

Join us for a Crop Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 18 starting at 1 PM,
Monroe Wisconsin.

A group of local Monroe churches including Great Plains Zen Center in collaboration with the World Church Service, will host a CROP Hunger Walk. CROP Hunger Walks allow communities to come together to raise funds and awareness for the growing problem of hunger around the world. Our CROP Hunger Walk will have a 2.5 mile route and/or a 1 mile walk beginning at St John's United Church of Christ, 1724 14th St. in Monroe. **Registration starts at 12.** With educational information dotted along the way, the CROP Hunger Walk is a great way to be active, stay informed and make an impact.

Especially for youth groups: We will also have a contest for youth groups to make sculptures out of non-perishable food items (packages of spaghetti, cans, bottles, jars, etc.). More information, an entry form and world hunger facts can be found in this packet.

Who benefits? Partial proceeds will go to Green County Food Pantry and to hungry families around the globe. In Southern Wisconsin 1 in 5 children are hungry and food insecurity in the area is sharply increasing.

To join the Great Plains Zen Center team, please contact Myoyu Roshi at 847-951-8472 or s.myoyu.andersen@gmail.com. Pledge envelopes can be picked up at Countryside Church during Sunday night sitting or at Myoshinji Thursday through Sunday. This will be a wonderful opportunity to walk together with members of our Sangha and the community as a whole to raise vital funds to help end hunger. Let's have a great turnout!

**Crop Hunger Walk
October 18, 2015**

Entry Form for Non-Perishable Food Sculpture Contest

Please fill out the following and email to s.myoyu.andersen@gmail.com

Name of youth group: _____

Name of group leader: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Name of your sculpture: _____

Remember you must have completed sculpture in place at St. John's United Church of Christ, 1724 14th St., Monroe, WI, no later than 11:30 on Sunday AM, October 18.

Judging will take place at 12:50. Good luck!

**Questions? Call Susan Andersen at 847-951-8472
or email s.myoyu.andersen@gmail.com**

Attention Youth Groups!

On Sunday, October 18, St. John's United Church of Christ, in collaboration with other local churches and the World Church Service, will host a CROP Hunger Walk. Proceeds from the walk will go to Green County Food Pantry and to hungry families around the globe. Youth groups are invited to participate in the...

Non-perishable Food Sculpture Contest

- [Members of the youth group will design a food sculpture to be made out of non-perishable food items.
- [The design should relate in some way to Monroe. For example, it could be a cow, a cornstalk, something related to cheese, etc. **Remember: be creative! The sky is the limit!**
- [They will ask family, friends and congregations for donations of the non-perishable food items needed (such as canned goods, boxes of spaghetti, cereal, etc.)
- [Sculpture can be put together with tape, wood supports, etc. and can have accessory items, such as construction paper leaves, as long as it is primarily non-perishable food items accepted at the food pantry (see list attached).
- [Sculpture should be constructed on top of a sturdy sheet of plywood so that it can be transported via van or pick up truck.
- [Sculptures must be completed and brought to St. Johns United Church of Christ, 1724 14th St., Monroe, WI, no later than 11:30 on Sunday AM, October 18.
- [Groups have the option of building all or part of the sculpture at St. John's earlier that morning if the sculpture is too difficult to transport.
- [The sculptures will be judged by a panel of teachers from Monroe High School at 12:30 and the winners will be announced at 12:50, just before the start of the event.
- [Following the crop walk, the group is responsible for taking their sculpture apart. The Crop Walk committee will take the items to the Green County Food Pantry.

On the next page, you will find examples done by a youth group in Arizona (note the scorpion). Remember, you should come up with ideas relevant to Monroe and Green County.

Why participate? World hunger is a huge problem. About 795 million people, 1 person in 9 do not have enough food to lead a healthy active life. Some of them live right here in Green County. This project is something you can do right now to help. Remember, be creative and have fun. Your group may be the winner!

**Questions? Call Susan Andersen 847-951-8472
Get started today!**

And don't forget to get an envelope from your church and start collecting pledges so you can join us in the Crop Walk at 1 pm on Sunday, Oct. 18.

THE CASTLE:



THE SCORPION:



Hunger Statistics

Every year, authors, journalists, teachers, researchers, schoolchildren and students ask us for statistics about hunger and malnutrition. To help answer these questions, we've compiled a list of **useful facts and figures** on world hunger.

- 1** **Some 795 million people** in the world do not have enough food to lead a healthy active life. That's about one in nine people on earth.
- 2** The vast majority of the world's hungry people **live in developing countries**, where 13.5 percent of the population is undernourished.
- 3** Asia is the continent with the most hungry people - two thirds of the total. The percentage in southern Asia has fallen in recent years but in western Asia it has increased slightly.
- 4** Sub-Saharan Africa is the region with the highest prevalence (percentage of population) of hunger. One person in four there is undernourished.
- 5** Poor nutrition causes **nearly half (45%) of deaths** in children under five - 3.1 million children each year.
- 6** One out of six children -- roughly 100 million -- in developing countries is **underweight**.
- 7** One in four of the world's **children are stunted**. In developing countries the proportion can rise to one in three.
- 8** If **women** farmers had the same access to resources as men, the number of hungry in the world could be **reduced by up to 150 million**.
- 9** 66 million primary school-age **children attend classes hungry** across the developing world, with 23 million in Africa alone.
- 10** WFP calculates that **US\$3.2 billion** is needed per year to reach all 66 million hungry school-age children.

1. Source: [State of Food Insecurity in the World](#), FAO, 2015
2. Source: [State of Food Insecurity in the World](#), FAO, 2015
3. Source: [State of Food Insecurity in the World](#), FAO, 2015
4. Source: [State of Food Insecurity in the World](#), FAO, 2015
5. Source: [Series on Maternal and Child Nutrition](#), The Lancet, 2013
6. Source: [Global health Observatory](#), WHO, 2012
7. Source: [Prevalence and Trends of Stunting among ... Children](#), Public Health Nutrition, 2012
8. Source: [Women in Agriculture: Closing the Gender Gap for Development](#), FAO, 2011
9. Source: [Two Minutes to Learn About School Meals](#), WFP, 2012
10. Source: [Two Minutes to Learn About School Meals](#), WFP, 2012

Most Needed Food Pantry Items

- [Jars of peanut butter
- [Canned beef stew
- [Macaroni and cheese
- [Tuna
- [Cans of chicken/fish/meat
- [Rice
- [Pasta
- [Canned vegetables
- [Canned fruits
- [Canned soups or dry packages of soup mix
- [Beans-all kinds
- [Other bagged dried grains