

A Sharing Calendar for Lent 2022

Each day at or after a meal time, gather around this map activity. Consider the reflection and questions, place a coin or a bill (a "gift") in your fish coin bank or a jar.

March 6-11

Sunday: God, open our eyes to your face in every person. Let us see the ways we are all connected with all of Creation. May we as your Church, together, seek love, justice and peace with all. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, find a Presbyterian Disaster Assistance partnership near where you live. Say a prayer for those recovering from natural and human-caused disasters.

Tuesday: How far must you travel for fresh water? In a natural disaster, people are often unable to access their normal sources of drinking water. Sharing a gift in your fish box will help water reach people who need it.

Ash Wednesday: Read Isaiah 58:6-8, 12. Which actions or words stand out to you? Write a prayer of intention for Lent using some of the words from Isaiah 58.

Wednesday: Climate change is forcing migration and changing growing seasons. Make a gift to OGHS to help people working to address climate change.

Thursday: Think of three people you are thankful for. Find a way to let them know you are thankful for them. Consider sharing a gift in their honor.

Thursday: When situations are difficult, whom do you call upon? Thank someone in your life for the specific way that they support you.

Friday: Blue Shirt Sunday celebrates the ministry of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Plan to wear your shirt for worship and learn more about Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. (pda.pcusa.org/situation/blue-tshirts)

Friday: Self-Development of People Sunday is in two days! Click here to learn more. (pcusa.org/ministries/sdop/sdop-Sunday)

March 13-18

Sunday: Gather us all around your banquet table, O God, with all who hunger and thirst. May we join, together, to share the abundance you've intended for all. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, find a Self-Development of People partnership near where you currently live. Read about the need being addressed. Say a prayer for the people involved in that ministry.

Tuesday: Social barriers are like locked doors that hold people back and keep them from thriving. Make a gift to help people grow and learn freely.

Wednesday: Water is needed by everyone. Using the online map, find three projects related to water, and say a prayer for each.

Thursday: What are you thankful for, in yourself? God offers gifts and talents to each of us. Make a short list of yours and make them part of a "Thank you, God" prayer.

Friday: God's love is shown in so many ways. Find three things you can do today or tomorrow to share God's love.

March 20-25

Sunday: Encourage us, Creator, when things get difficult. May we draw creativity and hope from your Spirit, and from our partners along the way. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, find a project or partnership near a location you have wanted to visit, but have never been, before. Say a special prayer for all neighbors whom we have never met in person.

Tuesday: People who care for others also need care. Do something special for the caretakers in your life to say "thank you."

Wednesday: Wiggly worms and buzzing bees are essential to healthy soils and plants. Say a prayer of thanks for all the little things that help the world grow. Wiggle or buzz while you pray.

Thursday: The right supplies make all the difference, whether you are growing crops or learning at school. Remember the last time you had the right tool and make a gift as part of remembering.

Friday: Make up a short mealtime prayer. Use it during meals this weekend. Perhaps exchange or trade prayers between a small group or class for next week.

March 27-April 1

Sunday: God, you say, "come to the waters" and "buy wine without money and bread without price." Let us learn by your generosity, the gift of giving what we have to share. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, find a Presbyterian Hunger Program partnership near where you currently live. Read about the need being addressed. Say a prayer for the people involved in the ministry there.

Tuesday: When rain is scarce, special collection systems are built to catch the water so it can be used for growing plants. Give a gift to help bring water to people when it doesn't rain.

Wednesday: Electricity is usually the first utility that is lost in a storm. Can you identify a favorite Bible verse about light? Make a gift to OGHS in honor of the verse.

Thursday: Social support and connection are important parts of being healthy. Say a prayer of gratitude for one person or place that offers welcome to you.

Friday: Teaching healthy food choices and food safety can change the health of an entire community! Make a gift that helps us all learn.

April 3-8

Sunday: Help us to learn from what others have seen, so that we might grow in understanding across lines of difference. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, locate a ministry in a country far away from you. What need is being addressed there? Say a prayer for the people involved in the ministry there.

Tuesday: Without the right nutrition in the first two years of life, a child's physical and mental development is compromised. Make a gift to help ensure healthy food for infants.

Wednesday: The most vulnerable are often the most impacted in emergency situations. Say a prayer for children impacted by need.

Thursday: Think of all the things people share with you. Write a thank you note to one of these people.

Friday: Learn about the Indigenous peoples who inhabited the land where you live. Learn the name they used for the land when they lived there.

April 10-15

Sunday: Guide us through the paths that feel lonely, assured that you are always with us. Be with us in the darkness as we walk by faith and not by sight. Amen.

Monday: Using the online map, locate a ministry partnership you haven't read about so far. Say a prayer for the ministry you learn about there.

Tuesday: It is estimated that 1 in 5 kids in the U.S. will experience hunger this year. Make a gift to eliminate hunger.

Wednesday: Education helps lift people out of poverty. OGHS helps kids everywhere attend school. Make a gift and consider donating books to a local reading program.

Maundy Thursday: Jesus, you served those with least being with them. Be with us as we seek you out among those who have least among us. Amen.

Good Friday: We gather in the stillness, and in sadness. Hold close to all who hurt, O God who has been hurt, and is a healer. Amen.

April 17

Easter Sunday: Present the gifts in your coin box to your congregation. Say a prayer for all those who will receive help from your generosity.

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