Health Ministry/Parish Nurse Report 2019

Role of a Parish Nurse includes: health advisor, educator on health issues, advocate/resource person, and liaison to faith and community resources, as well as providing monthly blood pressure screenings and ***Life Together*** newsletter articles. These articles pertain to timely and /or requested health and safety topics. Monthly BP screenings continued to be scheduled throughout most of 2019.

Regretfully, I am stepping down from the ministry of Parish Nurse. My current activities, aside from the church, have increased leaving little time and energy to devote to Health Ministry at Abiding Hope. If you are a nurse with interest in taking over the Health Ministry at Abiding Hope, please contact me. I am anxious to see this important ministry continue.

Submitted by Jeanne H. Tropper, R.N.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Report 2019

The purpose of this Ministry is to present a tangible example of prayers and faith in the form of shawls, lap robes, blankets, and quilts. We have just completed our 13th year in this ministry and have presented these gifts of healing or to celebrate happy events to those within the congregation, relatives and those in need.

"Pocket" prayer shawls continue to be crafted and handed out as needed.  The group continues to meet monthly at the church or make the shawls or baby afghans on their own and donate them to the Ministry.

The group enjoyed our annual Christmas luncheon held in mid-December.

Special thanks to all those who attend and donate to this ministry, especially Marion Wygant who continues to be a constant member and has donated many of her beautiful shawls.

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