Outreach programs are designed to connect with people in a community, be of benefit to them and support social needs. The Susan Wells Crock-Pot program, operated from Trinity United Church in Collingwood, is a successful, growing outreach program which recently attracted the attention of District 17, Simcoe County branch of the Retired Teachers of Ontario (RTO/ERO).

The Susan Wells Crock-Pot program is spearheaded by volunteer Barbara Sneyd, a member of the Trinity United Church congregation. She saw the need for the program, recognizing that some people do not have kitchens in which to cook. A crock-pot, she decided, serves well for people who want to cook in smaller spaces.

Through the Susan Wells Crock-Pot program, participants learn to cook small meals in a crock-pot. Participants receive a free crock-pot and Barbara Sneyd has produced a small cookbook which provides recipes for cooking with a crock-pot. She runs the Susan Wells Crock-Pot program with the help of volunteers from Trinity United Church.

A new series of crock-pot cooking classes will begin in January 2020 and details will be available from the Trinity United Church office or on the Trinity United Church, Collingwood, website.

Support for the program has come from Trinity United Church members and also from the Retired Teachers of Ontario, District 17, Simcoe County through its Service To Others program. Paul Healy, president of the District 17 group, and Carole Allen, a past-president of the District 17 group, made a donation of \$3,978.00 to Barbara Sneyd recently in support of the Susan Wells Crock-Pot program. The donation was made at the end of one of Sneyd's crock-pot cooking classes.

Susan Wells was a member of Trinity United Church. The crock-pot outreach program was created in her memory after she was killed on a mission to visit an orphanage in Africa about nine years ago.

For more details about the crock-pot program, or if you would like to make a donation, or for information about any other aspect of Trinity United Church, call 705-445-3901, or click on www.collingwoodunitedchurch.ca.

Among other outreach programs, Trinity United Church presents a community dinner once a month as part of a schedule of such dinners involving other Collingwood churches. Dinners are provided to attendees at no charge, with no questions asked. The dinners are cooked at Trinity by volunteers who provide food and also do the dishes!

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