

Holiday Food Baskets have been a long tradition of Grace Lutheran Church. We partner with other Lutheran churches and schools in the area to provide food to help make the holidays a bit better for families in need. Baskets are provided before Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. It is time once again to look toward funding and implementing the holiday basket program. Though funded separately from Grace Food Pantry by Grace, Peace Lutheran and St Johns Lutheran, we use obtain the food through the pantry and reimburse it for the costs. We have already begun stocking up for the baskets for Thanksgiving. Those baskets will go out November 16 and November 18.

Please consider donating to the Holiday Baskets, which cost about \$50 per basket. Grace pays for 60 baskets per holiday. That is \$3,000 for each of Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Your help is appreciated. Each family receives a tote with about \$50 worth of groceries and personal items, including a ham, milk, bread, eggs, potatoes, apples, numerous non-perishable cans and boxes of food, and a bag of toiletries. You can support this ministry by donating cash (earmarked for Holiday Food Baskets) and/or the nonperishable foods listed below:

Non-perishable Needs for Holiday Food Baskets:

- * Cans of green beans, corn, peaches, pears, pork and beans, ravioli, and pasta sauce
- * Boxes of spaghetti, macaroni and cheese, saltine crackers, and cereal
- * Jars of peanut butter, jars of jelly (plastic, not glass, please)

Help make someone's Thanksgiving special...

If you would like to sponsor a basket, or half a basket, to honor someone, or remember someone who is no longer on their earthly journey, please fill out the form below, tear or cut it out and mail it to Grace. We will print your name and the name(s) of those you honor or remember in the December Grace Notes. Thank you for helping this special ministry. Your gift will be recorded on your giving statement.

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____

Person(s) Name(s) to honor or remember: _____

Amount of gift: _____