



Saturday Evening Providing/Serving Dinner

Resources: Usually 2 families or a group of volunteers. Arrive around 5:00 PM or 5:30 PM depending on how much prep work remains.

Volunteer Responsibilities:

- Provide and serve dinner for 15 neighbors, 2 overnight hosts, 1 afternoon van driver, possibly the month captain and the dinner crew. Share the meal and fellowship with the neighbors if possible and clean up the Room in the Inn kitchen after dinner.

Dinner Suggestions and Guidelines

- The best received meals include meat, starch and vegetables. Hamburgers are popular, and stews over rice or noodles are well received. Also, lasagna or casseroles work well (but note that neighbors receive a lot of lasagna at various churches, so creativity is appreciated).
- If you are going to make chili or another hearty meal where you control how spicy it is made, make sure it is made on the “mild side,” as anything spicy may cause an upset stomach.
- Soup and salad are not sufficient as the evening meal. Something heartier works better.
- The RITI kitchen downstairs is available for your use. The kitchen has a small stove with 2 burners, a standard size oven and a microwave oven.
- The following supplies are provided: Dinner plates, eating utensils, cups, coffee makers and dish detergent.
- The following meal supplies are provided: Decaffeinated coffee - have available during dinner and the evening; decaffeinated iced tea, lemonade mix and salad dressings.
- Where possible, meals may be prepared ahead of time and re-heated or mixed for serving.
- PLEASE SERVE GUESTS DECAFFEINATED BEVERAGES AT NIGHT
- Place placemats on the tables and set the tables in the RITI dining room.
- Get a container of ice around 6pm; the ice machine is outside of the upstairs kitchen, just off of Heaton Hall. You can use empty pitchers, or pots and pans from the RITI kitchen.
- 6:30pm Serve dinner – we recommend that you portion food to the guests to make sure there is plenty to go around. Use one table for serving.
- If there are leftovers that will hold up without refrigeration, leave them out for snacking. The overnight host will put them away later as needed.
- 7:00pm – 7:15pm Clean Up: Clear all dishes and place dirty dishes in dishwasher. Run dishwasher. Clean pots and pans.

PLEASE LET THE MONTH CAPTAIN KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY NEEDED SUPPLIES.