

## **DPC and PC (USA) Special Offerings**

### **Initial Offering (anytime)**

This offering helps to offset the cost of providing offering envelopes.

### **Per-Capita (anytime)**

Every church (PC USA) is apportioned a share of the expenses of the presbytery, the synod, and the General Assembly (GA) for ecclesiastical purposes. The apportionment is based on church membership. The amount varies with the needs of the presbytery, synod and GA, and is a regular expense payable by this church quarterly. The amount for 2020 is \$30 per member.

### **DPC Deacon's Fund (February)**

The Board of Deacons support our church members through many different programs. They deliver the worship flowers to members in the hospital, and support our local nursing homes by providing worship services to those who can't get to church. Minister to our college kids by showing them our support and prayers while they are away. The deacons also run DPCcares, which provides temporary, short-term assistance to members in need through DPC volunteer services, and an extension to that program called Home Help Corps, which provides help to members who are experiencing difficulty with tasks at home, errands, or transportation to appointments – whether because of age or health.

### **One Great Hour of Sharing (April)**

In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

### **Pentecost (May)**

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wise effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. By contributing to the Pentecost Offering, you are nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come — children, youth, and young adults. 40% of the Pentecost offering will be sent to a local organization wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within our own community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

### **Peace & Global Witness (October)**

The Peace and Global Witness Offering encourages the church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our God's mission of reconciliation to those around the corner and around the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

### **Thanksgiving Offering (November)**

The mission committee identifies an organization to receive this offering every year that helps support those with food insecurities, local, national or international.

Christmas Joy (December)

The Christmas Joy Offering allows us to honor God's gift of Jesus Christ by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

You may give to these funds at any time or during the months listed. Please include in the memo of the check or a note online which offering the contribution is to go towards.

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