

August 2026 Generosity Highlights



Sleep In Heavenly Peace

- 134 volunteer hours
- 108 sets of linens delivered
- 20 beds delivered
- 30 beds built
- \$50 cash donations

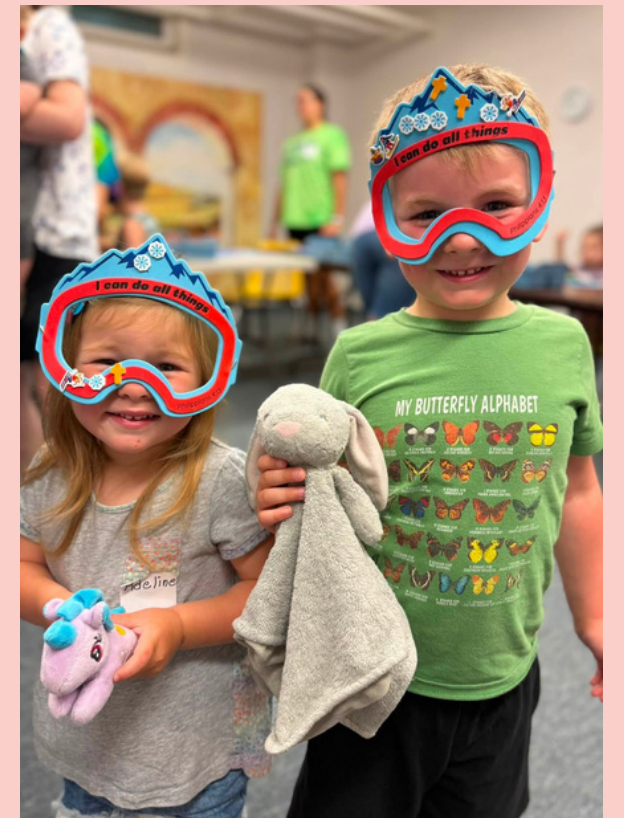
Justice for Children Advocacy Center

Families Supported: Providing care and advocacy for an average of 21 kids and their families each month this year through the Justice for Children Advocacy Center.



VBS Summer Camp

- **Campers:** 30 kids enjoyed our three activity centers this week: Story Time, Crafts, and Games.
- **Volunteer Team:** 25 dedicated volunteers helped throughout the week by running activities, managing registration, and preparing snacks.
- **Community Support:** A huge thank you to the church members who generously donated snacks and decorations to make the week a success!



- **Drop-In Sessions:** Hosted 3 GLOW OUT! drop-in sessions in August, averaging 8-10 youth per session.

- **Avon Camp Out:** 18 youth—including many drop-in regulars—attended a special camp out in Avon during the fourth week of August!

The HELP Fund

Through your generosity in the month of August, we were able to provide immediate care and relief to those in need, including:

- Helping a family with their electric bill and providing food gift cards (via the Outreach Committee) after a fire destroyed their business.
- Buying groceries for a struggling woman and her 12-year-old son.
- Securing hotel accommodations and providing transportation (thanks to a congregation member) for a woman visiting from Portugal.
- Providing a hotel and groceries for a woman in need.
- Paying two medical bills for a young woman.
- Supporting a family going through cancer treatments by paying their electric bill.



Dementia Respite



- **Participants Served:** 8 (enjoying our fun "Out on the beach" theme!)
- **Volunteer Team:** 10 dedicated volunteers helped run our program this month.
- **Activities & Food:** Guests decorated sea-shell picture frames for their beach prop photos, played a fun "What's in my bag?" guessing game, enjoyed Bingo, and had a video sing-along. Everyone also loved the hearty meatloaf lunch and beach-themed cake!



Building Use



- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** Build day in Buffalo (4 hours), general meeting, and Batavia delivery day (4 hours). Open to anyone to participate!
- **Crossroads House:** Fundraising Committee meeting (1 hour) and Board meeting (1.5 hours).
- **Summer Picnic:** Hosted at DeWitt Park (1.5 hours).
- **GLOW Youth Group:** 9 hours of meetings.
- **Office for the Aging Memory Cafe:** (3 hours), Support Group (1 hour), and Caregiver Resource Fair (3 hours).
- **Genesee Symphony Orchestra:** 14 hours of rehearsal space.
- **Memorial Service:** Hosted a service for a non-member (4 hours).
- **Resurrection Knitters:** Provided meeting space (3 hours) for a local Catholic women's group unable to meet at their home church.
- **Vacation Bible School:** 12 hours of public programming.
- **Quilt Guild:** 8 hours of meeting time.
- **Social Respite Program:** 5 hours of public programming.

The Growth Team

- **Inaugural Church Picnic:** On Sunday, August 9th, the Growth Team hosted our very first annual church picnic at DeWitt Park in Batavia!
- **Attendance:** About 30 people (and a few furry friends!) joined the fun.
- **Activities & Food:** Everyone brought a dish to pass and their own picnic setup, enjoying great food, games, and wonderful conversation with fellow churchgoers.
- **Save the Date:** It was such a success that we've already booked next year! Mark your calendars for our next picnic on August 8th at DeWitt Park.

Special Gifts & Donations



- **Regular Offerings:** The congregation generously donated \$14,393 in regular offerings during August.
- **Presbytery Support:** Paid our \$7,360 per capita contribution (for our 184 members) to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley, supporting the PCUSA General Assembly, the Synod of the Northeast, and our local Presbytery.
- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** Sponsored the upcoming December 5th "Sweet Dreams for the Holidays" Build Date with a \$3,000 donation from our Merrill Lynch Benevolence fund.
- **Estate Gift:** Received a generous \$25,000 unrestricted gift as the first distribution from the estate of Mrs. Janet Lee, which was deposited into our investment account.
- **Boiler Replacement:** Paid a \$45,000 downpayment to Arctic Refrigeration Company for our boiler upgrade project, funded by the Winston Pottle investments.