



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING 2017 Offering

Sunday, March 27

Sharing Resources and Changing Lives

You shall be called repairers of the breach.

- Isaiah 58

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

Presbyterian Committee for the Self-Development of People

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Presbyterian Hunger Program



Souper Bowl of Caring is the nation's largest youth led weekend of giving. Don't forget to report your church collection for Souper Bowl 2017! Send your results to both:

soup@souperbowl.com
and

[Barbara Howell](#)
at the Presbytery Office.



*Make social and
environmental justice a part
of your congregation's Palm
Sunday celebration*

Order forms for Eco-Palms are available at www.pcusa.org/palms. Eco-Palms is a part of *Enough for Everyone*, a PCUSA program that offers hands-on options for congregations to participate in fair trade.

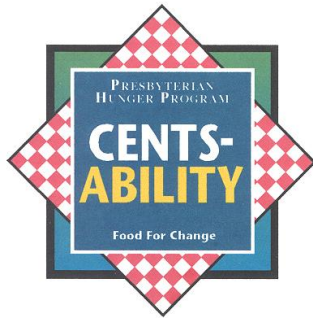
CROP WALK

"We walk because they walk."

Sunday, April 30
2:30 p.m.

Fannie Mae Dees Park, Nashville

This community-based event raises money for hunger-fighting agencies (Luke 14:12 and Second Harvest) as well as international relief. Registration is on Sunday, March 19 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. at Belmont UMC.



4 Cents/5 Cents a Meal 2016 Offerings

Thank you to the following churches who made it a priority to help feed hungry people in 2016 by participating in the 4 Cents/5 Cents a Meal program. The church membership is listed beside each church name. The Presbytery Hunger Program is a mission opportunity for all churches – large and small. If your church is not participating in this offering, please consider becoming a covenant partner.

Every penny counts!

Westminster, N'ville (1960)	\$3,742.00	Allardt 1st (174)	734.16	Hillwood (130)	125.85
Shelbyville 1st (228)	1,966.05	Nashville 1st (4316)	677.43	Belfast (8)	107.00
Tullahoma 1st (190)	1,627.27	Normandy (44)	612.30	Mt. Pleasant 1st (25)	65.00
Spring Hill 1st (118)	1,627.24	Hendersonville 1st (225)	544.82	Bethany, Ardmore (19)	40.00
Fayetteville 1st (304)	1,477.55	Franklin 1st (944)	527.81	Oak Grove, Bethpage (32)	11.00
Smyrna 1st (278)	1,275.12	Bellevue (237)	466.63	Misc. offerings	227.89
Murfreesboro 1st (568)	1,133.15	Gallatin 1st (334)	411.25	Presbytery Meetings	89.59
Ellis Grove, Waverly (73)	912.39	Manchester 1st (87)	411.00	Gudger Nichols	100.00
Decherd (34)	900.00	Priest Lake (186)	410.30		
Lebanon 1st (189)	779.39	Sparta First United (31)	183.25	TOTAL	20,994.67

2016 Presbytery of Middle Tennessee Hunger Grants

Reaching out across Middle Tennessee

Bellevue Community Food Pantry Nashville	\$2,000	Helping Hands of Humphreys Co. Waverly	\$2,000
Downtown Presbyterian Church Nashville	\$2,000	Loaves & Fishes Clarksville	\$2,000
Fentress Co. Food Bank Allardt	\$2,000	Project J.O.Y. Nashville	\$2,000
God's Storehouse Pulaski	\$2,000	Rutherford Co. Food Bank Murfreesboro	\$2,000
Good Samaritan Ministries Decherd	\$2,000	Second Harvest Food Bank Nashville	\$2,000
Good Samaritan Ministry Tullahoma	\$2,000	The Well Spring Hill	\$1,000
		TOTAL	\$23,000

Is your congregation involved with a local food bank? Did you know they are eligible to apply for a hunger grant from the PMT hunger program? For more information, contact the Hunger Program Task Force.