## **BRR 2024 MINISTRY REPORTS**

## **NAVAJOLAND PARTNERSHIP**

St. Michael's has continued our Angel Tree gift collection for the children of Good Shepherd Mission (GSM) in Ft. Defiance, AZ. This Ministry program started in 2019 and has expanded to include some children in other parishes within the Episcopal Church in Navajoland (ECN). In 2024, our parishioners have provided more than 200 gifts. Including four bikes, an electronic keyboard, \$1,000 of school supplies, and full Christmas meals for two families of five. Ten volunteers helped to sort, organize, wrap, label, and pack for deliver all of the gifts on the evening of Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. On Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, eight volunteers made the 170-mile drive in five fully loaded vehicles to deliver the gifts to GSM.

























With financial assistance from the church, we provided funds for the bulk purchase of turkeys at both to Thanksgiving and Christmas. St. Michael's is also providing financial and technical assistance GSM to help address both long deferred campus maintenance and with the building of a cold storage facility for their growing Food Pantry program.

Our Navajoland Partnership Ministry has formed an expanded volunteer committee that will be meeting on quarterly basis with representatives from both GSM and ECN. Progress reports on our various assistance efforts will be provided to the Vestry throughout the year.