

North Presbyterian Church

The Rev. William T. Hennessy, Pastor/Head of Staff

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Dear North Church Member,

Every year the Session of North Presbyterian Church asks its members to contribute to the ***Per Capita Campaign***. *Per Capita* is an amount of money per member (this year **\$31.00**) that our congregation pays to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A). This money is part of the glue that holds Presbyterians together. It is the money that enables us to work with other Presbyterian Churches. It is also money that allows us to work with other churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world. *If your budget allows for a more generous contribution, please give in relation to what God has given you.*

How important is *per capita*? Here are some examples:

- We benefit from relationships and cooperation with other Presbyterian churches across the country. Your *per capita* pays for the General Assembly meeting every two years where Presbyterians gather together to worship and discern the mind of Christ for the church.
- We want to be involved in mission work throughout the world. In many places, it is difficult to participate except by working ecumenically with other churches. Your *per capita* helps pay for meetings of Presbyterians with people of other Christian churches, allowing us to maintain those ties for mission.
- We benefit from helpful Presbyterian resources such as the *Book of Order* and the *Book of Confessions*. Your *per capita* pays for producing these basic resources.
- We need pastors who are well prepared to lead our congregations. *Per capita* funds the preparation, administration, and grading of ordination examinations for seminary students.
- We want well-trained leaders. Your *per capita* pays for annual training events for Presbytery executives, clerks, and others who help lead our work and mission.

In addition, your *per capita* pays for the travel expenses of the Co-Moderators of the General Assembly of the PC(U.S.A.) as they make their way across the church to share and talk to folks like you about the exciting things God is doing in our midst.

We need each other as we work together to share the good news of Jesus Christ. As we benefit from the gifts, skills, vision, and ministry of each other in North Church, so, too, do we benefit from an even wider array of gifts and ministry of Presbyterians across the church. *Per capita* pays for programs, training, and resources that help us work together and reach our goals.

We encourage all confirmed members of North Presbyterian Church to affirm your participation in the work of the entire PC(U.S.A.) by **contributing \$31.00 per member**. Please return your *per capita* donation using the enclosed envelope. By contributing your portion of *per capita*, you have freed up dollars in our regular budget for the work of our congregation. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request and God's blessings to you and your family.

In Christ's Service,

The North Presbyterian Church Finance Committee

(Neil Arnold, Leigh Gaskill, Duncan Hemink, Tim Hutton, Mary Beth Karr, and Scott Marshall)

P.S. If you prefer, you may give safely and securely online at <https://northchurchwilliamsville.org/donations/>.

Together we are North: grounded in faith, growing to serve