

Peacemeal's *FreeSpace* ministry receives social ministry grant



The Diocese of Bethlehem's Social Ministry-Jubilee Committee annually awards a grant of \$1,000 to a parish seeking support for "a social ministry project that helps to bring about systemic change and satisfies a specific, local neighborhood need and creatively and effectively contributes to a greater awareness among parishioners and neighbors of the local parish as a place where people are "doers of the word and not hearers only," [James 1:22].

The Social Ministry Grant and Episcopal Good Neighbor Award was awarded this year to the project named *FreeSpace* submitted through Peacemeal, the

"emerging missional Christian community in the Scranton area, rooted in the Episcopal Church."

FreeSpace is a social ministry project created to offer "those in need in the Scranton area" a "sense of being at home" by providing food, clothing, a peaceful atmosphere, kindness, fellowship and other needed services.

Peacemeal would like to thank the Social Ministry-Jubilee Committee for their generous support. They would also like to thank St. Luke's, Scranton, for their partnership and hospitality in providing a place for *FreeSpace* to happen. Says Scott Bader-Saye, Peacemeal's founding member,



"St. Luke's support of *FreeSpace* models the kind of cooperative relationship that allows emergent and traditional communities to thrive alongside each other."