

ESSENTIAL NEWS

We welcome the stranger and stand with those who live on the margins.

St Elizabeth's is a non-food Essentials Pantry. A ministry dedicated to the advancement of the principles of mercy and justice, to offer assistance to those in need and a commitment to end the circumstances which oppress and marginalize those who seek a helping hand.

A note from the Executive Director...

There is much to celebrate at St. Elizabeth's as summer gets underway! In May we gave thanks to out-going Board members **Linda Draper** (St. Bart's) and **Stan Eaton** (St. Mary's) for their many years of service and faithful leadership. Additionally, we welcomed onto the Board **Jonathan McCormick** (St. Peter's), **Harriet Davis** (St. Bart's) and **Susan Mills** (St Mary's)

June brought the exciting news of a generous \$5,000 grant from the Sam L. Cohen Foundation, allowing us to provide additional essential necessities for our neighbors.

We celebrated with former volunteers, **Dallyse and Merline**, as they completed their CNA training programs and are now poised to enter the workforce.



As always, we remain grateful for our dedicated volunteers who give of themselves each week and truly live out our mission of welcoming those in need with dignity and compassion. During these summer months, please remember and uphold those who come to our doors seeking assistance. Their journeys are not easy, but their smiles and hugs of gratitude each week tell the true story of St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry.

Best wishes,
Sarah Coburn Borgeson, executive director



L'arbre à palavers is a traditional meeting place in many West African cultures- often a large shaded tree where village elders and community members gather.

During the summer we roll out the chalkboard and wooden pews as we chat over coffee, make connections and build community with our neighbors.



Board member **Liz Stover** came across this iron Arabic sculpture and asked one of our neighbor's to translate. It means Allah is the one God. It now hangs in **Mahmoud's** house.



Nanette encouraging young readers to take books home on diaper day.

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