



# Guide to Participation

MINISTRY FAIR 2023

AUGUST 20 & 27

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BUILDING & GROUNDS, COMMUNITY CARE, FELLOWSHIP,  
FINANCE, & OUTREACH

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# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

On behalf of the Staff and Vestry of the Church of the Good Samaritan, we invite all participants in our Church family to consider offering their gifts and talents to the service of Jesus Christ and this Parish through the various ministries carried out by our Church. This is a diverse Parish, but we are all one in the Body of Christ. It requires each of our unique contributions to support our Church's ministry in the world.

## **Important notes about the ministries in this guide:**

1. At the Ministry Fair, there will be sign-up sheets available for those ministries that require scheduling or that use contact lists to keep participants informed about the details of that ministry. Those ministries are indicated by an asterisk (\*). As always, you may stay informed about the ministries with or without signup sheets by checking out our weekly E-Newsletter *GoodNews from GoodSam*, Sunday announcements, or the News & Events section on our website at [www.goodsamknox.org](http://www.goodsamknox.org).
2. If you have been a long-time participant for any of the ministries that require sign-ups, there is **NO NEED TO SIGN UP AGAIN**. It is assumed you will continue in that ministry even if you don't sign-up during the Ministry Fair. If, on the other hand, you wish to stop participating in that ministry, please contact the church office, or the contact person for that specific ministry.



# AUGUST 20, 2023

*The Focus: Worship & Formation*

## WORSHIP

Supporting and participating in services

### \*Acolytes

**Martha Terrell:** 10:30am service, [marthamt@charter.net](mailto:marthamt@charter.net)

**Beverly Guiler:** 8:15am service, [msg354blueangel@att.net](mailto:msg354blueangel@att.net)

Good Samaritan Acolytes are youth and adults in grades three and up who participate in the sacramental ministry by serving as crucifers, torchbearers, and banner bearers.

Newcomers are welcome. Acolytes serve approximately once every 4-6 weeks. *Training date TBD.*

### \*Adult Choir

**Freddie Brabson**

**Director of Music & Liturgy,** [freddie@goodsamknox.org](mailto:freddie@goodsamknox.org)

The Adult Choir sings at the 10:30 service on Sundays from August through May, and at other occasional programs and special liturgies, leading the congregation in song and offering music from diverse styles and traditions. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:00pm.

### \*Altar Guild & Linen Guild

**Terry Scarlett,** [zscarlett7904@comcast.net](mailto:zscarlett7904@comcast.net)

Altar Guild members work in teams to prepare the church for all worship services, including baptisms, funerals, and weddings. Team members are given duties to either (1) arrange the church and altar for Sunday services; (2) clean and set out Eucharistic vessels between the two Sunday services; or (3) remove and clean items following the late Sunday service. Special tasks may also be assigned. Team members usually serve once every 4-5 weeks. All are welcome to come and share in this essential and rewarding ministry. Training and instructional materials will be available.

Linen Guild members clean and press the linens that are used during the Eucharistic services. A quarterly schedule is prepared and distributed, with individual assignments

for linen duties occurring once every 4-6 weeks. Linens can be picked up after Sunday's late worship service and returned during the following week. *Training date TBD and instructional guides will be provided at that time.*

## **\*Audio-Visual Ministry**

**Freddie Brabson**

**Director of Music & Liturgy, [freddie@goodsamknox.org](mailto:freddie@goodsamknox.org)**

The Audio-Visual Ministry is now an essential part of our worship and communications. The AV team supports worship through the real-time management of the sound system and connects us to the wider community through livestreaming of services and special events. A level of comfort with audio technology and computers is desirable, and training is also provided. *Training date TBD.*

## **\*Eucharistic Ministers**

**The Rev. Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)**

**Lisa Webb – scheduler, [office@goodsamknox.org](mailto:office@goodsamknox.org)**

Eucharistic Ministers are trained adults that assist the priests during services by serving wine during communion. This is a licensed ministry and training is provided by our clergy. Prayerful consideration before entering this ministry is encouraged. 8:15am EM's serve approximately once a month. 10:30am EM's serve approximately once every 4-6 weeks. *Training date TBD.*

## **\*Flower Guild**

**Michelle Bales, [shellybales@yahoo.com](mailto:shellybales@yahoo.com)**

Members arrange the altar flowers and any other special flowers in the church for worship. Members generally arrange flowers on Saturday morning at approximately 9:00am for about an hour. On Sunday following the 10:30am service, a team re-arranges the altar flowers in small vases to be given to parishioners who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries. Occasionally these small vases are taken to shut-ins or to hospitals. Anyone with an interest in flowers and arranging is encouraged to join this special ministry. Guild members work in teams and are usually assigned to one Sunday a month. NOTE: The Flower Delivery Team delivers flowers, not the Flower Guild. Please see the Flower Delivery entry under the Community Care heading for more information about that ministry.

## **\*Greeters**

**Lisa Webb, scheduler, [office@goodsamknox.org](mailto:office@goodsamknox.org)**

Our Greeters warmly welcome newcomers and parishioners to worship services and encourage newcomers and visitors to fill out visitor cards or sign the visitor book. After the service, they seek out and interact with newcomers welcoming them to our community. *Training will be on September 10 after the late service.*

## **\*Intercessors**

**The Rev. Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)**

**Lisa Webb – scheduler, [office@goodsamknox.org](mailto:office@goodsamknox.org)**

Intercessors offer the Prayers of the People during either the Holy Eucharist Rite I or Rite II service. Training and guidance are provided. Intercessors serve approximately every other month at both the early and late services. *Training will be September 17 after the late service.*

## **\*Lectors**

**The Rev. Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)**

**Lisa Webb – scheduler, [office@goodsamknox.org](mailto:office@goodsamknox.org)**

Lectors read the appointed lessons during worship services. At the 8:15am service, Lectors read all appointed lessons. At the 10:30am service, Lectors are appointed to read only one lesson. Special training and guidance are provided. Lectors serve approximately once every 8-12 weeks. *Training will be September 17 after the late service.*

## **\*Oblation Bearers**

**Bonnie Honaker, [bmhonaker@yahoo.com](mailto:bmhonaker@yahoo.com)**

"What is an oblation bearer?" you may ask. That is easy to answer. At the late service only, two oblation bearers bring forth the bread and wine to be consecrated for Holy Eucharist. Adults, families, and older children (with a parent) are encouraged to be a part of this ministry. If you are interested, please sign up during the Ministry Fair. *There is no training, other than the first time you may be paired with a current oblation bearer.*

## **\*Ushers**

**Zane Scarlett**, [zscarlett7904@comcast.net](mailto:zscarlett7904@comcast.net)

Ushers help our Greeters welcome parishioners and visitors to worship, distribute bulletins, collect the offering, direct an orderly flow to the altar during communion, and help during emergencies. *Training will be on September 10 after the late service.*

## **FORMATION**

Education for All Ages

### **ADULT FORMATION**

#### **Coffee & Conversation – A Class for Parents**

**Sinead Doherty**, [sinead@goodsamknox.org](mailto:sinead@goodsamknox.org)

This self-led group is open to parents and guardians of children or youth, who would like to gather to discuss faith, life and parenting while walking alongside others who are on similar journeys. This group will gather in the Youth Suite during formation hour, for coffee, conversation prompts, and fellowship! Contact Sinead Doherty if you have questions about this class. No need to sign-up; just show up at 9:30 am on Sundays!

#### **Henslee Hall Class**

**The Rev. Elizabeth Farr**, [elizabeth@goodsamknox.org](mailto:elizabeth@goodsamknox.org)

**The Rev. Cal Calhoun**, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)

**The Rev. Mary Davis**, [davisteam@comcast.net](mailto:davisteam@comcast.net)

We will kick off in September with four weeks on Hospitality facilitated by Mother Elizabeth and the Reverend Mary Davis (September 10, 17, 24, and October 1). As this community embarks on a Capital Campaign and dreams with the Holy Spirit about how we are called to steward our resources and physical spaces - what do Scripture and our Tradition say about how we are to welcome and show care to one another? And how might that help us dream about our spaces and our giving?

And then join us on Sundays, October 15, 22, 29, and November 12, as Mother Elizabeth, Father Cal, and others facilitate "Our Money Story: Remember - Release - Reimagine - Restore." Stewardship Season and the Capital Campaign offer us an opportunity "to discover and tell our money stories in light of God's money story of liberation and justice." This will be an intergenerational offering; our children and youth will also follow this series which "encourages us to transform our stewardship practices

into more full expressions of who we are and what we believe. . . Money and possessions are one of the most common topics in scripture, and Jesus talked about money more than faith and prayer. Our money story, therefore, is a spiritual story."

*Note: There is no need to sign up for any of our Adult Formation Classes. Just show up!*

## **Lectionary Sunday School Class**

**Zane Scarlett, [zscarlett7904@comcast.net](mailto:zscarlett7904@comcast.net)**

The Bible is a living document, kept alive by our understanding and putting into practice its teachings. The lectionary class takes a closer look through insightful discussion of that Sunday's lectionary readings. In a completely discussion format, discover what the readings meant to their original readers and what they mean to us today. This class is lay-led and meets in the church library from 9:30 – 10:15am each Sunday. Everyone is welcome to join in at any time.

## **Newcomers Class**

**The Rev. Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)**

Calling all Newcomers - and when we think about pandemic time and how long it has been since we had a formal Newcomers class, this includes many of you, even those who have been through the Inquirers Class and Confirmation / Reception! The Newcomers class will meet with Father Cal in Henslee Hall for four weeks - September 10, 17, 24, and October 1. This is an opportunity to build relationships with a cohort of people who are also "Newcomers" and to learn and ask questions about Good Sam and the wider Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion of which Good Sam is a part. Come join us!

## **\*Children's Programs**

**Erin Keck, Children's Christian Education Director, [erin@goodsamknox.org](mailto:erin@goodsamknox.org)**

### **Leaders & Adult Helpers**

Children's Rotation Formation - 9:30-10:15

We need both leaders and adult "helpers" for children's formation. You can serve as little as 2 weeks (1 rotation) or as many weeks as you would like! No pressure to come up with plans or activities- we just need your presence and love. Areas you may work in include computers, games, Legos, arts and crafts, or drama. This ministry is a wonderful chance to connect with some of our youngest Good Samaritans.



## Children's Chapel Leaders

After the gospel reading during late service - This ministry involves leading or assisting an activity with children & youth during the late service. There is a bulletin & story provided for you, and you will have a partner. This ministry can be done once a month or once every few months are you are available. Children's chapel lasts roughly 15 minutes and is a quicker way to get involved with our young parishioners.

## **\*Youth Programs**

Sinead Doherty, Youth Minister, [sinead@goodsamknox.org](mailto:sinead@goodsamknox.org)

### **Youth Programs - Volunteers**

Our youth group is a thriving program filled with inquisitive, bright, creative young people!

We have opportunities to help in a variety of ways, whether assisting in the Sunday morning formation time or joining our youth after church for youth lunches, or even assisting with special events like off-site service projects or fellowship events!

We have Club 45 - a monthly gathering of 4th & 5th graders, Youth Group - 6-12th graders who meet 1-3 times a month, Sunday morning formation with 6-12th graders (9:30am-10:15am) and lots of other one-time ways to connect (offer up a talent like teaching a craft or baking, bring a meal for a youth lunch, lend us a pool or backyard for a fellowship event, help us during a service project, and more!)

We also take annual mission trips, and our youth benefit greatly from diverse adults chaperoning those trips and sharing wisdom back and forth between the generations!

Maybe you would like to help with one of our annual fundraisers like the casserole sale or Christmas Alternative Gift Market or help with the online Silent Auction.

Whether you are interested in a weekly commitment, or just want to periodically engage more fully with the amazing youth in our parish, I would love to connect and find a way to fit you into our program! Contact me at [sinead@goodsamknox.org](mailto:sinead@goodsamknox.org).

## Other Formation Opportunities

### **\*Men's Bible Study**

Ed Hochnedel, [edhoch1944@yahoo.com](mailto:edhoch1944@yahoo.com)

The Men's Bible Study group is gearing back up after being side-lined during the Covid Pandemic. The group plans to meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm (start date to be announced). You do not have to sign up to be a part of this Bible study; feel free to join us at any time. *However*, signing up will help us gauge interest in this study group and organize for our weekly studies. We will begin our study together by reading The Heart of it All by The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells, Vicar of St Martin-in-the-Fields, London. This book study will last 6-8 weeks. Plans are in the works for the weeks following that book study.

### **\*Tuesday Morning Healing Service & Bible/Book Study**

The Rev. Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)

The Rev. Elizabeth Farr, [elizabeth@goodsamknox.org](mailto:elizabeth@goodsamknox.org)

The Tuesday Morning Holy Eucharist & Healing Service begins at 10:00 am in the Chapel. After the service, a group gathers to share and study together. Sometimes they study scripture; sometimes they read a book of spiritual or religious significance. It is a warm and wonderful group of support as well as study. This class is clergy-led. Please know you may attend the service without attending the book study or vice versa.

You do not have to sign up to come to the Healing Service or Book Study. However, if you do sign-up during the Ministry Fair, your name and email address will be added to our contact list so we can send you a Zoom link each week if you prefer to participate online and not in person. We also email reminders when the Healing Service or book study needs to be cancelled.

### **\*Women's Bible Study**

The Rev. Elizabeth Farr, [elizabeth@goodsamknox.org](mailto:elizabeth@goodsamknox.org)

Facilitated by Mother Elizabeth (comma not semi colon), this group meets on Tuesdays at 5:45pm via Zoom - except for the first Tuesday of the month when we meet in person in Henslee Hall. Our first meeting will be in-person at Good Sam on Tuesday, September 5, at 5:45pm. Sign up during the Ministry Fair if you are interested. Your name and email address will be added to our contact list so we can keep you informed about this study group.



# AUGUST 27, 2023

*The Focus: Building & Grounds, Community Care, Fellowship, Finance & Outreach*

## PRAY, GIVE, SERVE

Supporting our Parish & Beyond

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

Steve Campbell, Eddie Hopps, Bill Power, *Vestry Building & Grounds Committee*

This is a ministry caring for our campus and grounds. Outside chores include weed eating, trimming trees or shrubs, or generally maintaining and beautifying the grounds, etc. Inside chores may include dusting, cleaning windows, changing light bulbs, etc. When we schedule workdays, there will be projects big and small – there is usually something for all ages. Look for notices, announcements, or emails about our regularly scheduled workdays, the occasional unscheduled project that needs attention, or specific equipment or power tools needed for special jobs and chores. Stop by our table during the Ministry Fair and let us know if you have special or heavy-duty equipment that you would be willing to provide and operate if the need arises.

### COMMUNITY CARE

Katherine Smithwick, *Vestry Community Care Committee*

#### **\*Altar Flower Delivery**

Joyce Grubb, [jtgrubbtn@mail.com](mailto:jtgrubbtn@mail.com)

Members of this ministry deliver flowers to those who are ill, in the hospital, or confined to home for extended periods. Flowers are frequently given to honor a Birthday or an Anniversary. Members of the flower guild put flowers from the Altar into smaller arrangements. Members of the delivery team usually make deliveries on Sunday after the late service or sometime Monday. Volunteers are needed; please sign up during the Ministry Fair!

## **\*Card Ministry**

Elizabeth Farr, [elizabeth@goodsamknox.org](mailto:elizabeth@goodsamknox.org)

The Card Ministry is one of connection and care. Celebrate birthdays and anniversaries in the community by sending cards. Sign-up during the Ministry Fair and you will be scheduled to help with this ministry. A bag containing cards, stamps, and a list of people to send cards to will be passed on to you when it is your scheduled time. **Please Note:** *This ministry is already scheduled through 2023. If you sign-up, a new schedule for 2024 will go out at that time, and you will be scheduled then.*

## **\*Daughters of The King**

Sharon White, [scootertsmom1@att.net](mailto:scootertsmom1@att.net)

The Daughters of The King is an Order for women. By reaffirmation of the promises made at Baptism and Confirmation, a Daughter pledges herself to a life-long program of prayer, service, and evangelism, dedicated to the spread of Christ's Kingdom and the strengthening of the spiritual life of her parish. Meetings of the Order are held quarterly. Daily prayer for the special needs of the church and its members is a focus of the Daughters. There is a short course of study that is required of prospective members. Sign up during the Ministry Fair and someone from the DOK will contact you.

## **Eucharistic Visitors**

Mother Elizabeth Farr, [elizabeth@goodsamknox.org](mailto:elizabeth@goodsamknox.org)

Elizabeth Colonna, [elizabethacolonna@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethacolonna@gmail.com)

Eucharistic Visitors (EVs) have the special joy of sharing the sacramental meal we share at the altar each week with those in the parish not able to be with us on Sunday mornings. Serving as an EV is a ministry of connection and care reminding all of us that "we who are many are one body, for we all share in one bread, one cup."

Training for this ministry has already taken place. However, stop by our table at the Ministry Fair for more information or let Mother Elizabeth or Elizabeth Colonna know of your interest.

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Sabra Parish, [ksparish@comcast.net](mailto:ksparish@comcast.net)

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a pastoral care ministry that provides prayer shawls to church members in physical or spiritual distress including grief. In addition to prayer shawls, the ministry also provides handmade neck scarves to include in Christmas

stockings for the needy and homeless. If you love to knit or crochet, join us on Sunday afternoons for fellowship, laughter, friendship, and fun as we work with our hands to create one-of-a kind spiritual gifts given to others, with love. We gather in Henslee Hall at 4:00pm every Sunday afternoons.

## **\*Funeral Reception Team**

**Fran Potter**, [psyc123@aol.com](mailto:psyc123@aol.com)

Members assist with funeral receptions by bringing food, setting up or cleaning up after the reception. You do not need to have any experience or be a good cook. You just need to be willing to contribute on short notice when you are able. Sign up during the ministry fair and Fran Potter will contact you when help is needed.

## **\*Secret Friends**

**Katherine Smithwick**, [smithwick1@knology.net](mailto:smithwick1@knology.net)

Have fun all year sending cards and little gifts as a Secret Friend to our parishioners who have suffered a loss of a friend/family member, are ill, or just need "encouragement" and cheer. All are welcome to participate, but you have to be able to "keep a secret." Time commitment varies from person to person. Sign up during the ministry fair and someone from this ministry will contact you with further information and assign you a "secret friend".

## **FELLOWSHIP**

Chris Foell, Kristen Sanders, Ashlee Schoch; Vestry Fellowship Committee

## **\*Book Group**

**Kathy Gray**, [klgray125@gmail.com](mailto:klgray125@gmail.com)

This group meets at Good Sam at 6:00pm on the 1st Thursday of each month. Each book group member brings supper for themselves. The books we read are chosen for their entertainment value and the underlying message. We are always looking for new authors to read, so please join us and share your favorite author. We hope you will join us for friendly and lively conversation. If you would like to be on the Book Group contact list, sign-up during the Ministry Fair. Alternatively, look for announcements about upcoming books and feel free to pop into one of our monthly gatherings anytime you see a book that interests you.

## **\*Coffee Hour Team**

**Denise Dubose**, [m.denise.dubose@gmail.com](mailto:m.denise.dubose@gmail.com)

This team washes cups between services and after the late service. They also wipe counter tops, keep the coffee, coffee basket liners, sweetener and creamer stocked by the pots, and brew coffee. In addition, they plate and serve cookies (that will be provided each Sunday) and put out plastic/paper cups and pitchers of water or lemonade for those that don't drink coffee. After the late service they empty the coffee pots and make sure the coffee makers are turned off. (A duty list posted in the kitchen.)  
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There are two teams - one team for the 8:15am service and one team for the 10:30am. One person from each team will be scheduled each Sunday. Please sign up during the Ministry Fair to help with this hospitality ministry. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. (Hebrews 13:2)

## **ROMEO (Really Old Men Eating Out)**

**Don White**, [whiteappraisals@att.net](mailto:whiteappraisals@att.net)

ROMEO – Really Old Men Eating Out - is an informal group of “older” (and proud of it) gentlemen who meet once a month for lunch. On occasion, they’ll even invite Good Sam women to join them! If you are interested in having lunch with this group of fun guys, look for Sunday announcements, the Good Sam weekly e-newsletter, and the News & Events section of our website for notices of scheduled lunches. You are asked to RSVP to Don White (email above) if you plan to attend lunch.

## **\*Good Sam Social Lights**

**Bonnie Honaker**, [bmhonaker@yahoo.com](mailto:bmhonaker@yahoo.com)

The Good Sam Social Lights is a group of those within our church both male and female who live alone – whether divorced, widowed, or single. We even have a few couples that join us. We would love for you to be a part of the Social Lights and we also welcome those from outside our church to join us.

The purpose of our group is to give those with similar life situations an opportunity to meet and get to know one another. Our group goes to lunch following the late service each Sunday. On occasion, we might include other activities like movies or potluck suppers or getting together to watch UT football at a member's home. If you are interested in getting advanced notice about Social Lights Sunday lunches or other activities, sign up during the Ministry Fair and you'll be added to our contact list.

## **\*Supper Club**

Mark & Karen Downing, [mkdowning9@gmail.com](mailto:mkdowning9@gmail.com)

Supper Club is a fellowship group in which members meet at each other's homes for supper throughout the year. Each member (couples, singles, or singles with significant others) will host once and will attend three other suppers during the year. This is a great way to meet members of the church and get to know them on a more personal level. Sign up during the Ministry Fair to be a part of Supper Club! The deadline to sign-up is September 15. If you don't get a chance to sign-up *during* the Ministry Fair, you can do so by emailing Mark & Karen Downing at [mkdowning9@gmail.com](mailto:mkdowning9@gmail.com).

## **FINANCE**

Grady Williams

Vestry Finance Committee

## **\*Memorial Committee**

Mary Embler, [membler55@gmail.com](mailto:membler55@gmail.com)

This committee prayerfully manages memorial gifts to the church. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every other month. Acknowledgements of memorial gifts are made by the memorial committee on behalf of the church. Please sign-up during the Ministry Fair if you are interested in being a part of this committee.

## **\*Stewardship Committee**

Cal Calhoun, [cal@goodsamknox.org](mailto:cal@goodsamknox.org)

This team is responsible for the important ministry of the pledge gathering each Fall. There is work preparation that happens year around, but especially in the Fall. There are many tasks involved and lots of gifts and talents required (other than asking for money)! The team meets on the 1st Monday of the month. Please sign-up during the Ministry Fair if you are interested in being a part of this committee.

## OUTREACH

Shawn Graham & Georgette Suggs, Vestry Outreach Committee

### **\*Bridge Refugee Services**

**Shawn Graham & Georgette Suggs, Vestry Outreach Committee temporary liaisons**

Bridge Refugee Services is a ministry of dignity, hope, and opportunity. The Good Sam Team partners with Bridge to welcome a refugee family and help them get established in and acclimated to their new home and community. Good Samaritan has been asked to sponsor a new refugee family in the near future. We will be needing lots of help with this ministry. If you would like to be a part of the Good Sam Bridge Team, please sign-up during the Ministry Fair and you'll be contacted by the coordinator when it's time to get organized.

### **Family Promise**

**Ann Backus, Bruce Haas, Drew Jeffrey, Karen Mann**

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Family Promise provides families faced with homelessness with emergency shelter and warm hospitality using existing congregations (like Good Sam) and volunteers. Unlike any other shelter in Knoxville, Family Promise assists whole families, including those with single fathers, those with boys more than 12 years old, or those with both parents and their children.

At Good Sam, we host up to four families overnight for one week each quarter of the year, providing the families dinner and accommodations. Good Sam volunteers set up the rooms for our guests, prepare and serve the dinner, spend the night, and clean up the rooms at the end of the week, including laundering the bed linens. In addition, we purchase needed supplies and gift cards for the families. Our next Family Promise Week is October 1-8. Please consider helping with this ministry when online sign-up sheet comes out. Stop by our table during the Ministry Fair to learn more.

### **\*FISH**

**Mary Ann & Sam Venable, [maryannvenable@hotmail.com](mailto:maryannvenable@hotmail.com)**

As part of a countywide church network, FISH volunteers at Good Sam feed the hungry by delivering groceries from our pantry. Currently we have big need for drivers to deliver groceries on the 4th Monday of every month. The more drivers we have, the more folks we can serve! Maps are available to help locate addresses. Please consider



signing up for this very important ministry during the Ministry Fair! Note: Sign-ups will be for drivers only. Thank you to the current FISH team that handles all aspects of taking inventory, purchasing, stocking, packing bags, taking calls, entering information of those needing groceries, and organizing the drivers delivering the groceries: Glen Anderson, Scott Mitchell, Mary Ann & Sam Venable, Katherine & Bob Smithwick, Lisa & Keith Mandrell, and Malinda Lewis.

## **Habitat for Humanity**

**Zane Scarlett, [zscarlett7904@comcast.net](mailto:zscarlett7904@comcast.net)**

Habitat for Humanity is a very personal form of Outreach for Good Samaritans. Ellis Mayfield, a former rector of Good Sam, was instrumental in bringing the Habitat project to Knoxville many years ago. Through the years, Good Sam has provided funds for and helped build at least 9 Habitat Houses. If you are interested in learning more about Habitat for Humanity, come by our table at the ministry fair. Our next build will be March 2024. There will be opportunities to sign up to help with this new build sometime after the first of the year in 2024.

## **\*Justice Knox**

**Caitlin Thrash, [starlingrising@gmail.com](mailto:starlingrising@gmail.com)**

*“And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God?” -Micah 6:8*

The Justice Knox mission is to understand problems facing the Knoxville community through person-to-person conversation, and to grow those conversations into prioritized, research-based action items. These action items are targeted and have a real impact on the lives of underserved—or not before heard—community members. Over the past seven years, we have made real progress with mental health, unfair punishments in schools, and affordable housing. And we are not done yet! We have ongoing projects to reduce gun violence in Knoxville, implement restorative practices in Knox County Schools, and decrease homelessness in our city. We do all this with the power of organized people! Come by our table during the ministry fair and sign-up if you are interested in being a part of this very important community ministry!

## **The Pillowcase Ministry**

**Benefitting Children's Hospital**

**Ann Backus**, [mombackus1@gmail.com](mailto:mombackus1@gmail.com)

Do you sew – or would like to learn to sew for a special cause? Volunteers from Good Samaritan and St. Elizabeth are making novelty pillowcases for the young patients at Children's Hospital. Whatever time you can share in making one or more pillowcases will be greatly appreciated by Children's Hospital and their patients. The pillowcases we make help to brighten the rooms of children hospitalized and once discharged will go home with them.

Stop by our table during the Ministry Fair to pick up information, instructions, and a list of the materials needed to make the pillowcases. The pillowcase design can also be found in the YouTube demonstration entitled: How to Make an Easy Tube Pillowcase by the Missouri Star Quilt Co. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MrYWCma9wgM>

For further information, contact Bernadette Renfro at 865.368.3811 or [brenfro1223@comcast.net](mailto:brenfro1223@comcast.net)

## **VMC Lunch Ministry**

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This ministry prepares and serves lunch at the Volunteer Ministry Center the 1st & 4th Wednesday of each month. Volunteers provide food items, help the coordinator in the kitchen at the VMC, and serve. Check out our table at the Ministry Fair if you want to learn more about this long-running ministry.

NOTES:

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