



2026 *Thank Offering*

OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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Dear Friends,

As members of the PW Creative Ministries Offering Committee, we joyfully present the nine recipients of 2026 Thank Offering grants. We hope that you will spread the word about these worthy projects and promote giving to this foundational program of Presbyterian Women.

We are connected as Christ's disciples. When we come together and give as a whole organization, our impact is amplified. Our gathered funds provide life-changing grants to projects that care for, nourish, protect and shelter our neighbors in need. Through giving to the Thank Offering, we answer Christ's call to "love not in word or speech but in deed and truth" (1 Jn. 3:18).

On behalf of all our grant recipients, we offer thanks for your continued prayers and support.

Blessings,

Creative Ministries Offering Committee

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Presbyterian Women in the PC(USA), Inc.



Kenya

**God's Green Resourceful Earth
Ministry: Growing Gardens,
Feeding Minds**



**Presbytery of Lake Michigan
Rural Home Repair for
Allegan County**



**Presbyteries of Northern Plains,
Northern Waters, Minnesota
Valleys, Twin Cities Area
Camp for ALL**



**Missouri Union Presbytery
Baby Grace Ministries**



**Salem Presbytery
Flat Rock Presbyterian
Pantry Expansion Project**



**Presbytery of The Highlands
of New Jersey
Mommy & Me
Domestic Violence Shelter**



**Presbytery of Boise
Literacy for Women Project**



**Presbytery of Grand Canyon
Transforming Tomorrow's Youth**



**Presbytery of Arkansas
Nourish and Thrive:
Backpack Program for Children
Experiencing Food Insecurity**

Visit presbyterianwomen.org/thank to learn more, give online and download resources.

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In 1888, Eliza Clokey of Springfield, Ohio, urged each participant in her women’s group to add one dollar to her usual mission giving as a “thank offering to her Lord.” The Thank Offering was born and through their sacrificial gifts, women helped save Presbyterian worldwide mission endeavors at that time. Since then, givers to the Thank Offering have supported thousands of projects and raised tens of millions of dollars for ministries in the U.S. and across the world.

The Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women carries on this long tradition of binding together to make a greater difference than we could as individuals. Through monetary support, we send love “in deed and truth,” for people on the margins, particularly women and children.

In 2026 the Creative Ministries Offering Committee of Presbyterian Women evaluated sixty-six Thank Offering applications and selected nine projects for funding. In keeping with the Thank Offering bylaws, more than 40 percent of the selected projects are related to health ministries.



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SYNOD OF THE COVENANT

Presbytery of Lake Michigan

Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity
Rural Home Repair for Allegan County
Holland, Michigan

lakeshorehabitat.org

\$40,000

Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity puts God's love into action through building homes, communities and hope. Through their Rural Home Repair program, people come together to improve houses so they are warm, safe and dry. By addressing critical repairs, lower-income families can focus on thriving instead of worrying about costly home issues. With the Thank Offering grant this vital program will expand across the entirety of Allegan County to help more families live in secure, decent homes.



SYNOD OF LAKES AND PRAIRIES

Presbyteries of Northern Plains, Northern Waters, Minnesota Valleys, Twin Cities Area

Clearwater Forest

Camp for ALL

Deerwood, Minnesota

clearwaterforest.org

\$50,000

Clearwater Forest is a Presbyterian camp dedicated to creating life-changing, faith-centered experiences, but transportation barriers prevent many underserved populations from accessing these opportunities. The Thank Offering grant will purchase a bus to provide access across Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin. This initiative will open the door for more inclusive participation, including new retreats for high-risk and low-income groups, ensuring the camp's transformative impact for all.



SYNOD OF MID-AMERICA

Missouri Union Presbytery

Women of Faith PW at First Presbyterian Church

Baby Grace Ministries

Fulton, Missouri

fpcfulton.org

\$7,600

Baby Grace Ministries supports families with young children by providing essential items and opportunities for connection and growth. At monthly gatherings, families receive free diapers, wipes, clothing and hygiene supplies while accessing community resources and support. The program also creates a welcoming space for children to play and for parents to build meaningful relationships. With this grant, the ministry will continue supplying critical necessities to families in need.

Grant Recipients



SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC

Salem Presbytery

The Greater Mount Airy Ministry of Hospitality
Flat Rock Presbyterian Pantry Expansion Project
Mount Airy, North Carolina
helpinghandsofsurry.org
\$40,000

Flat Rock, a rural and underserved area in North Carolina, currently has no food pantries despite a growing need. In 2024, Flat Rock Presbyterian Church sold its property for just \$100 to support efforts addressing food insecurity. The Thank Offering grant will help transform this space into the community's first pantry and soup kitchen. The pantry will provide daily groceries, weekly produce distributions and mobile food services. Additionally, the soup kitchen will begin serving biweekly hot meals to ensure families facing hunger will have consistent access to nutritious food.



SYNOD OF THE NORTHEAST

Presbytery of The Highlands of New Jersey

Good News Home, Inc.
Mommy & Me Domestic Violence Shelter
Tewksbury, New Jersey
goodnewshome.org
\$23,080

This grant will fund renovations needed to launch Mommy & Me, a residential option for women and children escaping domestic violence. Building on success from Good News Home's residential recovery program, this program offers healing through trauma-informed care, parenting support, job training and housing stability. Mothers and children will recover and grow together and ultimately find a pathway away from crisis and towards independence, safety and hope for a brighter future.



SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC

Presbytery of Boise

Agency for New Americans: Self-Sufficiency for Refugees
Literacy for Women Project
Boise, Idaho
anaidaho.org
\$45,796

Agency for New Americans welcomes refugees who are settling in Idaho. With the Thank Offering grant, their Women's Program will expand and include literacy training to build foundational skills for navigating daily life. Refugees from Afghanistan, Congo, Eritrea, Iraq and Syria who may not have had the opportunity to become literate in their native language, let alone in English, will participate. With critical skills and a strong community, refugee women will discover opportunities, self-advocacy and long-term success.

Grant Recipients (cont.)



SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

Presbytery of Grand Canyon

Native American Fatherhood and Families Association
(NAFFA)

Transforming Tomorrow's Youth
Mesa, Arizona

nativeamericanfathers.org

\$18,000

This program of the Native American Fatherhood and Families Association (NAFFA) focuses on preventing substance use and suicide among Native youth. The Thank Offering grant will support key initiatives, including a Gathering of Native Youth event with a companion video, a Spring College and Vocational Fair, and a youth-led mental wellness campaign. Combined, these efforts will strengthen mental health outcomes, elevate NAFFA's impact and empower Native youth through engaging and meaningful experiences.



SYNOD OF THE SUN

Presbytery of Arkansas

Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas

Nourish and Thrive: Backpack Program for
Children Experiencing Food Insecurity

Jonesboro, Arkansas

foodbankofnea.org

\$5,100

In partnership with First Presbyterian Church of Jonesboro, this program addresses poverty and food insecurity by giving children reliable access to meals outside of school days. Each Friday, 40 students receive backpacks filled with easy-to-prepare, child-friendly food. This grant will address the gap when meals are unavailable, helping vulnerable children return to school nourished, healthy and ready to learn.



INTERNATIONAL

Kenya

Nyanza Area African Inland Church

Basic Needs, Simple Solutions, U.S. fiscal sponsor

God's Green Resourceful Earth Ministry:

Growing Gardens, Feeding Minds

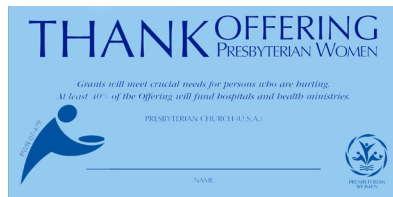
basicandsimple.org

\$40,000

Growing Gardens, Feeding Minds provides daily hot lunches to students in Kenya. With nutritious meals made from locally grown vegetables and staple foods, children are healthier, attend school consistently and perform better academically. Start-up costs are modest for each school to set up kitchens, gardens and water systems. The Thank Offering grant will allow for program expansion, reducing family burdens and supporting the well-being of vulnerable children across the Nyanza region.

SUPPORT THE THANK OFFERING

Group Gift

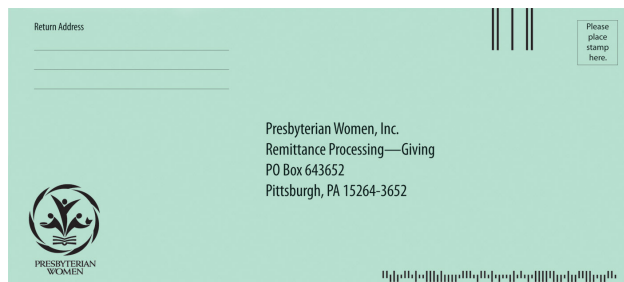


PW group members can support the Thank Offering with cash or checks. Envelopes to receive gifts from a group are available free of charge in packs of 25 from the PW Shop (presbyterianwomen.org/shop; item PWR16479) or the PC(USA) Store (800/533-4371).

PW in the Congregation treasurers, please receive your Thank Offering gifts and send to your PW in the Presbytery treasurer.

PW in the Presbytery treasurers, send your Thank Offering gifts with your presbytery's other quarterly contributions to Presbyterian Women Remittance Processing, PO Box 643652, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3652. Visit presbyterianwomen.org to download a remittance form. Has your treasurer changed? Let us know by contacting Rhonda Martin at rhonda.martin@pcusa.org or 844/PW-PCUSA (844/797-2872), ext. 5596.

Individual gift



If you are giving outside a PW group, use the individual giving envelope. Envelopes to receive these gifts are available free of charge in packs of 10 from the PW Shop (presbyterianwomen.org/shop; item PWR20456) or the PC(USA) Store (800/533-4371).

Give by check or credit card with the individual giving envelope and receive a tax receipt for your gift. Fill out the envelope completely, including your presbytery and synod so they will receive credit for your gift.

Tip: Distribute envelopes to your congregation for even wider support of the Thank Offering.

Note: Prefer using your own envelope? Mail your check to Presbyterian Women, Inc., Remittance Processing—Giving, PO Box 643652, Pittsburgh PA 15264-3652. Include “Thank Offering” on the memo line of your check and note your presbytery or synod.

Online Giving

Make a Donation →

Make a secure online gift at presbyterianwomen.org/give.



We don't want to miss anyone!

Help us keep contact information current. When PW leaders in your congregation, presbytery and/or synod change, please let us know. Email changes to pw_pcusa@pcusa.org.

Loving in Deed and Truth

2026 Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women Dedication Service

BY CORINNE QUINN

Call to Worship

(Psalm 100)

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.
Serve the LORD, with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

All: Know that the LORD is God.

**It is he who made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his
pasture.**

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts
with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.

**All: For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Hymn Suggestions

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (GtG 366)

“We Are One in the Spirit: They’ll Know We Are
Christians by Our Love” (GtG 300)

Scripture

“Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in
deed and truth.”

—1 John 3:18

Meditation

In our scripture for this year’s Thank Offering dedication
service, we are encouraged to express love with words and
works. Mere words are not adequate for conveying love.
To express God’s love fully, we must demonstrate this love
through our actions!

This verse from 1 John affectionately challenges
God’s little children to display love (agape) at all times
when interacting with others, regardless of situations or
circumstances. Agape is the selfless, unconditional and
intentional love that resulted in God sending the son Jesus
Christ to shepherd humans along the way. Agape is the
love of God for humanity (all of God’s little children).

Yet, on a regular basis, worldly cares such as family

stresses, health issues, financial strains and the daily news distract us and prevent us from loving our neighbors as ourselves. God knows all our troubles, loves us and is present with us during the chaos. God wants us to be present with and love others during the chaos too. By God's grace, we are blessed, even when we are distressed! As faithful Presbyterian women ever mindful of Jesus' resurrection, sharing God's love and hope through Jesus Christ is what we are called to do on a daily basis.

As participants in Presbyterian Women, we are showing God's love in our local communities and even throughout world. This year our PW Thank Offering will utilize \$269,576 to support ministries across the United States and in Kenya. Our Thank Offering gifts are improving maternal and child health, transforming the lives of youth and addressing food insecurity in communities around the nation.

Today, I invite you to find several people—family, friends and/or church members—to share one or more areas of your life where you are showing God's love to others and where God is showing love to you. God is surely at work in our lives and in our world, and we are blessed to see with fresh perspectives all that God is doing!

We know God's love is always working through people, especially Presbyterian women just like you and me! When we work together, aligned in God's love to bless others, especially the most vulnerable of our society, we bless God. Let's keep up the excellent work, siblings in Christ, as we seek to be Jesus' hands and feet in this world while showing God's love in our lives and in our world!

May this 2026 Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women continue to encourage and unite everyone in love as the Holy Spirit continues to bless and inspire each one of us. Thanks be to God! Amen and amen!

Prayer of Dedication

God of grace, we thank you for the opportunity to bring a glimpse of your magnificent love to those in need by sharing and dedicating the 2026 Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women. We thank you for the desire to bless others. May this offering serve as a reminder of your deep, abounding and unconditional love which transforms our lives and those of others. We pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

Hymn Suggestions

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky: Here I Am, Lord" (GtG 69)
"Jesus Loves Me!" (GtG 188)

Charge and Benediction

As we go out into this imperfect world, may we always look to God, the source of abounding and authentic love. May we continually act as beacons and agents of agape love in this world that so desperately needs it. May God bless and strengthen us as we bless and care for others. In Jesus' name, amen!

Corinne Quinn is the Synod of the Pacific representative to the Churchwide Board of Directors.

Hymns marked "GtG" are from *Glory to God* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2013).





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Resources to Promote and Receive the 2026 Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women

Essentials

The **2026 Thank Offering promotional booklet**, which is mailed to PW leaders, includes grant recipient summaries; dedication service; promotional resource flier; and instructions for giving. Available as a download in English, Korean and Spanish as well! Item **PWR26475**; free.

The 11" x 17" **2026 Thank Offering poster/placemat** is versatile: use side one for bulletin boards and poster displays; use side two as a placemat for group meals. Available as singles so order as many (or as few) as needed! Item **PWR26473**; free.

2026 Thank Offering promotional flier (8½" x 11")
Download only; item **PWR26474**; free.

Receiving the Offering

Thank Offering group giving envelopes, traditionally used in PW groups and congregations, are available in packs of 25. Item **PWR16479**; free.

Individual giving envelopes are PW's multipurpose envelopes. These #10 green envelopes include an attached slip that allows an individual (or group) to choose where to direct gifts as well as an area for credit card information. Available in packs of 10; item **PWR20456**; free.

2026 Thank Offering bulletin insert Download only;
item **PWR26480**; free.

2026 Thank Offering bulletin cover (8½" x 11")
Download only; item **PWR26476**; free.

2026 Thank Offering promotional video. Available on PW's YouTube channel in English, Spanish and Korean; youtube.com/presbyterianwomen.

More to Explore!

The **Fall 2026 issue of *Horizons* magazine** includes the grant recipient list as well as a dedication service; Item HZN26220, \$4.00. (Not a *Horizons* magazine subscriber? Call 866/802-3635 or visit presbyterianwomen.org/subscribe!)

Two Ways to Order

- Call 800/533-4371, Monday–Friday, 10 AM–5 PM ET.
- Shop online at presbyterianwomen.org/shop (type “Thank Offering” in the search box or search by item number).

Note: Prices do not include shipping and handling (based on weight of order; \$6.25 minimum). International orders and orders to Puerto Rico will incur additional shipping charges. There are no shipping charges for free/promotional offering materials.

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Promotional Video Online

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