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- Part of one special offering went to support the Children's Home Society.

We supported hunger relief.

- For Souper Bowl Sunday, members, friends, and our scouts collected cans of soup and donations of money to support our Loaves and Fishes Hunger Program. We collected over seventy cans of soup and \$71. It's nice that it helps out locally!
- We sent \$42 to Mountaineer Food Bank to help pay to have donated deer meat cut and packaged for distribution to the hungry. This is our highest amount so far!
- Several folks sent at least \$12 to The Society of St. Andrew for hunger programs. \$12 will provide 800 meals!
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We supported the ministry in Central Asia of PC(USA) mission worker Nadia Ayoub.

- We collected \$165.40 to help offset Nadia's expenses. We also sent her more than twenty-five dozen colored pencils and school supplies for her students. She was so grateful for all she received!
- Through Operation Christmas Child we sent over forty shoeboxes to children in third-world countries and collected an additional \$128 to help ship the boxes. Nadia's students receive these boxes! Our Cub Scouts collected seventeen boxes in just one week.
- During "Nadia Ayoub Week," the women at the Woods helped collect supplies and make boxes. Some folks donated supplies and money. Again, we collected our largest amount so far.

And it doesn't end there!

- We sent over eight dozen cookies to Hospice for distribution to area physicians as thanks for their dedication and care. Some lucky doctor received cookies from Annabelle!
- We sent \$118 to Massanetta Springs for the camp and conference center. Our special offerings (One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peacemaking, and Christmas Joy) netted over \$500!
- We collected \$46 and a variety of pet foods during the Blessing of the Animals service.
- Under the leadership of the Presbyterian Men, over \$1,000 was raised and lots of good food was enjoyed by community folks!
- Vicki was able to raise \$200 in her walk for Relay for Life in honor of her friend Anne Deardorff. Thanks to those of Hedgesville Presbyterian who helped!
- Bill Alger donated \$1,000 for the new sign that C. J. Sibole completed for his Eagle Scout project.
- Lita Howard-Gois planned a great egg hunt at Easter, and while it was cold and attendance was low, our community outreach was extended to the Hedgesville community. Several folks donated food, money, and prizes.

You see, a small church can do great things when we pull together!

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