

He had compassion on them....

COMMUNITY

- **Grocery and Clothing Collections** (Deacon's closet) household supplies, and clothing are collected and distributed to local Christian organizations

- **Back to School Supplies** The cost of purchasing school supplies for their children is much more than many families can manage. Rose Hill deacons connect with local organizations to provide help for these families to get off to a good start.

- **Angel Tree** This program of Prison Fellowship is one in which Rose Hill participates during the Christmas season. Members donate specific Christmas gifts for children of inmates on behalf of the incarcerated parent, a wonderful way to show the love of Christ.

- **Holiday Baskets** Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter meal makings are donated and purchased. These are delivered to people in need .

Deacons minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress both within and beyond the community of faith. They assume such other duties as may be delegated to them from time to time by the session, such as leading the people in worship through prayers of intercession, reading the Scriptures, presenting the gifts of the people, and assisting with the Lord's Supper.

(G-6.0402 a., Book of Order)

Deacon: (from GK diā´konos) servant

The Deacons of Rose Hill are elected servant leaders who, through their leadership encourage the congregation to serve the Lord.

To learn how you can help with any of the activities mentioned, please call or email the church office.



"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Matthew 25:37-40

Rose Hill Presbyterian Church

*a ministry of
compassion and service,
sharing the love of Christ*



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Love one another, as I have loved you.....

The elected Board of Deacons of Rose Hill Presbyterian Church serve others throughout the year, in a number of ways.

PRAYER

Regularly updated prayer lists of members, family, and friends who are dealing with illness, loss, or change of circumstance are given to all the deacons, to use in prayer during deacon meetings, and in their private prayer times. Prayers for the church, the congregation, and the community are included. The deacons are committed to pray for God's will, for comfort, strength and healing for many people. If you would like someone to be added to this list, please speak with a pastor.



CONGREGATIONAL

• Parish Plan

Members of Rose Hill are assigned to different parishes, dependant upon where they live. This support ministry is used when there is practical help needed, as during a time of illness. There might be a need for meals, house cleaning, transportation, child care, etc. Parish Leaders are contacted to coordinate help from volunteers within their parish.

Check the bulletin board in the narthex. You'll find pictures of the Parish Leaders, and the Parish liaison.

• Short Term Emergency Assistance

This help is available for members. It may include such things as assistance for medical, unemployment, and transportation needs.

• Military

In addition to supporting our troops in prayer, Deacons send cards of encouragement throughout the year to military family members. Also, a care package is sent to those family members of Rose Hill who are away from home, assigned to active duty.

• Cards, Flowers and Rosebuds

Cards, flowers, or plants are given in case of hospitalization and surgery. A special rosebud is placed on the altar in celebration of the birth of a baby.

• Holiday Plants and Cards

In celebration of Christmas and Easter housebound members of Rose Hill receive a special plant and card.

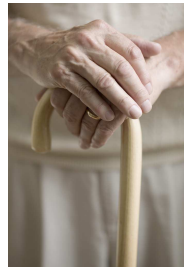
• Narthex Christmas Card

Members are invited to wish one another a merry Christmas by signing a large Christmas Card in the foyer, and invited to

make a donation to Rose Hill's Deacon Fund. Each card has been created by one of Rose Hill's artists.

• Visitation

Every deacon is involved in this friendship ministry. Not only do visits encourage members, but they are important to keep informed of prayer needs. Deacons may also assist in sharing communion with members in their home or hospital room.



• Tea Cup Ministry

Sponsored by the Deacons, this is an along-side ministry to widows and single women in our congregation. It is a ministry where women can share with one another in a caring personal way, in times of fellowship and encouragement.

• Memorial and Funeral Receptions

For members and families of members, Deacons coordinate with pastors any help or food donations that may be needed. They provide receptions following Memorial and Funeral services at Rose Hill.