Scripture Reading: Hebrews 10:19-25

Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

In these strange times of Covid-19, there are so many moments we can encourage others to show love and do good deeds. We may sit alone in our homes or smile behind masks in public, isolated for our protection, but we can still do good deeds with love.

A food pantry, the safe place for abused women and children, the now-empty Boys and Girls Club, animal shelters, front line workers, teachers, patients and medical staff in hospitals, friends ailing emotionally or physically, they ALL need us. Perhaps we cannot be volunteers for now, but we can donate a case of canned beans, send a cheerful card, text or e-mail, make some phone calls or offer a monetary gift. As the saying goes: "One good deed deserves another." And so it will be.

As others hear of your efforts to contact others in need, they may be spurred on to do the same. God can nudge us at the strangest times. This is one of them. Feel that nudge and act on it.

*Prayer:* God, we beseech you to guide us, nudge us, towards giving freely of ourselves to those who need us. Help us remember that we too need loving care from others as we make our way through these strange times.

~ Submitted by Sherry Minnich for the Tenth Reading of Lent.