

Giving Opportunities Plymouth Presbyterian Church

Pledges (Basic financial commitment to Plymouth Presbyterian Church)

It is helpful for the church to receive notification of your annual pledge commitment to assist in the planning of the church finances. Your pledges assist the church in general operating expenses, special programs, staff salary, Pastor Salary, A financial report may be provided at your request.

Basic Mission Support (Partners in Giving) Goal 10% of operating budget

Supports mission works of the Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. Donations contribute to the support of: Presbytery website, New Church development, Leadership Fair, Special Speakers at Leadership Fair, Staff Salaries, Conferences, Summer Camp for Kids, Secretary salaries in office, Seminary students.

Boxing Day

Plymouth Presbyterian Church started up this program in 2010 as a way to serve the local community. The program supports needy families with basic non-perishable supplies such as dish soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, diapers, etc. The items are collected at PPC and distributed throughout the local community. How can you help? Volunteer time, non-perishable items, and financial support.

Church World Services

Founded in 1946 Church World Service (CWS) is a cooperative ministry of 37 Christian denominations and communions in the United States, providing sustainable self-help, development, disaster relief, and refugee assistance around the world. The CWS mission is to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice at the national and international level through collaboration with partners abroad and in the U.S.

Columbia County Warming Center

Columbia County Warming Center (CCWC) is a cold weather shelter, providing a warm, clean, safe, and friendly place. Founded October 27, 2012. It is a volunteer-based facility open from Dec. through Feb. Managed by the local Community Action Team (CAT), an organization which connects people with resources needed to become self-sufficient.

Community Meals

Community Meals is a member agency of the Columbia Pacific Food Bank and operates as a benevolent kitchen. It serves free meals each Tuesday & Thursday from 5:30 – 6:00 pm. Located at the First Lutheran Church at 4th & Wyeth Streets in St Helens. You can help by food donations, monetary assistance, volunteering in food prep, dining room set up, serving, and cleanup. PPC holds butter showers quarterly to assist in the butter supply for the meals.

Deacon's Fund

Deacon's fund is used to assist families & individuals in need. Providing assistance with utility bills, etc.

Estate Planning

- **Congregational Endowments**, Funds or property donated to the church.
- **Bequests and Major Gifts**, Gifts of money, stock, or other property left to the church through a will when someone dies.
- **Gifts from Estates**, Other gifts are those that result when someone dies and has named the church as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy, retirement account, trust, or gift annuity.

Habitat for Humanity

A nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that has helped to build over 500,000 decent, affordable houses and served 2.5 million people worldwide. Our vision: a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Founded in 1976.

H.E.L.P – Is a program, which designates that all donations go to the local community at Columbia Pacific Food Bank.

Memorial Gifts

A financial gift given to the Church in memory of a member.

Per Capita – Each year Plymouth Church pays a membership fee for each member of the Church. This fee is used for administration in Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. The fee varies year to year, 2018 Per Capita \$ 32.00. (\$19.05 – Presbytery; \$5.22 – Synod; \$7.73 – General Assembly) Your donation helps with this expense.

PPC Birthday Party We honor our Church with a Birthday Celebration each September. Presents are given to the Church to help with the expenses and improve existing items/situations. Donations include items such as: Office supplies, toilet paper, paper plates, napkins, membership fees, financial donations, etc.

Prayers & Squares A group of women who turning scrap fabric into treasured lap quilts for those needing comfort. You can help by joining these ladies to make quilts or donate materials and/or funds.

Souper Bowl – First Sunday in February - Young people collect monetary and food donations during the week leading up to Super Bowl Sunday. 100% of the money and food is then given directly to local charities of the group's choice.

Special Offerings

• **Christmas Joy offering**, December 23 (Sunday before Christmas) o The Christmas Joy Offering is traditionally received during the Advent Season. However, you can help sustain the important PC(USA) ministries and programs that are supported by the Christmas Joy Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. *Distribution: 100% Presbytery*

- **One Great Hour of Sharing**, (Easter Sunday) o Most congregations receive the offering on Easter Sunday, Passion/Palm Sunday or both, while many receive it throughout Lent—however, you can help sustain the important PC(USA) ministries and programs that are supported by the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. (contributes to Presbytery disaster relief) *Distribution: 100% Presbytery*

- **Pentecost Offering**, (Pentecost Sunday – 7 Sundays after Easter) o The Pentecost Offering is traditionally received on the day of Pentecost. However, you can help sustain the important PC(USA) ministries and programs that are supported by the Pentecost Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. *Distribution: 60% Presbytery/40% Local*

- **PeaceMaking Offering**, (1st Sunday of October) o The Peacemaking Offering is traditionally received during on World Communion Sunday. However, you can help sustain the important PC(USA) ministries and programs that are supported by the Peacemaking Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. *Distribution: 75% Presbytery/25% Local*

Special Projects

This is to assist the Church in financing a special project that comes up such as repairs, replacement items, etc.

Theological Education Funds

(TEF) In support of PCUSA Seminaries