

Commission on Ministry WITH the Disabled

The Commission on Ministry with the Disabled works toward making life easier for people dealing with many different types of disabilities. We make grants to churches, and in some instances individuals, with that goal in mind. We sponsor **Come to the Table**, a service of recognition and support of those in our diocesan parishes and congregations who deal with disabilities

Based on our Baptismal Covenant, we strive to provide and promote the means for persons of every kind and disability, physical, mental, emotional, and developmental to be participants in the household of God, confess the faith of Christ Crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us (the Church) in his eternal priesthood.

The **Come to the Table** service pays tribute to many who, in the eyes of their parishes, give outstanding service to God, because of, or in spite of, all manner of differing abilities — autism, Down Syndrome, blindness, deafness, mobility issues, developmental disorders, mental, physical, and emotional conditions, CP, MS, those who “keep on truckin” in the face of serious pain, etc. The honorees list also includes people who directly minister to differently-abled people through support, transportation, enablement, and ennoblement. These people are named as Blessings to their church and communities.

In 2018 the Commission made grants to the following:

\$1000.00 to St. Barnabas, Monmouth Junction toward concrete repair to sidewalk damage/deterioration

\$1000.00 to Christ Church, Shrewsbury for their handicapped ramp

\$1500.00 to Christ Church Shrewsbury to begin work on making their lavatory area accessible

Donna Devlin, Chairperson, Commission on Ministry WITH the Disabled

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