



The work we do is important and rewarding, and truth be told, hard - sometimes exhausting. When that weight is heavy it is nice to know you have good friends to lighten the load. Many hands make light work.

We could not do the work that we do without the support of our larger community. We love our donors, our event sponsors, and our tireless volunteers. Put them all together and we have our Community Partners. They never look for praise and we can never say thank you enough. We will be sharing the stories of some of our friends here as we celebrate our 20th Anniversary as Community Place.

Our first installment honors our good friends at Peace of Christ Parish.



Peace of Christ Parish is a collection of three churches - St. Ambrose Church, St. James Church, and St John the Evangelist Church - all on Rochester's eastside. Our relationship with Peace of Christ stretches back over the past decade and has grown stronger over the years.

Led by their Social Ministry (and committee chairperson Marty Moynihan), Peace of Christ has been an integral piece of [The Annual Community Place Thanksgiving Dinner](#) - which at times has fed well over 300 neighbors in one

night. They provide cheerful volunteers to prep and serve the meal. They also take up a collection at the parish to help fund the dinner. The dinner is bookended in the fall by a [Back-to-School Supply Drive](#) that provides necessary school items for our younger program participants and then parish participation for our [Adopt-A-Family](#) program for the winter holiday.



That's not all folks! Peace of Christ Parish has also invited our CEO, Scott Benjamin, to speak at their *Annual Soup Supper* which helped to raise money and awareness of the many programs that Community Place has to offer. If that were not enough - a team of volunteers comes to our Parsells Avenue location every year for *Outreach Day*. The projects vary from year to year but usually involve a spring clean-up of the area outside our building and putting a fresh coat of paint on some of our well used indoor areas. They have done tree trimming, fence installation, and even created new office space out of oversized rooms!

Peace of Christ Parish is invested in the people who are their neighbors - it shows in all they do to support Community Place as an organization. We could not be happier to share our path with these friends.





Learn more about Peace of Christ Parish

Learn more about how YOU can help Community Place

Wait. . . Wait . . . Before you go - two more pieces of good news!!

Community Place CEO Scott Benjamin recently sat down for a conversation with Marti Casper on [Legends 102.7 RocTalk](#). [You can listen to the interview here.](#)

Finally, we were recently notified that our Youth Program (on behalf of The Community Place of Greater Rochester) was awarded the [Dr. Marie Watkins Community Partner Award by Nazareth College](#)!! [Read more about the award here!](#)

Help us congratulate our Youth Staff on this great honor!

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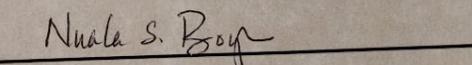
is presented to

The Community Place of Greater Rochester

in recognition of your time and energy partnering with Nazareth College faculty to co-educate Nazareth students through experiences that were rooted in reciprocity, and which addressed the priorities of our community as well as the students' learning outcomes.



President, Nazareth College



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