

Mission Committee

Mission Committee Guiding Principles

- † Ascension has an array of missions that serve individuals in need, the earth-care, and community wellness/justice.
- † Ascension's missions will respect differences.
- † Ascension will support a balance and continuum of missions.
 - From local to global
 - From once a year to ongoing
 - From emergency relief to root causes
 - From individual to group (e.g., youth, women) to congregation-wide efforts
 - Missions that serve a variety of needs
 - Spiritual
 - Environmental
 - Health/Well Being
 - Food/Poverty
 - Jobs/Housing
 - Social Justice

Mission Committee Goals

1. All members will participate in Ascension's missions.
2. Ascension will contribute 10% of its budget to local and synodical benevolence.
3. Ascension will maintain a balance of missions.

2009 Missions/Ministries

- Ascension Child Care
- Burlington Emergency Shelter Meals
- Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf
- Christmas Child
- Christmas Lutheran Church, sister church in Palestine
- Coffee Project
- Cooperative Christian Ministry
- Giving Tree
- Good News Garage
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hunger Appeal
- Interfaith Power and Light
- JUMP (Joint Urban Ministry Project)
- Meals on Wheels
- Mount of Olives Housing Project
- ONE Campaign
- PINS (Partners in Service)
- Relay for Life
- Respite House
- SCHIP: Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Project
- Vermont Ecumenical Council and Bible Society
- Vermont Interfaith Action
- Women's activities (examples, cell phone recycling and sewing kits)
- Individual appeals (examples, Penguin Plunge and youth to New Orleans)