

Mount Lebanon Woman Will Run for 24 Hours to Support Community

Jillian Stephey will combine her love for running with her love for community to raise money for the St. Paul's Episcopal Church Covid-19 Response Fund

Mount Lebanon resident and passionate long-distance runner Jillian Stephey will run continuously for 24 hours to raise money for the St. Paul's Episcopal Church Covid-19 Response Fund. Starting at 4 p.m. on October 10, Jillian will run throughout the streets and trails of Mt. Lebanon's many beautiful neighborhoods and parks. She will start and finish at [St. Paul's Episcopal Church](#), located at 1066 Washington Road.

After joining the St. Paul's parish, Jillian, was especially impressed by the church's extensive community outreach programs, which have greatly expanded during the Covid-19 pandemic.

"We are more than six months into the pandemic and many of our community members are living in a state of constant uncertainty," said Jillian. "The economic effects of this crisis have greatly impacted our most vulnerable populations, those lacking a safety net and access to basic resources like food. During times of crisis, people look to their faith for relief, and St. Paul's has responded by expanding outreach to both parishioners and the larger community."

St. Paul's Covid-19 Response Fund

The St. Paul's Covid-19 Response Fund provides support to local organizations with a focus on meeting food insecurity needs for the most vulnerable populations. Recipient organizations include the South Hills Food Pantry, Trinity Walk-In Clinic, St. John's food program, Casa San Jose, Hello Neighbor, Jubilee Kitchen, Meals on Wheels at the Crossroads, Shepherd's Heart and Family Promise. As the pandemic continues, it is critical to continue to support these organizations.

"St. Paul's is proud to support Jillian as she humbly answers God's call to help those in need," said Reverend Noah H. Evans, St. Paul's Rector and pastor. "Our parish admires Jillian's relentless commitment to her community. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of supporting Jillian's undertaking by donating to the St. Paul's Covid-19 Response Fund."

Donate Online

[Click here](#) to support Jillian by donating to the St. Paul's Covid-19 Response Fund. Your donation will go a long way toward feeding and supporting our community during this difficult time.

Event Day

When: 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 10 - 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 11, 2020

Where: Jillian will start and finish her 24-hour run at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, located at 1066 Washington Road in Mt. Lebanon.

Run Tracker: Jillian's progress and real-time photos of the run will be available [here](#).

About Jillian:

Born in 1985 in Tampa Florida, Jillian resides in the Cedarhurstneighborhood of Mt. Lebanon with her husband Chris and their two young sons. She serves on the St. Paul's Episcopal Nursery School Board of Trustees.

Jillian has enjoyed long-distance running for many years, starting with her first half-marathon in 2011 Her favorite place to run is through the woods, watching the sunlight shining through the trees. Although Jillian has run multiple ultramarathons across the country, she has never attempted anything of this magnitude. To date, her longest run was 46 miles in about 12 hours.

When not running or playing with her kids, Jillian enjoys cooking, reading and practicing Krav Maga, a military self-defence and fighting system.

In addition to being a lover of the woods, Jillian is a physician assistant but is taking a career break to focus on raising her family.

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