

Emergency child care



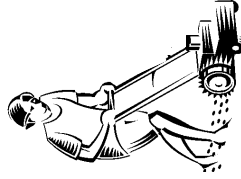
Cookie drop

New baby visits

Prepare a meal



Rides to the doctor or to church



Yard work



Sending cards



Help with bills

Hospitalized child visits



Cleaning

With a request or a need for Caring & Sharing to address or to serve as part of the Caring & Sharing ministry team, please contact Del Steeley (626-0321)

# Caring and Sharing

*An outreach of the Lititz United Methodist Church which provides assistance and finds resources for those in need*



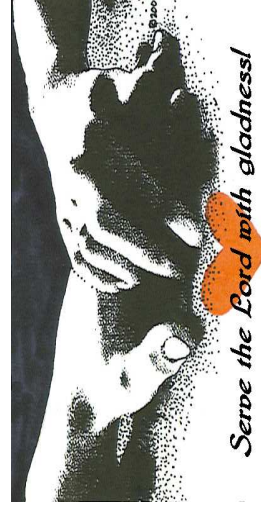
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*Serve the Lord with gladness!*

## WHAT IS CARING AND SHARING?

Caring and Sharing is a ministry by a group of Christ's servants who lend a helping hand in many ways. From making meals to sending cards, when a need arises, these loving Christians are called into service.

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## WHAT ARE THE SPECIFIC SERVICES OF CARING & SHARING?

One of the services Caring and Sharing provides is **making and delivering meals** to someone returning home from the hospital or to a family with a new baby. For a week, no one has to worry about cooking! Each helper will cook one meal as they are called upon, with a month or two going by before they are called upon again.

Caring and Sharing **provides transportation** to doctor's appointments, to the drugstore, to the grocery store or to church. Again, each helper is called to provide rides when it fits with his/her schedule and then is not called upon for a period of time. If there are several individuals requiring transportation, the volunteer may be called upon more frequently.

If a person from the church or connected to the church needs **yard work** done, Caring and Sharing is there. Each worker will do mulching, planting, or weeding. In the fall, he/she will rake leaves and in the winter will remove snow from walkways and driveways.



Caring and Sharing will do **light cleaning**, or **provide emergency child care**.

Caring and Sharing will **provide financial assistance for emergency needs**.

If a family has a new baby, Caring and Sharing will make a visit to **welcome the new little one** into the church. A gift of a hand made baby afghan and a CD of lullabies are given to the new little child.

Caring and Sharing also does a **cookie drop**, taking a bag of cookies, a monthly newsletter and a welcome letter from the pastor to first-time visitors during the week after they have first attended the church.

Caring and Sharing **visits children who have been in the hospital** with a small gift when they are recuperating at home.

Caring and Sharing also has a **card ministry** which sends "get well" cards to parishioners who are ill or in the hospital. Cards are sent to those who have lost a loved one. In addition, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter cards as well as birthday cards are sent to the homebound and those in nursing homes.

**Caring and Sharing is a blessing** both for the volunteers and for those who are receiving this loving ministry!

## DO I HAVE TO RESPOND EVERY TIME I AM CALLED?

No. You only respond to a call when you are able.

## HOW DO I BECOME PART OF CARING AND SHARING?

If you would like to be a part of Caring and Sharing, contribute financially or have a need for the Caring and Sharing ministry, **please call Del Steeley at 626-0321**

