Greetings St. Paul Lutheran Church!

Another big thank you to all who donated for Alta Vista Elementary School teacher gift cards. We raised \$1,335 for them. Here is a picture of me handing them off to the school representative. She was so appreciative for them.



We know St. Paul never stops serving the community. The gift cards helped serve elementary school kids and now we have an opportunity to serve senior citizens. Lutheran Services of Florida in Sarasota helps low-income seniors with a variety of services. At Christmastime they often give them shoeboxes filled with gifts like socks, lotions, puzzle books, Bibles, etc. Well, these shoeboxes are really needed all year round. This is where we can come in. For our God's Work Our Hands Sunday service project we are collecting shoeboxes and gifts that can fit in them. We'll collect all the items now and then on September 7 after worship we'll fill the shoeboxes. So please bring in shoeboxes as soon as possible. Our students in the Early Childhood Learning Center will decorate them for us. There will be bins in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall for them.

Here is the list of items. Most can be bought at a Dollar store.

lotion/moisturizer Bibles

word puzzle and word search books shampoo/conditioner

gripper socks toothbrushes/toothpaste

pens and pencils chapstick

kleenex small flashlights or nightlight

notepads other small items (not candles or breakable

items)

Thank you for all you do to make a difference in the community!

God bless

-PrAshley