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More than 14 years ago, First Lutheran Church in Bryan, Ohio, made a commitment to serve its neighborhood, a diverse community of lower-middle-income working families. Gifts to ELCA World Hunger helped support and grow the church’s food and Fellowship program in 2003.

Gifts went toward expanding the food pantry, and the congregation began a Sunday supper series, offering nutritious meals enjoyed and prepared by neighborhood residents. The dinners are followed by a program, topics ranging from health and nutrition to growing a community garden. Inspired by one of the speakers, the congregation started its own garden, which has been a blessing for the food pantry and a great educational tool for the community.

The congregation’s commitment to their neighborhood has meant change. “Part of the process has been educating our traditional members that not everybody coming to church today is going to look like them or act like them, and that’s OK,” Emily Ebaugh, a member since 1984, says. “This ministry has been transformational to our church.”

Today, the once tiny food pantry offers neighbors a selection of fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh and frozen meat, canned goods and toiletries. Allowing residents to make their own food selection empowers them, Ebaugh said, and helps ensure that food is used and not wasted.

Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger help our church love and serve our neighbors. Much of the work made possible in the United States supports new or expanding community efforts to address hunger. Thank you for helping our church be a place our sisters and brothers can turn to in their time of need.

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