



Numbers on a chart really don't tell much of a story but these numbers are an important part of the story that unfolds at Market Square Church every Sunday morning from 8:00AM – 9:00AM. This is the hour that our church feeds a hot breakfast to 100 - 145 hungry people. Some of them have spent the night on the street, some of them in their homes or in shelters. All of them are looking for a hot meal and warm hospitality and every Sunday they receive both when they attend our Sunday Breakfast.

There are many helpful and important feeding ministries in Harrisburg, but I believe there is one thing that makes ours different from the others. Read how the morning unfolds for our guests and see if you can tell the difference!

When guests enter fellowship hall, they're invited to a seat at one of our tables set with napkins, metal silverware, and a basket with coffee fixings like cream and sugar. Breakfast volunteers are already circulating and bringing juice and fresh fruit. As guests flip over their ceramic coffee cups, another volunteer will swoop in and fill it with fresh coffee. A plated hot breakfast is set before each guest. As guests eat, coffee servers continue to circulate filling cups as requested and if there is enough food, seconds are brought out for those who wish. Perhaps you've realized that what sets our breakfast apart is the service! Out of necessity, many meals in the city are served out of Styrofoam containers on the street or served buffet style with limited time for eating. We're glad to be able to offer guests the same hospitality we appreciate receiving when dining in a restaurant or in someone's home. At least for an hour, we hope it makes them feel seen and honored.

This type of service and hospitality takes more people and while the breakfast is officially served from 8-9:00 there is more that goes on behind the scenes. Beginning at 6:30AM our staff Sunday Sexton begins the work of getting the kitchen appliances turned on and the coffee started. The kitchen leader for the day, one of our Market Square members, arrives at about 7:00AM. That person is responsible for coordinating the efforts of all the morning's volunteers. On the 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month that means working with other MSPC volunteers to both cook and serve breakfast. On the other Sundays, outside church groups come in to cook and Market Square volunteers serve and clean up. Every Sunday, the volunteers are also invited to sit down for breakfast and fellowship after they've served our guests. This time of connection is an important part of what happens Sunday morning. It's about doing God's work together and getting to know one another too. Finally, after everyone has eaten the whole crew of volunteers finishes the clean up and attends Sunday morning worship at 11:00.

Are you intrigued? Is this something of which you'd like to be a part? We can always use more volunteers! In fact, we need more volunteers! Since Covid our pool of volunteers has changed but also shrunk a bit. We're trying to share responsibility for the breakfast more widely among church members too. It is a centerpiece of the way we do hands-on service at Market Square. If you'd like to get your name on a list of volunteers, please contact volunteer scheduler Jim Terry (jaterry5605@gmail.com). THIS SUNDAY you can find him in the atrium after worship where he'll be ready to sign you up. He can answer questions too as can Alice Ann Schwab, Cindy Bendroth, and Kevin Burrell to name a few. If you can't find any of these folks, feel free to contact Kim Wadlington and she'll make the connection for you!

**2022
Market Square Presbyterian Church Community Breakfast Program
Sunday Morning Schedule**

Dates	Number of Guests Served/Notes			Names
	Women	Men	Inf	
January 2	21	114	135	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
January 9	19	98	116	Table Life - Dave Smith
January 16	21	96	117	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
January 23	20	125	140	Craig Partridge & Friends
January 30	18	88	106	MSPC Youth - Jennifer Turner-Long
February 6	18	98	116	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
February 13	22	107	129	Table Life - Dave Smith
February 20	15	120	135	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
February 27	12	133	145	Craig Partridge & Friends
March 6	19	105	124	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
March 13	18	111	129	Table Life - Dave Smith
March 20	15	117	130	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
March 27	21	138	156	Craig Partridge & Friends
April 3	21	80	101	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
April 10	19	69	88	Table Life - Dave Smith
April 17	11	72	83	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
April 24	20	107	127	Craig Partridge & Friends
May 1	20	88	108	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
May 8	19	86	105	Table Life - Dave Smith
May 15	14	86	102	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
May 22	26	114	140	Craig Partridge & Friends
May 29	27	107	134	MSPC Youth - Jennifer Turner-Long
June 5	20	105	125	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
June 12	21	103	124	Table Life - Dave Smith
June 19	25	95	120	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
June 26	32	94	126	Craig Partridge & Friends
July 3	29	114	143	Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
July 10	20	107	129	Table Life - Dave Smith
July 17	25	110	135	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
July 24	24	106	130	Craig Partridge & Friends
July 31	26	99	125	MSPC Youth - Jennifer Turner-Long
August 7	26	110	136	MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
August 14	28	101	129	Table Life - Dave Smith
August 21				Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
August 28				Craig Partridge & Friends
September 4				Table Life - Dave Smith
September 11				Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
September 18				MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab
September 25				Craig Partridge & Friends
October 2				Bible Baptist - Wanda Works & Youth
October 9				Table Life - Dave Smith
October 16				MSPC - Alice Anne Schwab