

## WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING...

"I have made so many friends here, it is unbelievable."

*"This is the best place for me to come and spend time with my kids."*

"It's so nice not to have to cook and do the dishes one night a week!"

"I re-connected with my neighbor from years ago at Community Dinners."

"This is the best meal we eat all week. Thank you First Presbyterian Church."

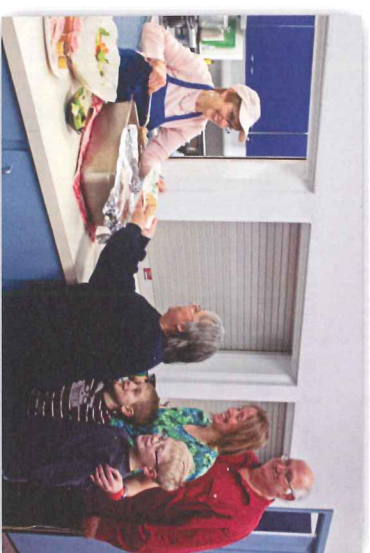
*"If it was not for Community Dinners I would be eating alone."*

## ALL ARE WELCOME!



First Presbyterian Church  
502 N. 8th St.  
Manitowoc, WI 54221

Community Dinners at  
First Presbyterian Church



Serving meals

**every Wednesday**  
**5:30PM - 6:30PM**



Building Community by  
Feeding Body and Soul

Corner of 8th & State Streets  
502 N. 8th St., Manitowoc



# COMMUNITY DINNERS



## How it Evolved...

Since 2008, the Community Dinners ministry has provided weekly meals to anyone and everyone in the Manitowoc community.

These Wednesday night dinners, held in the Fellowship Hall of First Presbyterian Church, continue to be an opportunity for people to build friendships, provide encouragement to others, feed their body and souls, and become part of a much larger family.



Meetings with the Health Department and local supermarkets provided the initial community support to make this ministry successful. A grant from the Winnebago Presbytery allowed our success to continue.

Area agencies, churches, and businesses are generous supporters of the ministry. The Community Dinners ministry continues to grow stronger each year!

## Community Support...

Our success is only possible through partnerships with the Manitowoc community. We are grateful that so many have stepped forward to make our community healthier and stronger, including...

- ◆ Civic Clubs
- ◆ Restaurants and Bakeries
- ◆ Local Farmers
- ◆ Salvation Army of Manitowoc
- ◆ Friends and Members of First Presbyterian Church in Manitowoc
- ◆ Anonymous Donors from throughout the Community

*I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was lonely and you visited with me.*

**Jesus, the Son of God**

**All are welcome at Community Dinners every Wednesday from 5:30PM-6:30PM. We are located on the corner of 8th and State Streets in downtown Manitowoc.**

## How it All Works...

Much of our food is purchased in bulk. Experienced, state-certified food handlers plan, order, and prepare healthy, economical meals for the community.

Each meal begins with a prayer and a review of the menu, and any portion guidelines, if needed.



There are set-up and clean-up teams that take care of those aspects of the ministry. Many community members participate in these teams.

Many of the Community Dinners are themed, including: a Halloween party, Veteran's Day celebration, Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings, and other family-fun nights.

There is no charge for the meal. As a faith-based organization we understand that not everyone is able to financially contribute. Any donations, whether monetary or giving of time/talent, are gladly accepted.