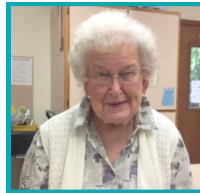


Love in Action

Wrapped in Love - SLC Quilting Ministry

What would stretch from the Bainbridge ferry terminal to the Martha & Mary Center in Poulsbo?? The 9,687 quilts that SLC's Quilting Ministry has created for Lutheran World Relief since 1981...to help wrap the world in God's love!



Actually the number of total quilts is much larger, for according to Hilma Bridges (left), this is the 50th year of a faithful ministry started by a small group of quilters at SLC in 1969...among them Christine (Erickson) Royset, Corella Rasmussen, Coretta Holland and Ellen Hilleslend. Wonderful 3'X 9' tables made by Mel Junell & others enabled the women to work easily on their quilts in the daylight basement of the old church on Silverdale Way. When SLC moved to Ridgetop, the tables came with them. Hilma has been part of the quilters for all these years, but now she helps prepare the coffee and goodies for a late morning break...yes, there is always time for sharing delicious food and friendly conversation!

The SLC Quilting Ministry involves a team of folks...some choosing fabrics, others cutting and piecing, others sewing and ironing, and a couple stitching on the final border to finish the quilt. Quite a process, but a good number of quilts are completed each week. You don't need to know how to sew to be a part of this team, but they will gladly teach you if you wish. All that is required is a deep love of making a difference in our world which shines brightly through the smiles of these faithful women. *Thanks, quilters, for doing God's amazing work through your hands!*



In 2018, Julie Harpel, LWR coordinator, boxed up 274 quilts and took them over to Seattle for shipment to LWR. During 2018, SLC contributed \$1,303.69 to shipping costs and the purchasing of batting & other quilting supplies.



In addition to those donated to LWR, the quilters create other beautiful quilts to share. In 2018, 8 quilts were given to The Coffee Oasis' new youth shelter, 2 quilts to Benedict House and several others as gifts for special occasions. There is always an extra quilt in the closet for someone who walks through the doors of SLC in an emergency and needs some extra warmth.

SLC's Quilting Ministry meets every Monday morning at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!!

How can you help? The quilters are always in need of spools of thread, any size fabric, cotton crochet thread, gently used sheets (regular or flannel) and wool blankets.



God's work. Our hands.