

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church  
Service and Mission Committee  
Minutes for January 3, 2022**

**Mission Statement:** Rooted in God's grace to joyfully witness and serve.

**Core Values:** Intimacy with God - Inspiring Worship - Intentional Faith Development - Compassionate Outreach - Caring Community

**SAM Mission:** *Goals of the committee focus on three areas: fostering the spirit of volunteerism among Mount Cross members and friends; reaching out with tangible aid to the least fortunate in our local community and in the global community; encouraging responsible stewardship of God's creation.*

Present – **Bob, Gordon, Melissa and Bill**

**God Candle / Call to Order / Accept Minutes**

**Devotion / Prayer - **Melissa****

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Souper Bowl of Caring - February 13th -- **Melissa will recruit some folks to staff table(s)**

Blood Drive - February 27th **Registration on line will check to see if it's in Newsletter**

Camarillo CROP Hunger Walk - **Sunday March 13th Mount Cross to Host - Gordon working on it**

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Monthly Fair trade sale, LSS Barrel, Many Meals, St Columba's Food Pantry, Las Posas school partnership – **on hold; no point person Added Abundant Table to lift up during the year**

**Budget review** through year end

Acct # / Name / Balance / info

35720 St Columba's FP \$ 0

35750 Fair Trade Sale \$ 2,210 two sale deposits and one coffee order pending

35760 Gifts of Hope \$ 60 dep/check request pending - LIRS

35761 Hickory House \$ -450 deposit pending or in wrong account **Gordon will follow up**

35765 ELCA DR \$ 1,460 donations to LDR Match drive check pending will be \$ 0

35790 SAM Other \$ 933 used for LDR match and Harbor House lunch costs

35791 Peace & Justice \$ 1,062 \$ 162 used to support incarcerated youth project

**February Newsletter Deadline: Thursday January 20th**

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Gifts of Hope project LIRS - **Waiting for final total - will submit check request**

Oak Place (Hickory House) - **Mary collected monies and got cards for the Party - very successful**

LDR Match update - **Waiting for final total - will submit check request**

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Habitat for Humanity - **Gordon checking dates**

Mercy House

Harbor House - lunches **Mary will do again and add to newsletter**

Graceful Diapers

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date March 7 Time 6:00 Devotions Bob

Agenda Gordon Minutes Bill

**Evaluate the Meeting** **Adjourn with prayer**

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee  
Minutes for March 7, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**God Candle / Call to Order / Accepted Minutes of 1/2022**      **Devotion / Prayer - Gordon**  
Members Present: Tom, Bill, Bob, Gordon, Mary, Melissa

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Camarillo CROP Hunger Walk - Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Looks like about 5 churches; Not sure about Padre Serra or Mary Magdalene youth  
25% to Cam; 75% to Church World Service (around the world)

Bowls of Hope - on Many Mansions March 20th at CLU was in Sunday bulletin 1-3 pm

March 22 - World Water Day 12:00 Zoom

Melissa will put in the Newsletter; Here is the Zoom

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89476139095?pwd=ckp3Q0tV0N6S1dESCtvZzgzdFIYZz09>

April 22 - Earth Day - any ideas

Ventura Land trust planting 2000 trees in VC – looking for volunteers – Gordon will get into Apr. Newsletter; Support ELCA So Cal Creation Justice Ministries

Habitat - Hearts and Hammers Dinner April 23 need volunteers and guests

Sheraton in Ventura; Melissa will put in Newsletter

Build Little Library

Gordon & Bill are getting started

Gas cards for the office - from Denise Sobolik and Pastor Julie

\$300 from Fair Trade Account - Gordon will take care of

Juvenile Hall Easter Baskets- \$300 plus from Fair Trade & inspirational Cards (55)

Ukraine response - Lutheran World Relief

Lutheran World Relief - Ash Wednesday \$470 each church; \$300 from Fair Trade Gordon will handle

Camarillo CROP Hunger Walk

Send \$100 to support the Mount Cross Team

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Monthly Fair trade sale (Melissa will craft a Newsletter blurb about our future), LSS Barrel, Many Meals – (Susan Prosser is following up with a proposal from Trinity to evaluate bringing back a different meal program), St Columba's Food Pantry- Barbara still on it; Las Posas school partnership Abundant Table CSA – Volunteer days coming up?

**Budget review in May - but we have a Fair trade Balance \$2,290 and a Sam Balance \$932**

**April Newsletter Deadline: Thursday March 17th**

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Gifts of Hope project LIRS - final total: \$935 still in account; \$2970 total

LDR Match update - final total: \$245 still in account; \$2460 already donated; total = \$2705

Souper bowl -- February 13th: \$661 (plus match); 134 food items to St. Columba's food pantry

Blood Drive - February 27<sup>th</sup>: #pints?; Next August ?

Boys and Girls Club - work day – 15 volunteer workers - painted patio walls & built planter boxes

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Habitat for Humanity – Mens Bible Study was invited to go see the site on Thursday 3/17

Mercy House

Harbor House - lunches - \$100 from Fair Trade - Mary will continue monthly

Graceful Diapers

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date April 4th Time 6:00 pm

Devotions - **Mary** Agenda - **Gordon** Minutes - **Bill**

**Evaluate the Meeting** **Adjourn with prayer** - from **Melissa**

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee  
Minutes for April 4, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**Present via Zoom - Gordon Henry, Melissa Henry, Bill Stoll and Mary Goodenough**

**Call to Order / Accept Minutes                  Devotion / Prayer - Melissa**

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Friday April 22 - Earth Day - No official activity just hope people make time for a Clean up day, and commit to use less single use plastic from April Newsletter.

Habitat - Hearts and Hammers Fundraising Dinner April 23 - they need volunteers for set-up and take-down and they still need guests!

Build Little Library - Will be looking at a place near the Church office and start construction soon.

Harbor House lunches - April 26 – Mary will be building lunches - authorized \$100 from Fair Trade to help with now non-perishable snacks to add for the next few months.

Easter Bags - Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> - Funding up to \$300 from Fair Trade - Melissa will work on cards to add to the bags.

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: **Monthly Fair trade sale** – Will close monthly; replace with buyers club?; **LSS Barrel** -? , **Many Meals** – Looking for a spearhead for this cause; **St Columba's Food Pantry** – Melissa & Gordon covering for Barbara; **Abundant Table CSA** – May have contemplative weeding day?

**Budget review in June - at next meeting June 6th**

**May Newsletter Deadline: Thursday April 21st**

**June Newsletter Deadline: Thursday May 19th**

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Camarillo CROP Hunger Walk - Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup> – 140 people involved Raised \$19,400 - Mount Cross raised \$3,455

March 22 - World Water Day Link to recorded program - <https://youtu.be/m9neKviSUDE>.

Gas cards for the office - checked with Office to find where they get cards and found they had just bought some.- will provide for next purchase. when needed (\$300 from Fair Traded).

Ukraine response - Lutheran World Relief – Check request for \$300 & \$245 sent

Blood Drive in February - 20 pints collected - next one set for August 7th

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Habitat for Humanity – construction moving along Landscaping & fences; Ikea cabinets Gordon will look for a Saturday work day.

Mercy House -

Harbor House - lunches - ongoing

Graceful Diapers – Bruce says that had fallen by wayside; Gordon will touch bases & find out more

Oak Place – They are working on projects there

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date 6/6/2022 Time 6 p.m.

Devotions Mary Agenda Gordon Minutes Bill

**Evaluate the Meeting**                      **Adjourn with prayer**

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee**  
**Minutes for August 1, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**Call to Order / Devotion / Prayer - Gordon**

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Blood Drive August 7, 8:00 /12:00

Slots are filling up as of August 1st only 8 slots still open (out of 32)

Build Little Library

Gordon & Bill will get together on this

Harbor House lunches - Sunday September 11th (see below)

We discussed HH and the feeding program in Oxnard the Leslie and Mike work with. Also the possibility of the Many Meals program starting up for Mount Cross volunteers on one Monday a month.

LWR kit collections - School kits and Personal Care Kits August thru October

Melissa put articles in Aug/Sept newsletters. Donations from VBS program will fund some kits - we will have packs on the patio on Sundays to help string more (have 65 partially completed)

Movie and a Pot Luck - start up??

COVID an issue; possible topic – global warming - we will be looking for possible video/movie

ELCA Day of Service September 11 (Gods Work Our Hands)

We will make 80 lunches for Harbor House; Melissa and Gordon will use a Thrivent Grant to purchase most of the supplies (any leftovers can be used to support Harbor House lunches on future dates). Will also have the backpacks out to work on.

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Fair trade options- buyers' club; Melissa will do some PR; LSS Barrel- tub not full; St Columba's Food Pantry- Barbara Cranfill; CSA Abundant Table- 8/13 weed pulling in Fillmore; Harbor House- Concert, meal, & silent auction 10/1@ Emmanuel Presbyterian in TO;

**Budget review** (existing balance info)

Many Meals - managed by Susan Prosser \$2,419

Quilters - managed by Marilyn Gardner \$ 522

new LWR Shipping from Endowment \$ 575

St Columba's Pantry \$ 0

Fair Trade \$ 2,340 see list of projects supported by Fair Trade sales new \$ -150 for gas cards

Gifts of Hope \$ 0 Used for LIRS have sent total of \$ 2,970

LWR - Ukraine \$ 25 Special request have sent total of \$3,146

SAM Other \$ 1,283 our regular budget account + a \$50 monthly contribution

Peace & Justice \$ 1,062

**September** Newsletter Deadline: **Thursday August 18th**

**October** Newsletter Deadline: **Thursday September 22nd ??**

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Camarillo CROP Hunger Walk - Sunday March 13, 2023 - need coordinator

Gas cards for the office - We approved \$300 have spent \$150

Ukraine response - Lutheran World Relief

Lutheran Disaster Response- Kentucky Flooding

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Habitat for Humanity- Port Hueneme townhomes done; no new groundbreaking this year

Assemble Kits Day or Days - to be determined

Blessing of the Kits and Quilts - to be determined

Help with the "In Gathering" loading truck with Mount Cross site as a collection point for the County - TBD

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date 10/3/2022 Time 6:00 Devotions Bob

Agenda: Gordon Minutes Bill

**Evaluate the Meeting** **Adjourn with prayer:** Melissa

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee**  
**Minutes from October 3, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**Call to Order - Gordon ---- Devotion / Prayer - Bob**  
**Attended; Gordon and Melissa Henry, Mary Goodenough, Bob Boyer and Bill Stoll**

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

LWR kits - Assembling - Sunday October 9th

Will set up on Saturday and do both School and Health kits after service also following week if needed

LWR Blessing - Sunday October 16th

Set for Sunday will display Quilts, School kits, Health kits and Baby kits

Kits and Quilts and In-Gathering pick up - Thursday October 20th

Looking for helpers to load our boxes and the other church's that drop off

Harbor House lunches -

Mary will look at her schedule and try to pick a day - maybe on Sunday after church - there are some supplies and funds left to help with project

Build Little Library - Gordon will check Habitat Restore to see if there is a cabinet that will work

Movie and a Pot Luck - start up ??

Discussed the upcoming Reconciled in Christ (RIC) program starting soon will look for early next year

Gifts of Hope - Nov/Dec

The committee picked Harbor House as the mission we will support this year - will get some new cards printed and start after Thanksgiving

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Fair trade options, LSS Barrel, St Columba's Food Pantry, Abundant Table CSA. Lutheran Disaster Response in email and bulletin as items arise.

**Budget review** Set for December meeting

**Newsletter Deadlines:** November: Thursday October 20th

December: Thursday November 17th

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Blood Drive - August 7th -- All slots filled did very well will set 2/3 up for 2023

ELCA Day of Service Sept 11 -- Made 80 lunches for Harbor House lots of helping hands!!

Stringing the backpacks - Sept 11 and again on Sept 18th.

School Kit collections - went well and started Health Kit collections in September

Harbor House Fundraiser -- Concert attended by some Mt Cross members was a fun event



**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

2023 Mount Cross Budget request --Due by October 31st - Gordon will submit

Oak Place (Old Hickory House) Christmas concert and fundraiser - Mary will check with new owners

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date 11/7/2022 Time 6:00 Devotions Mary  
Agenda Gordon Minutes Bill/Gordon

**Evaluate the Meeting**

**Adjourn with prayer** Melissa

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee  
Minutes for November 7, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**Call to Order - Gordon --- Devotion and Prayer - Mary**  
**Attended; Gordon and Melissa Henry, Mary Goodenough, Bob Boyer and Bill Stoll**  
**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Many Meals - November 14th

Let Karin know she has \$300 for grocery cards (if needed) – Gordon will contact Karin

Noisy Offering - Laundry Love - Harbor House

Paper money as well as quarters

LIRS - Cards of Hope for Christmas

Cards available for next few weeks

Gifts of Hope - Alternative Christmas Gifts

Melissa will design cards on Shutterfly; \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100

Coat Collection for Harbor House

Melissa will reach out to people for men's coats

**Added - Mary will contact OAK Place**

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Fair trade options: may have candy bars out, LSS Barrel: Bob tried to talk to them, St Columba's Food Pantry: Barbara taking care of this, Abundant Table CSA. Lutheran Disaster Response in email and bulletin:

Reconciled in Christ stating in new year.

**Budget review** Set for December meeting

**Newsletter Deadlines:** December: Thursday November 17th

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

LWR kits - Assembling - Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>: MUCH participation; 140ish backpacks; 80 personal care kits

LWR Blessing - Sunday October 16th

Kits and Quilts and In-Gathering pick up - Thursday October 20th

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Build Little Library -

Movie and a Pot Luck - Environmental/ Social Justice ... any Ideas??: **RIC**

Designate funds from Fair Trade / SAM other to be for ??????: **RIC**

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date 12/5/2022 Time 6:00 Devotions **Gordon**     

Agenda Gordon Minutes Bill                     

**Evaluate the Meeting**                      **Adjourn with prayer**

**Mount Cross Lutheran Church - Service and Mission Committee**

**Minutes from December 5, 2022 Via Zoom**

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**Call to Order - Gordon --- Devotion and Prayer - Gordon**

**Attended; Gordon and Melissa Henry, Mary Goodenough and Bill Stoll**

**Reporting on Progress** (Events in the next months)

Noisy Offering - Laundry Love - Harbor House --collected \$120 in November will do in December

Gifts of Hope - Alternative Christmas program -- funds of Harbor House Rent assistance

Build Sandwiches for Harbor House December 18th -- We have signed up for 30 fund from Fair Trade

Oak Place Party -- Marry and volunteers are set for December 21st Fair Trade will fund any shortfall

Restock the St Columba's Pantry Dec 21st or by the year end - Thrivent Action grant -- Gordon was approved for a \$250 Grant will show in mid December

Thanksgiving Eve Offering - Committee voted to send to the RAIN Transitional Housing Project

**Continuing Events and Business Items**

Events: Fair trade options, LSS Barrel, St Columba's Food Pantry, Abundant Table CSA. Lutheran Disaster Response in email and bulletin --- The Abundant Table CSA will end this year.

**Budget review** Set for December meeting --- moved to January -- Some final actions will be taken to finish projects this year.

**Newsletter Deadlines:** January: Thursday December 15th

**Reviewing Goals** (review of events)

Many Meals - November 14th -- Karen Grennan said it went well and all the spots were filled - No December for Mt Cross we are on for Monday January 9th.

**Setting new Goals** (future event planning)

Build Little Library - Bill checking with family faith team

Movie and a Pot Luck - Environmental/ Social Justice ... any ideas?

Crop Hunger Walk set for March 12th - to be hosted by Padre Serra

**Build Future Agenda** - Next Meeting: Date 1/9/2023 Time 6:00 Devotions Melissa  
Agenda Gordon Minutes Gordon/Bill

**Evaluate the Meeting** **Adjourn with prayer**