Drive-Thru Details:

Bring Donations for Our Mission Partners

Three of our mission partners have let us know about current needs, and your donations can help fulfill them. You can bring donations for any of the following:

Mission Partner: **The Beacon**—a mission in downtown Houston serving people experiencing homelessness.

The need: Clients come to The Beacon to shower and have their clothes laundered; they need something to change into while their clothes are being cleaned.

What you can bring to donate: New or gently used **medical scrubs**, which serve as a temporary change of clothes for clients. Inexpensive new scrubs can be found on Amazon, Walmart, Target, and other places, as well as shops in the Medical Center. Men's or women's S, M, or L sizes and any colors are welcome.

Mission Partner: Christian Community Service Center (CCSC)—a mission formed by numerous Houston churches to serve people in need

The need: Clients served by CCSC's Emergency Services often lack basic hygiene items; CCSC provides these items along with other emergency support.

What you can bring to donate: Any of the following **toiletries**

15 oz. bottles of shampoo and/or conditioner Adult and children's toothbrushes Toothpaste Deodorant

Mission Partner: Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

The need: The Dean of Students at Austin Seminary shared that in these difficult times, some of the students are food insecure; they skip meals and/or eat poorly in order to afford their education. You can help provide food and compassion to these students, our future faith leaders.

What you can bring to donate: **Grocery gift cards** (preferably HEB, which is the closest large grocery to the seminary campus, but Kroger, Target, etc., would also be welcome). Cards in any amount are fine, but the \$25 denomination may be most useful.

On Mission Day Sunday, you can drop off your donations in either of two ways:

- 1) Drive through the porte-couchere between 9:30 and 10:40 a.m., and a mission committee volunteer will pick up your items from your car
- 2) Bring your items to the Gathering Area between 9:40 and 11:00, or right after 11:00 worship; there will be a Mission Committee volunteer and a designated collection bin for your donations.

For anyone who will not be able to be at St. Philip on Sunday but would still like to donate, there will be a bonus drive-through on Saturday, February 26, from 10-11:30. Volunteers will be available to pick up your donations on the back-side driveway along the old education rooms, where previous mission drive-thrus have been.