

## Social Ministry

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED! These words are still ringing in the air as I write this article. Only because of the events surrounding Easter can we shout these praises knowing for certain that Jesus suffered all that He did and that it was for you and for me! Jesus endured the punishment and pain because He knew that was God's plan and that it was God's way to give life to everyone! In today's world some people have an easier time believing this good news. There are so many in this world that are hungry, that need to be clothed, that need a home. Sometimes it is hard for them to remember the events of Easter week. They may be wondering where God is. That is where we enter the picture. In our corner of the world we can bring God's love to these people. There are always things we can do to help. That is the mission of Social Ministries. It may seem like only a small thing that we do but to the people receiving the gift it is very big! The month of March we collected cleaning/disinfecting products for Oaks Indian Mission. \$95 worth of oven cleaner, Pine Sol, Lysol and multi-purpose cleaners were delivered to the Mission. During April we have been collecting paper towels. Can you imagine how many paper towels 15 or more children go through in a short time?!?! Thirty-eight rolls of paper towels with a value of \$56.75 were delivered to the



Mission Sunday April 24. These are small items but very necessary. Thank you very much to everyone who donated items. The children at the Mission would say Wado! The new Interim Director at the Mission recently stopped in to visit with Pastor Karen and visit our church. It was nice to have Dan get acquainted with us. THE ITEMS TO BE COLLECTED DURING THE MONTH OF MAY FOR THE MISSION WILL BE TOOTHPASTE AND Q-TIPS.

The first Sunday of the month is always a special treat for the people at the Salvation Army when our ULC crew goes in to serve! They not only bring delicious food with them but also smiles and cheerfulness! And sometimes t-shirts. Always a big thank you to those who go in to cook and to others in the congregation who prepare other yummy treats. ULC is spreading God's love to the people at the Salvation Army just as they are to the Indian Mission. While we can't take things to them, we can pray, pray, pray for all the people of Ukraine at this time of fear and tragedy in their lives. Never underestimate the value of a gift whether big or small! May you be touched by and filled with God's Easter love!



Blessings, Joyce