

Membership and Outreach Team 2021

“Grateful for Connections”

The M&O Team connected with each other as a team to prepare for church activities, and those times together were both productive and fun.

We connected in the church kitchen to prepare for First Pres’s Easter drive-thru experience. Cindi procured some amazing food coloring and we frosted dozens of sugar cookies in brilliant springy, jewel-tones colors and individually wrapped the cookies. This was our first in-person activity of the year and we practiced caution: masking and each working in a zone in the big kitchen to help us keep our distance and stay as safe as possible.

On Easter morning, the team connected with everyone that came to the drive-through event. We hosted the “farewell station”, which was the final station of the event. From that station (pictured) we handed out gift bags with Easter sugar cookies, chocolates, and other items . Not only did we share treats, we also shared moments of connecting: greeting old friends and new faces and passing on our Easter blessings and thanks for each person’s participation in the event.



In early September, the team connected again in the church kitchen, prepping for Kick-Off Sunday. We happily hosted the food station (pictured) and connected with everyone who stopped by the food tent where the team provided hamburgers and hot dogs, pasta salad, and cookies. **We are grateful for those opportunities to catch up with each other, sharing concerns and joys.**

In October, we again connected around food— *which seems to be our theme this year!* We joined together early on the afternoon of Trunk or Treat to prepare for the event: baking pans and pans of Mac and Cheese, heating hot dogs and making hot chocolate. The weather cooperated so that we could connect with participants outside under the food tent again. We met church neighbors and old friends! Again, we’re grateful for opportunities to safely connect!

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