

Date: October 4, 2012  
Time: 11:00 AM  
Location: St. Mark's  
Lutheran Church

Those in attendance –  
Don Niefer – St. Mark's  
Robert Barr – Salvation  
Army  
Leslie Cady – Church of  
Jesus Christ of LDS  
Brent Pomeroy – First  
Christian  
Norm Almanson –  
Dayspring  
Nick Kulik – United Way  
Denise Foos – St. Aloysius  
Jeff Sorrells – First  
Presbyterian  
Jo Tutolo – St. Aloysius

*Our Mission:  
Through understanding,  
communication, compassion,  
and cooperation, Wood County  
Area Ministries, an interfaith  
network, will equip and  
organize its members to better  
serve the underserved in our  
community.*

*Our Vision:  
Wood County Area Ministries  
seeks to meet the basic needs  
of the people in our  
community through faith and  
compassion by empowering  
them to live self-sufficient and  
spiritually fulfilled lives.*

- **Welcome and Opening Prayer** - Don Neifer  
INTRODUCTION - Don Kulik United Way
- **Old Business:**  
**Up-date on WAM volunteers**  
Lost 2 volunteers – a new volunteer has filled in and a few more are willing to help  
**Feed the 5000?** Not this Fall. wait until Lent  
**Bob Evans food program** – collection will be taken at Bob Evans and our name "Wood County Area Ministries" will be on the box. We will then decided together the families that will receive the food. Everyone is encouraged to participate.
- **New Business:** Updates of those present –  
**Salvation Army** – Kettle funds can be used but money is tight. still waiting on Federal Funds. Some utility \$ coming in from WSOS  
Collecting Coats for Kids – need churches willing to take collection boxes  
**First Christian Church** - Nov. 18 at 7pm  
offering will be collected for WAM, everyone invited to attend  
Nick Kulik from **United Way** – emergency food and shelter fund has some money, will distribute soon  
Jeff Sorrells **First Presbyterian** – Deacon's Closet going well  
Norm Almanson **Day Spring** Celebrate Recovery – meets Fridays  
Amanda Valentine contact  
**Food pantry** at St. Al served 337 adults 116 children last month but lots more over the summer  
Don Neifer **St. Mark's** Furniture pantry serving those in need of furniture.  
**Mentor for budgeting** – Blessed John gives regular classes on unemployment and budgeting  
United Way does free tax prep – interested in budgeting classes if we offer them for these same  
Group formed to organize a budgeting program for WAM – Jeff Sorrell and Leslie Cady will look at this
- **Financial Report**  
Three months reported *see attached reports*
- **Service Report from Other Ministries**  
**Christian Food pantry** – potential project building on property of First Christian Church to store food and WAM office. First United Methodist thinking same thing
- **Next Meeting** – third Thursdays quarterly  
**11:00 Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> next meeting at  
First Presbyterian Church on Church St.**
- **Closing Prayer** - Brent Pomeroy