



### Give the World a Gift!

### **Christmas Shopping For Good Causes**

The Alternative Christmas Market is back in person this year. If you are not able to make the in person event, do your Christmas shopping virtually on line at the 1st UMC webpage. This catalog, complete with order form, is available at: <a href="http://salemfirstumc.org/">http://salemfirstumc.org/</a>

At this time, needs are great, so the spirit of helping others through Christmas giving is especially important. Your help is important for charities working hard during these challenging times to bring relief to those in need in our community, our region and the world .

### Order your Christmas wreath



Order your Christmas wreath in person at church at either service on Sundays November 13, 20 and 27

Pick up your wreath at the Market Saturday, December 3, 10:00 am-3:00pm or Sunday, December 4, 9:45 am-2:00pm

Very Large \$160 Mujeres Luchadoras Progresistas

Large \$40 Small \$30

Women Striving for Change

**How to Participate** 

Attend the in person event:

The 34th annual Alternative Christmas

Market will be at Taplin Hall in the MICAH

Building at 608 State Street NE

Saturday, Dec. 3 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday, December 4, 9:45AM - 2:00 PM

If you are shopping from home,

**On line**: use the provided URLs to be directed to the donation pages.

**By mail**: send a check directly to the charity's mailing address

To give through the church: Use the order form at the back of the catalog to indicate the charity(s) and the amount of your gift.

On Line: donate at the website <a href="http://salemfirstumc.org/donate-now/">http://salemfirstumc.org/donate-now/</a> Use the note section to indicate how you want your gift divided.

**By Mail:** Mail your completed order form and check to:

Alternative Christmas Market FUMC, 600 State St., Salem, OR 97301 c/o Judy Allen, Business Administrator. Make your check out to FUMC

## SHELLY'S HOUSE, Inc.

Shelly's House provides safe and affordable alcohol/drug - free transitional housing for recovering women offenders exiting the correctional system.

To read more about this charity including success stories, visit <a href="https://www.shellyshouse.org/">https://www.shellyshouse.org/</a>

To donate, click on the donate button at the top of the page.

Or mail your check to: Shelly's House, Inc.

P.O. Box 13763. Salem, OR 97309-1763





TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AND SERVICES FOR RECOVERING WOMEN EX-OFFENDERS





"Family Building Blocks is the Relief Nursery of Marion and Polk counties that keeps children safe and families together."

Family Building Blocks focuses on prevention by partnering with families with children ages prenatal to five years.

The only organization of its kind in our community, Family Building Blocks offers the most intensive, specialized, and voluntary services at no cost to families facing overwhelming life circumstances.

Annually, 99% of the 1,200 children enrolled remain living safely with their families, avoiding foster care and the devastation of abuse and neglect.

Thank you for adopting a parent or child in our program this holiday season and partnering with us to keep children safe and families together with us!"

#### https://familybuildingblocks.org/donate/



Or send donations to: FBB 2425 Lancaster Dr. NE Salem, OR 97305





#### **Heifer International**

https://www.heifer.org/gift-catalog/index.html



Your gift today offers families facing homelessness the promise of home. Family Promise is the leading national nonprofit addressing family homelessness, providing homelessness prevention, emergency shelter, workforce development, education, financial capability, health and wellness, and so much more. <a href="https://www.familypromisemwv.org/donate">https://www.familypromisemwv.org/donate</a>

### Nellie Thompson-Dorothy Patch Scholarship Fund

The Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to underrepresented students of color in the Salem-area to support their pursuit of college or trade school. Since 1995, the Fund has assisted more than 250 students who have faced obstacles in their lives and who have shown promise and resilience by overcoming adversity.

Please send donations to: P.O. Box 13584, Salem, OR 97309

Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund



Your gift of farm animals through <u>Heifer International</u> can help turn destitute people into productive members of their community who are able to feed themselves and their families.

# **FamilyPromise**

of the Mid-Willamette Valley





# **M** Habitat for Humanity

of the Mid-Willamette Valley

Habitat for Humanity believes that everyone deserves a decent place to live. Now, more than ever, we all know the importance of a safe, stable home. Our mission is to show God's love and bring people together to build homes, community and hope. Habitat works toward our vision by building strength, stability and self-reliance in partnership with families in need of decent and affordable housing.

Since 1991, Habitat for Humanity of the mid-Willamette Valley, along with partnering families, has built 93 family homes to serve 446 individuals in our community. Currently, Salem Habitat is building two homes in partnership with two low-income families who will become first time homeowners.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.SalemHabitat.org">www.SalemHabitat.org</a> or to donate, go to bit.ly/donate-habitatmwy









<u>One Fair World</u> in Salem, Oregon, is a Fair Trade, not-for-profit retailer of quality, artisan-crafted home décor, accessories, candles, personal care items, jewelry, musical instruments, holiday items, cards, stationery, baskets, carvings, as well as some food products such as coffee, chocolate, cocoa and tea.

One Fair World at 474 Court Street NE will be open for safe socially distanced shopping this holiday season. The mission of our non-profit shop is to alleviate poverty in developing countries by providing a marketplace for the artisans Fair Trade certified goods. You can visit the shop 10:00am to 5:00pm Mondays through Saturdays or 10:00am to 2:00pm on Sundays. Learn more about One Fair World at <a href="http://www.onefairworld.org/">http://www.onefairworld.org/</a>



#### **Ariana House**

**Mission** We provide a welcoming home for refugee and asylum seeking families along with the education, social connections, and the support they need to flourish in our community

**Vision** All refugees and asylum-seekers who arrive in Salem will know they are deeply valued as they are welcomed with a safe home and caring support.

#### https://www.arianahouse.org/donate

Or send your check to Ariana House, 5032 Halls Ferry Rd S, Salem, OR 97302.



SPREADING LOVE ONE LUNCH AT A TIME BACKPACK BUDDIES Backpack Buddies provides weekend lunches to students at Hoover Elementary School. A joint project of First United Methodist Church, St. Mark Lutheran, and St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Backpack Buddies helps meet the nutrional needs of school children at times when other resources are not available, such as weekends and school vacations. Together the churches provide approximately 5,000 lunches each school year, with the goal of helping the students grow and thrive.

<u>Backpack Buddies</u> is a hunger relief program designed to help meet the needs of children at times when other resources are not available, such as weekends and school vacations.

Good nutrition is essential to children's health and growth. It is key to their future physical and mental health, academic achievement, and economic productivity. Unfortunately, many students live in households where they are unable to consistently access enough nutritious food.

To help students experiencing food insecurity, Backpack Buddies provides weekend lunches to students in need at Hoover Elementary School in Salem, Oregon. The students receive lunches at school during the week, and Backpack Buddies provides lunches for them to take home over weekends and holidays. The take-home lunches fill a nutrition gap and help the students return to school ready to learn.

Three local churches – First United Methodist Church, St. Mark Lutheran Church, and St. Timothy's Episcopal – participate in the program. They purchase, pack, and deliver approximately 5,000 lunches each school year. The lunches are an expression of love and support and are given with the goal of helping all of us – students, families, and communities – grow and thrive.



**UMCOR** is working in more than 80 countries worldwide, including the United States. Our **mission**, grounded in the teachings of Jesus, is to alleviate human suffering - whether caused by war, conflict or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people.

https://www.umcmission.org/umcor/give/how-to-give





# United Women in Faith

#### http://salemfirstumc.org/donate-now/

Please specify your gift to The United Women in Faith. We believe love in action can change the world. UWF is an Open Door Churches organization.





# Liberty House is one of the charities supported by United Women in Faith

Liberty House is a child abuse assessment center serving Marion and Polk counties. Liberty House offers a safe, comfortable, child-friendly environment for children and their families facing concerns of abuse, neglect, trauma, or grief.

https://www.libertyhousecenter.org/donate.php



https://helpinghandssalem.org/donate/

1755 13th St SE, Salem, OR 97302

<u>Helping Hands Resources</u> is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that gathers donated clothing, bedding and household items and provides them to anyone in need at no charge.

Our operation is supported by grants from foundations and endowment funds plus cash donations from local area businesses, service clubs, churches and individuals.







http://salemfirstumc.org/donate-now/ Open Door Youth Ministries works with youth 6-12th grade from all over the Salem-Keizer area. Please specify your gift to United Methodist Youth Ministry.



**CHP** 

Congregations Helping People is a group of local congregations who work together to provide a safety net for people who are falling through the cracks of the local social service system. CHP's human resources worker offers expert advice on how and where to receive help and provides direct aid for items such as rent, utilities and personal



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# **First United Methodist Church**

600 State Street Salem, Oregon 97301 Phone: 503-364-6709 Tax ID # 93-0395575

# **Alternative Christmas Market**

#### **Shopping List**

Ariana House	\$
Backpack Buddies	\$
Congregations Helping People	\$
Family Building Blocks	\$
Family Promise	\$
Habitat for Humanity	\$
Heifer International	\$
Helping Hands Resources	\$
Open Door Youth Ministries	\$
Shelly's House, Inc.	\$
Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund	\$
UMCOR United Methodist Committee on Relief	\$
United Women In Faith	\$
TOTAL	\$

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