We can make a Display! Or Bulletin Board! Or (fill in the blank!)

The best place to begin when creating a Special Offering display/bulletin board/etc. is to go to http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/ and click on the Offering you are working with. Browse the Resources section by scrolling down.

Great idea-starters from the Resources section could be:

- Poster
- Bulletin Inserts
- Minutes for Mission
- Promotional Images
- PowerPoint slides

Christmas Joy Offering Display (2018 – The Perfect Gift)

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) display case

Once you choose a theme:

1. Measure the display area (case, bulletin board, window, etc.)
2. Make a list of materials you will need
3. Purchase/Gather needed materials. (see "Shopping/Gathering list" below)
4. Select and print offering-related promotional images at: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/2018-christmas-joy-offering-promotional-images/
   - or the PowerPoint slides:
     o https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JMDgbhnCjpDXsp5qqsFnFPLmcl0No1hG/view
     o https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FQOaurWMbPBJNSm7Mt561jQDTQZDSTr7/view
   - or choose images from another source of your choice

For *2018 The Perfect Gift* display for the Christmas Joy Offering, we used:

- Christmas Joy Offering/logo
  o Printed oversized on two pieces of 8.5x11 copy paper, and mounted on black paper
- Photos of those given assistance through the Offering, or other representation of "The Perfect Gift"

To make the gifts:

- Collect boxes in assorted sizes (determined by the space you have to work with)
- Wrap boxes in wrapping paper. We used shiny purple and a white-with-silver polka dots paper
- Mount photos on fronts of presents
- Affix bows to some of the presents

To make Christmas Joy Offering banner and "The Perfect Gift":

- Type "The Perfect Gift into Word document. Enlarge to an easily readable size for display. Print. Trim and mount to colored paper. We used black.

- Copy Christmas Joy Offering banner into Word document. Enlarge so that banner prints on multiple pages. Cut pieces and assemble to create a large banner. Adhere banner to colored paper. We used black, but another color may work better for your background/display area.

Basic Steps of the Process:

1. Create background for display. You may have a neutral background already, or you may need to use large sheets of paper (we used purple bulletin board paper) or other medium to cover the display area
2. Adhere "The Perfect Gift" letters and Christmas Joy Offering logo to back of display
3. If you have a display case, add a coordinating fabric
4. Stack gifts in bottom of case, with images facing out
5. Add other design elements (We used a small white Christmas tree and white garland)

Shopping/Gathering List:

- For bottom of display case:
    - Purple or white fabric
    - Boxes
    - Wrapping paper
    - Tape
    - Images
    - Bows
    - Scissors
    - Other elements if desired
- For display wall:
    - Purple or white paper (if needed)
    - Printed and prepped letters and CJO logo
        - Printed pages
        - Black (or other color) cardstock/construction paper
    - Stapler
    - Tape

Not using a display case?

- This project will translate well onto a basic bulletin board. You will need to mount any additional materials that would be in the bottom of a display case, or use the floor space in front of the board.

***If you find another way to create a Christmas Joy Offering display for your congregation, please share images with us so we can share on our social media! Email pictures to special.offerings@pcusa.org.