5 and 2 Hunger Ministry

<u>Mission</u> As growing disciples of Jesus Christ, we want to benefit homeless and hungry people in our community by providing cash, groceries and lunches to ministries that help these people sustain themselves and enable them to get into a situation where they can ultimately thrive in life. We will do this by generating cash, independent of the church's operating budget through sales of grocery gift cards.

We grow Disciples of Jesus Christ through . . .

- Sell Publix & Kroger gift cards at face value to support food pantries & hunger missions in our community
- Maintain SPSP MUST Ministries food collection stations
- Hold 2 MUST Ministries food drives a year during Lent and Thanksgiving seasons
- Support Holy Comforter church by making over 200 lunches for them at the beginning of Advent
- Provide cards to SPSP Clergy to support Family Promise and pastoral needs that involve feeding the hungry
- 4% of every Kroger card sale and 3% of every Publix card sale supports these hunger ministries in our midst, in addition to supporting Holy Comforter:
 - o MUST Ministries food pantry collect food for them, support their pantry with a donation every year
 - Center for Family Resources in Marietta shelter with ongoing food pantry needs to feed homeless families as they get back on their feet
 - Cobb County Meals on Wheels this organization's mission is to feed people who cannot get out of their residences due to illness or disability, we support their food pantry to help ensure continuous door to door food service to those who need it
- In 2017 and 2018 combined, we donated \$4,300 to local ministries and expect to give more in 2019, specifics
 - we have donated \$1500 to Cobb County Meals on Wheels and Center for Family Resources
 - o provided 150 lunch size bags of food for members of Holy Comforter
 - o provided \$750 in Kroger and Publix Gift cards to help members in our own Church
 - o we plan to donate \$1500 of food to MUST Ministry for their Food Pantry

Value of this Ministry in one's walk with Christ

- For recipients consistently provides more than \$2,000 a year in proceeds from card sales to 4 different ministries who use the proceeds to provide valuable, tangible help to people who qualify for their assistance.
- For SPSP participants satisfaction that we have provided assistance to local ministries that provide a critical service to desperate families that need help to get back on their feet

SPSP Volunteer Time Commitment

- Most volunteers spend about 15 minutes once a month selling cards at the 5 & 2 table
- Volunteers with specific roles such as calendar or card management spend 1-2 hours a month and some volunteers with more active roles spend 1-2 hours every one to two weeks finances or day to day activities