

**Outreach Committee Charge**  
**April 26, 2022, revised May 10, 2023**

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the Outreach Committee is to facilitate St. John's in the whole, and individual parishioners, to serve outside the church walls.

**Membership:**

Any parishioner with an interest in serving the larger world is welcome as a member of the Outreach Committee. The position of Committee Chair will rotate among committee members. At the first meeting of a calendar year, a schedule of committee chairs shall be determined. The Chair for a particular month is responsible for seeing that any work required due to committee decisions is carried out in a timely manner.

**Meeting Frequency:**

The committee will meet at least nine times per year.

**Role and Function:**

1. Allocate to non-profits organizations with a record of fiscal responsibility funds provided for outreach in the general budget by the vestry. Particular attention will be for national and international need, and with notice and justification to the congregation for choices made. **During times of emergencies (e.g., pandemics, floods, fires), the committee may allocate funds to more local needs and/or make a special appeal to the parish as a whole for funds.**
2. Engage the parish in outreach ministries.
3. Research, educate and motivate parishioners concerning needs beyond the church to which they may wish to contribute individually or as a group with particular attention to national and international needs.
4. Organize work and/or funding for projects undertaken outside the parish.
5. Develop parish procedures re: the spending of The Community Project Fund

when the vestry designates such to the committee.

6. Investigate and communicate about the outreach efforts of parishioners in their lives and work