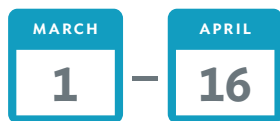




Special Offerings Quick Reference Sheet

The four churchwide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) play an important role in defining what it means to be a connectional church in the twenty-first century. For more information, visit presbyterianmission.org/specialofferings.

Offering Seasons for 2017



One Great Hour of Sharing | Season of Lent

March 1 - April 16 (especially Palm Sunday or Easter)

presbyterianmission.org/oghs

Resources distributed in January



Pentecost Offering | Season of Pentecost

April 17 - June 4 (or any other youth-focused Sunday)

presbyterianmission.org/pentecost

Resources distributed in March



Peace & Global Witness Offering | Season of Peace

September 3 - October 1 (World Communion Sunday)

presbyterianmission.org/peace-global

Resources distributed in August



Christmas Joy Offering | Season of Advent & Christmas

December 3 - 24 (especially Sunday before Christmas)

presbyterianmission.org/christmasjoy

Resources distributed in October



How do I start receiving a new Offering?

Contact Presbyterian Distribution Services by calling **800-524-2612**, or email pds@pcusa.org to order bulletin inserts, posters, and other free offering materials. Call the Special Offerings staff at **800-728-7228 ext. 5047** with any additional questions or requests.

How do I change my standing order?

To revise your standing order, call Presbyterian Distribution Services at **800-524-2612** or email pds@pcusa.org.

» Who should I contact with questions?

The Special Offerings staff can be contacted at specialofferings@pcusa.org, and **800-728-7228 ext. 5047**.

» What are the best ways for me to stay informed on how gifts to the Offerings are used?

Following the Special Offerings on social media will give you access to real-time updates, and you can sign up for Presbyterian Mission Agency emails to receive ongoing information about the work of each supported program. Visit presbyterianmission.org/subscribe and check Churchwide Special Offerings under Advocacy and Social Justice.

» How should I promote the Offerings?

Your creativity in promoting the Offerings within your church is invaluable! However, for each Offering, we have provided a thorough guide for promotion in the Leader's Guide included in your standing order and available online at presbyterianmission.org/specialofferings.

» What is the best way to get the children in my congregation involved with giving to the Offerings?

Each Offering has lesson plans & sermons just for children. Additional ideas include asking them to perform a skit about the Offering, passing out bulletins to church members, or reading a Minute for Mission during service. Visit presbyterianmission.org/offeringkids for resources.

» What is the Presbyterian Giving Catalog?

It is a collection of gifts that exemplify the work carried out by the ministries supported by the Special Offerings. Our online catalog is available at presbyteriangifts.org.

Call **800-524-2612** to request your catalogs today.

» Where can I find resources or ideas to promote the Presbyterian Giving Catalog at my church?

Set a catalog gift goal in your Sunday School or VBS programming, or promote alternative holiday gift giving to your members. Resources to host an alternative giving market are available at presbyterianmission.org/PGCresources.

Where do I send my money?

At the direction of the 220th General Assembly (2012), congregations are encouraged to remit offering gifts directly to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), with the Offering noted on the memo line.

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
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Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

The Agency will record and notify presbyteries of congregational donations. Congregations may continue to remit to their normal receiving agency if so desired.