

PADS Homeless Ministry Volunteers

Purpose: SPLC partners with the "Journeys: The Road Home" organization, where volunteers provide food and shelter to the homeless in our community via a program called PADS. This ministry contributes to our church mission of leading people to a full life in Christ by helping them to serve the Lord by helping others.



Responsible to and supported by: The St. Peter PADS volunteer organization is supported by and responsible to: Pat Polerecky, PADS coordinator. Pat is supported by the Community Partners team and Karen Kogler, Director of Equipping.

Job duties: The PADS program operates from the beginning of October through the end of April. St. Peter volunteers serve, along with Our Saviour's Lutheran Church members, every Monday of each week of those months. Prepare or assemble dinner for the homeless. Prepare entrees, vegetables, side dishes or desserts at home and bring the meals to OSLC. You can also choose to work at the site on different shifts. Social distance and Covid 19 protocols in effect. All volunteers must be fully vaccinated. Sign-up can be accessed through our newsletter, Fully Alive.

Time requirement: The amount of time required depends on the shift you sign-up for.

Length of commitment: There is no set commitment. A volunteer can sign-up to work one time, or every week. St. Peter volunteers serve at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1234 N. Arlington Heights Road, just two blocks east of St. Peter.

Training: There is an orientation class that you must attend before you serve for the first time. All volunteers must be over 16 years of age.

Skills/qualifications: No special skills required, only a heart to serve the Lord.

Benefits to the volunteer: This ministry provides multi-generational serving opportunities and builds fellowship among the volunteers as we serve the Lord together.