

From Father Bill

This article is a living example of a ministry that acts on what the members pray. This following prayer is adapted from page 11 of the Prayers for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew:

Lord, as you have given us all a part to play in the life of your Church, we thank you for this opportunity and the grace to serve the Food Bank of the Albemarle, and through it to serve you in honor and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



On Saturday, Aug 2nd, six members of the Christ Church Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew volunteered at the Food Bank of the Albemarle to pack boxes of food supplies for those with food insecurity in our 15-county area. They assembled and packed over 200 boxes with canned goods, pasta, canned meat, beans, milk and breakfast items. That represents about 10% of what is distributed in a month to senior neighborhoods!

Thanks to Maggie Rudd, Community Engagement & Volunteer Coordinator for instructing the members of the Brotherhood (Frank Heath, James Jones, Jeff Terry, Gary Cooper, Danny Jennings and

Conrad Jones) on the most efficient way to run the packing assembly line! 1 in 6 neighbors in northeastern North Carolina are currently facing hunger and food insecurity, which includes 1 in 4 *children*. The Food Bank supports 100 local food pantries and feeding programs to serve over 46,000 neighbors annually.

The Food Bank of the Albemarle first started in St. Philip's Chapel over 20 years ago and it was so great to see our volunteering from the Episcopal Church is still ongoing!