

## World Hunger Subcommittee of the Social Ministry Committee Report 2020

The World Hunger subcommittee encourages congregations to contribute to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal and educates congregations about world hunger issues. In **2019** about \$235,000 was contributed directly through the NIL synod in support of the World Hunger Appeal. Thanks to all contributing congregations.

### **World Hunger Subcommittee activities this past year** included:

- 2019 Northern Illinois Synod Assembly: 2nd Annual Cycle to Synod event. \$3,897 was raised for World Hunger. Assisted with “Bread for the World” letter writing campaign. Ran a World Hunger resource/information table. Handed out Certificates of Recognition for ELCA World Hunger giving to all congregations.
- 2019 CRE: Ran a resource table and presented a workshop on Domestic Hunger Grants.
- Participated in the 2020-22 ELCA Domestic Hunger Grant review process for 5 applicants. Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries (RALM), was one of 44 ministries across the church that was awarded a grant. They will receive \$10,000 for each of the next three years to support: 1) Park Players (coach and mentor teen staff members); 2) God’s Work Our Hands Packaging program (package 60,000 meals); 3) Laundry Love (wash and provide clean laundry for those unable access clean laundry).
- Two members of the committee attended the World Hunger Leadership Gathering in Minneapolis, MN in July 2019 which included a Domestic Hunger grant review leader training session.

**Committee Members:** Becky Wright, NW, chair; Norm Moline, W, treasurer; Carol Erickson, C; Pr Jeff Schlesinger, C ; Pr Scott Schmidt, S; Kent Terry, S; Pr Gary Erickson, NE; Brynn Conway, NE; Pr Richard Meier, N; Amy Hoeing, N; Pr Wayne Derber, E; Pr James Gallagher, SW; Deacon Myrna Anderson, SW; Bob Stark, NW