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## Bronson United Methodist Church feeds first responders and others



**Phyllis Cowart prepares a to-go lunch by adding a big drumstick of smoked chicken.**

### Story and Photos

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**BRONSON** -- Today (Saturday, Sept. 16), a team of people at Bronson United Methodist Church put together a bounty of lunches for every police officer, firefighter, paramedic, Emergency Medical Technician, Emergency Management Department staff member, lineman, dispatcher (for electric and police, fire and ambulances) and every journalist who has been active in the effort related to Hurricane Irma.

This free lunch included smoked chicken, corn, baked beans and more. The Children's Table donated boxes of strawberries and other food as well.

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**Berlon Weeks stands next to the big smoker. This cooking machine is on a trailer and it is surrounded by mosquito netting, making it a very useful tool for the cook on the go.**



Berlon Weeks was the chief chef for the delicious, tender, smoked chicken.

Joining Berlon Weeks as members of the cooking and serving teams were Donna Weeks, Haley Weeks, Kasey Weeks, Pastor Mark Stiles, Sid Anderson, Phyllis Cowart, Al Summers, Kathy Summers, Ed Rowe, Peggy Rowe, Don Heysel, Robin Heysel, Eirlys Rawcliffe and others.

**Ed Rowe prepares a pot of corn.**



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**Before being unloaded from the back of a pickup truck, this is the view of many boxes of strawberries and other items donated by The Children's Table. The Children's Table on Friday provided many people with food at its Bronson location.**

Pastor Stiles said he and the church appreciate the generous donations from several retailers and individuals, which made it possible for the church to reach out into the community to give lunch to first responders and others.

Bronson United Methodist Church is located at 235 N. Court St. in Bronson. The United Methodist Church welcomes all people to join it in loving and worshipping God, and loving and helping all people.