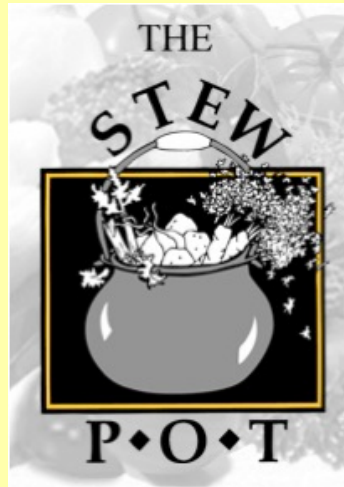



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Special Supplement to the December Stewpot Newsletter





Dear Friends of the Stewpot,

We thank you for your generous contribution to last year's Christmas Gift Program. We distributed over 150 gift packages containing blankets, knit caps, gloves, socks, rain ponchos, handwarmers and toiletries. In some cases this was the only Christmas gift they received. In every case it was both welcomed and needed.

We are continuing the tradition of the Stewpot gift program this year, and the cost will still be \$10.00 per gift package. In addition to the comfort gifts we will also be including some nutritional items this year. Staying dry, warm and fed can be difficult when you are without a home or stable living arrangement. Any additional monies will purchase emergency care items throughout the winter.

*This year the number of diners, as well as our food costs, have increased. By year's end we will have served at least **42,000** meals at an average cost of **\$2.00** per meal. If you would like to provide a lunch or two along with your Christmas gift, it will go a long way in helping the Stewpot manage the increase in food costs.*

Please know how appreciative our diners are for your caring spirit. Their smiles and "God bless you" are heartfelt and sincere. We also, thank you for being a part of this ministry with us, and wish you a warm and happy holiday with the knowledge that you are making one possible for others as well.

Have a blessed holiday,

Sincerely,

Kay Shurgar

Christmas Committee

Please send checks or money orders to:

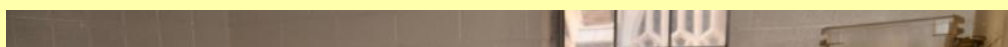
*The Stewpot, First Presbyterian Church, 800 Scott Street,
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".....as you did it to the least of these, my brethren, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40

SOCKtober

The 6th grade students at Central Arkansas Christian School were on a mission. A mission to make a difference in their community and give God all the glory! For the month of October, they challenged all of the other students in the upper grades to donate packages of socks to be collected for the homeless. They even renamed the month of October as 'SOCKtober'. With cold weather around the corner, they were driven to do this and help as many people in need as possible. When the collection was completed, they had collected over 600 pairs of socks. Praise God! The socks were distributed to Stewpot patrons on Thursday, December 1st.





The 1st Thursday Stewpot Team has some Unique Ideas



The 1st Thursday Stewpot Team brings fresh fruit (bananas and apples) each 1st Thursday. The team members chip in to pay for the fruit

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Another idea which may appeal to other teams is the use of Pansaver deep hotel pan (18" x 34") liners. Water is added to the roaster and the liner is placed into the pan prior to adding the contents. When Stewpot ends, the bags are removed and discarded. There is no scrubbing required. The team purchases and pays for the bags which can be purchased from Ben E. Keith for approximately 70 cents per bag.



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