

DOCUMENTING OUR MINISTRIES

MINISTRY: RAHAB'S SISTERS

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MINISTRY DESCRIPTION:

Rahab's Sisters is a ministry with homeless women and female sex workers on 82nd Ave. The ministry operates on Friday evenings, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., offering hospitality, a light meal, clothing and conversation.

Rahab's Sisters gathers every Friday evening, but women from St. Michael's are only required to gather on the 2nd Friday of every month, from about 6:45 pm to 10:00 pm, at Sts. Peter & Paul Episcopal Church, 8147 SE Pine St., Portland.

People can become involved by contacting the coordinator and attending the 2nd Friday gathering. They will need to complete a brief application and be approved by the Board of Directors? the team leader? by someone - not me! People can also provide personal items for the guests which can be placed in the colorful box in the Gallery of St. Michael's. The items will be delivered to Rahab's Sisters on an ongoing basis.

TASKS INVOLVED IN THIS MINISTRY:

Open Sts. Peter and Paul Episcopal Church (usually the team leader does this)

Pick up food from Grace Memorial Church at approximately 6:15 pm (only one person does this)

Deliver food to Sts. Peter and Paul Episcopal Church by 6:45

If there is any shortage of food, or some element is missing (like bread or half & half), procure these items at the Safeway which is about a block away

Cover tables in fellowship hall with table cloths

Put candles on the tables and in the windows. Light the candles

Put coffee warmers, cream, sugar, spoons, coffee cups, and tea on the tables

Make coffee and warm water for tea and set on coffee warmers.

Pray for the Sisters and the guests

Put clothing and personal items (condoms, tampons etc.) out on tables for guests