

## FOOD PANTRY REPORT 2009 for St. Thomas'

What is the mission: To provide food to individuals in need.

Who do we serve: We serve people who live in Iowa, primarily from Woodbury County, every Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 to noon.

How many did we serve: In 2009 2153 individuals came to the Food Pantry and they represented 7786 people in their families. While some come almost every month others, who might be between jobs, come only for a month or two. A typical package would include meat, canned vegetables, soup, pasta, rice, tomato sauce, peanut butter, cookies, milk and bread.

Where do we get our supplies: Most of our supplies come from the Food Bank and Interfaith Resources, as well as bread from Hy-Vee and generous gifts from our parishioners. The Food Bank gave us 36,929 pounds of food and supplies in 2009.

Who are the volunteers: Volunteers (from St. Thomas' and other groups) include individuals who serve each Monday and Wednesday, two or three each time, as well as eight people who bring the food from the Food Bank and stock the shelves, mostly on a weekly basis. There is a Food Pantry Board to assist our mission.

Volunteers include: Glenna Adams; Bill and Becky Conway; Jane Lucke; Leon and Lorraine Pfothenhauer; Rick Simons; Linell and Esther Moss; Wayne, Geri and Laura Campbell; Bill and Kaye Shelly; Jon Stine; Joni Miller; Cathy, Casey, Trevor and Spencer Nilson; Roxie Olson; Bill and Marilyn Thompson; Carole Walton; Greg Jones; Ed Yagel; Wally and Nancy Youds; Edwin Blackburn; Karen, Becky, Rachel and Kristi Brinck.

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