

Community Outreach

The mission of the Community Outreach at **First Presbyterian Church** is to support our congregation in the expression of their Christian faith through ministry and **service to those in need** within our **local community** in order to make our church's mission a living reality.

We work with and support established groups and organizations that are focused on the **Homeless, Working Poor** and the **Unemployed** of SLO County



Community Outreach ministries include: **Green Pastures, Literacy Center, Shelter Overflow, MLM Shelter** dinners, **People's Kitchen** lunches, **Peoples' Self-Help Housing**.

If you would like to learn more about any of these ministries or would like to volunteer your time, treasure, or talent please contact **Dave Kuykendall** or any member of the church staff.



First Presbyterian Church

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am to 12:00

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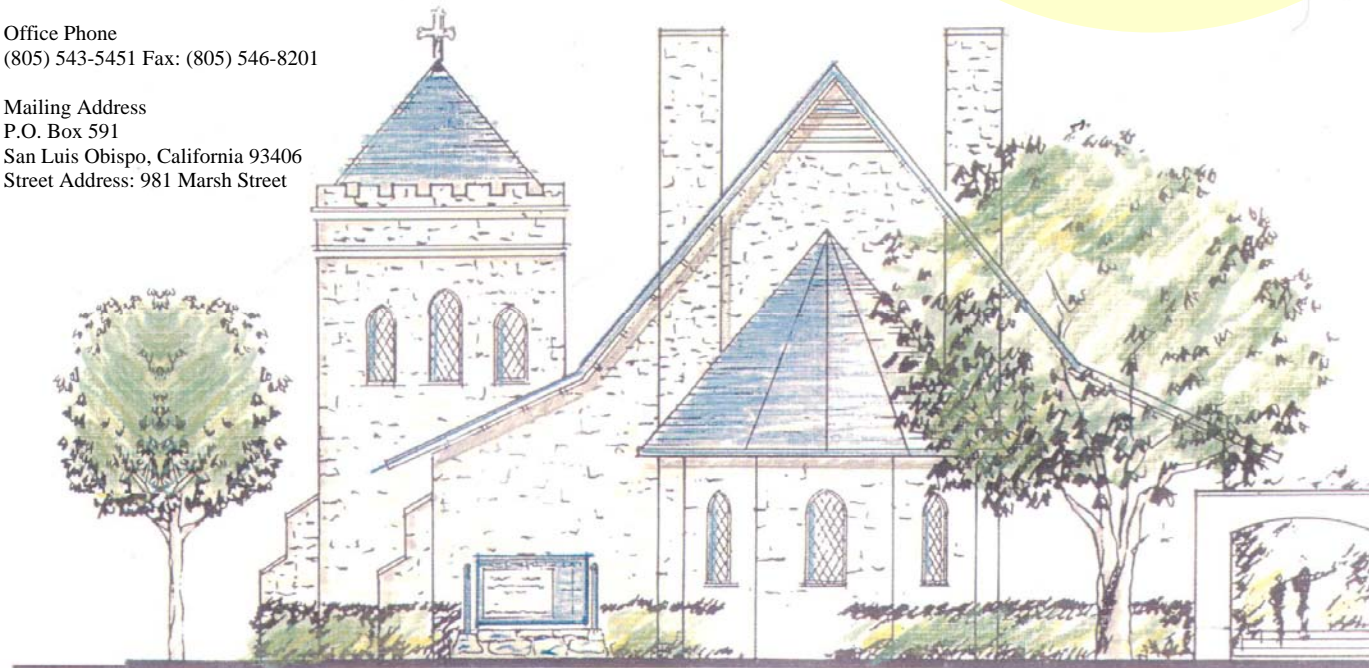
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SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE

Shelter Overflow

What is the mission of the group?

Provide a warm and respectful presence for families and single women from the Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter who stay overnight in Wilson Hall.

How long has the group been in operation?

First Presbyterian Church has housed the shelter overflow since 1993.

What inspired the group's foundation?

Concern for the homeless during the winter months, worked with St. Stephen's Episcopal Church to augment the shelter's overnight accommodations for women and families.

Number of volunteers? 2007: 66

Annual operating budget?

None; 2007: \$131 expenditures

Percent of budget coming from donations?

100% (Community Outreach)

Percent of budget going towards overhead?

Zero

Target population and geographic location served?

Homeless single women and families (30 maximum) of SLO County screened and processed by EOC Homeless Services at Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter in San Luis Obispo.

What services does the group offer?

Overnight Chaperones facilitate a safe and secure atmosphere in Wilson Hall for homeless families and single women who stay overnight (7:30 p.m. – 7:15 a.m.) during the month of March.

What are the group's current needs?

Volunteers (at least 18 years old and out of high school) to serve as Chaperones during the month of March; donated toiletries.

What does a volunteer do?

Working with EOC Homeless Services and the Interfaith Coalition for the Homeless, Overflow Coordinators recruit and meet with Chaperones; Chaperones greet families and women escorted by EOC social worker, help children with homework or play games. Two Chaperones take turns sleeping on a cot in the library and staying awake on duty in the kitchen. EOC Homeless Services provides 24 hour support.

2008 Overflow Coordinators

Mary Godfrey, Meg Kuykendall, Jackie Parker, Carrie Vermeer

Contact:

Carrie Vermeer
Meg Kuykendall

2007 Overflow Chaperones

Bert Townsend	Tim Waag
Debbie Dover	Ross Dover
Curt Illingworth	Pat Mullen
Tim Smith	Margo Smith
Ann Carl	Gary Carl
Annie Falk	Tyson Witcher
Cherie Smith	Brooks Smith
Barbara Pascoe	Harry Sharp
Alyce Broome	Chris Broome
Leah Groppo	Matt Ludwig
Tim Baldwin	Hogan Wagner
Jeanette Lydon	Garrett Parker
Mary El Hansen	Ann Silva
Marge Nixon	Sarah Zelaris
Ann-Sofie Dean	Phil Dean
Valerie Evans	Lauren Bally
Scott Koontz	Jose Krane
Allison Estes	Steven Tawresey
Dave Williams	Steve Kobara
Carl Abeloe	Baxter Dunaway
Lois Elliott	Cliff Elliott
Pamalee Brady	Laurel Hickok
John Aspinall	Susan Updegrove
Alan Lethers	Carolyn Le-Font
Katie Hilton	Steve Brown
Hal Larsen	Dorie Larsen
Art DeKleine	Gloria DeKleine
Rebecca Watkins	Joyce Marlier
Becky Townsend	Don Vermeer
Jim Hawthorne	Dottie Hawthorne
Adam Smith	Chris Weber

For the first seven years, every night of the month, Evelyn Nunley welcomed the homeless guests. Elaine Townsend recruited the first volunteers. First team of Coordinators were John Aspinall, Ann-Sofie Dean, Jackie Parker, and Carrie Vermeer in 2003.