

Mission Service Activity of the Month

March 2023: Thank you First Responder Kits

During emergencies or accidents, our local police, fire, and rescue teams are the first ones to respond. Many of these workers are volunteers. They bless our communities every day. We can show our love and care by lifting them up in our prayers and gifting them with Thank You Kits. Call your local precinct or firehouse and connect with their chaplain to ask about the specific needs of their officers, firefighters, or paramedics. Include your congregation in gathering items for donation. Have the children in the congregation color thank you pages to include with your kits.



First Responder Kit

- 1. Drawstring bag to contain items
- 2. Hand sanitizer
- 3. Pocket tissues
- 4. Band-Aids
- 5. Beef jerky / Slim Jim
- 6. Energy bars/granola bars
- 7. Trail mix packets
- 8. Powdered electrolyte replacement drink mix
- 9. Chewing gum/hard candy/mints

- 10. Cough drops
- 11. A gift card to a local coffee shop
- 12. Lip balm
- 13. Bottled water
- 14. Small spiral memo pad and pen
- Mustard Seeds <u>Simple Trust</u> or <u>Living in Faith</u> from Concordia Publishing House
- 16. Note of thanks with an indication that you are praying for them

Gospel Focus

Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you (Deuteronomy 31:6).

Devotion as you plan

Share this LWML devotion Caring for the Caregiver.

Prayer as you Plan

Dear Heavenly Father, each first responders' workday requires them to be prepared and ready for whatever may come. Give them the ability to stand strong. Fill them with courage. Help them be aware of Your presence and see You in every challenging situation. In Jesus name, we pray, Amen.

