

2021-2022 Room in the Inn Q&A

Room in the Inn is BACK and we need your help! As all things go with Covid, Trinity's Room in the Inn will look a bit different for this year. Trinity will be partnering with Sardis Presbyterian Church to help run a program to house eight guests once a week.

Have questions? Check out more information below about how this relationship and ministry will look this year.

- Why did we choose to partner with Sardis Presbyterian Church rather than host at Trinity this year?

In the interest of safety for our guests and our volunteers, the leadership for Room in the Inn and Mission & Outreach decided we would not be able to safely socially distance 12 guests in the Fellowship Hall. Sardis Presbyterian was looking for a partner to help run their RITI program. They have a unique facility where guests can sleep in separate rooms and the overnight hosts will have a separate space in which to sleep. Sardis is in need of volunteers to help provide dinner, lunch, breakfast, overnight hosts, and some supplies for 4 nights during the RITI season. By partnering, both of our churches are able to contribute to this much needed ministry.

- Is this a permanent relationship with Sardis?

As of right now, no! This is a one season commitment for the 2021 – 2022 Room in the Inn year.

- When will Trinity be helping Sardis?

Trinity has signed up to help for the 4 Sundays in February and will consider additional dates if needed.

- How many volunteers does Trinity need each week for the month of February?

Each Sunday night, we will need

- Two Overnight Hosts
- A group/family/individual to provide dinner (to be dropped off at Sardis)
- A group/family/individual to provide a grab and go breakfast in the morning
- A group/family/individual to provide bagged lunches.

Learn more about each volunteer need in the Sign-Up Genius.

- What are the safety protocols for volunteers and guests?
 - Volunteers and guests are required to wear a mask and socially distance when in each other's presence. The overnight hosts will not be sleeping in the same room as the guests. The hosts will share a room with each other, which is large enough to socially distance and sleep on opposite sides of the room. Meal volunteers will drop off the meals. The Overnight Hosts will serve dinner to the guests.

- How can I help without being in person?
 - Volunteer to make dinner, provide a grab and go breakfast, or eight bagged lunches. Learn more about what is needed in the Sign-Up Genius!
 - Be on the lookout in our Weekly Word for supply donations needed!

- What about drivers?

Sardis will provide transportation for the guests and will not need volunteers for driving.

- What about Laundry?

Sardis has a laundromat that does all of the RITI laundry so we will not need laundry volunteers.

- How do I sign up?

Sign up through our Sign-Up Genius and if you have more questions reach out to Tricia Sistrunk at sistrunkt@icloud.com or Rev. Rebecca Heilman at rheilman@trinitypreschurch.org .