



Generosity in Uncertain Times:

What do you do when you can't pass the offering plate?

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Stewardship in Crisis

AGENDA Stewardship in Crisis

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WHAT
has
happened

2 SUNDAY for stewardship WEEKDAYS
to inspire
generosity

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NEXT

Steps



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SUNDAYS

- Worship
- Offertory



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SUNDAY FOR STEWARDSHIP

Turning a bricks and mortar church into a virtual church, we have these risks...

- 1) Members do **NOT** witness the great things happening
- 2) Members will **NOT** contribute through the offering plate
- 3) Members will feel financially uncertain

Ten Ways the Church Will be Changed By COVID-19

By Rev. Cameron Trimble, CEO of Convergence

https://convergenceus.org/2020/04/02/ten-ways-the-church-will-be-changed-by-covid-19/

Doing church online is here to stay.



LIVESTREAMING WORSHIP

- Invest in Livestreaming
- Several Foothills Presbytery Churches participating in virtual worship
- Consider collaborating with another church

Easter 2019

Easter 2020











Online Giving Through the Presbyterian Foundation

 Add a donation button to your website and include a link in your emails

Donors can set up up recurring donations

Set up multiple funds or campaigns for easy management





WEEKDAYS

- Tools
- Messaging





Stewardship Letter

- Acknowledge these are very difficult times;
- We are sailing in uncharted waters,
- To continue to serve God's people, we will need to do church differently
- People seeking hope more than in a long time
- Not on break; we are being called into action
- Adapting now as quickly as possible
- Our call is to serve God's people in crisis
- Invite to consider hold fast with their generosity - if they can - or increase if they are able,



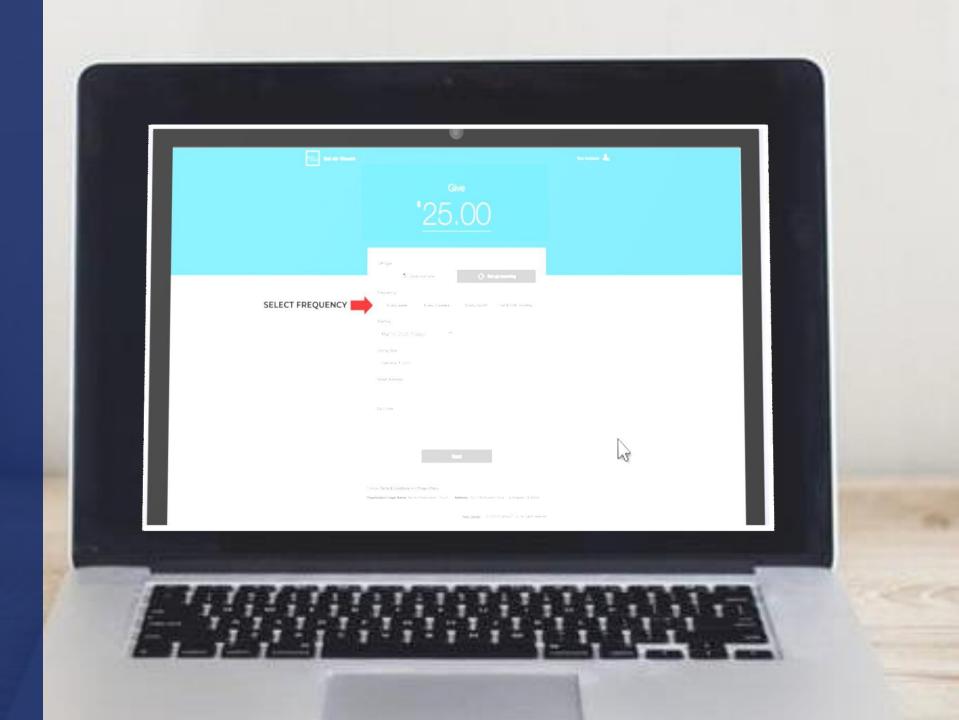
Stewardship Letter:

ADD COMPASSION

- Personal situations are changing
- Invite those who can... to step forward
- Invite those who are suffering to ask for help and to take time to heal

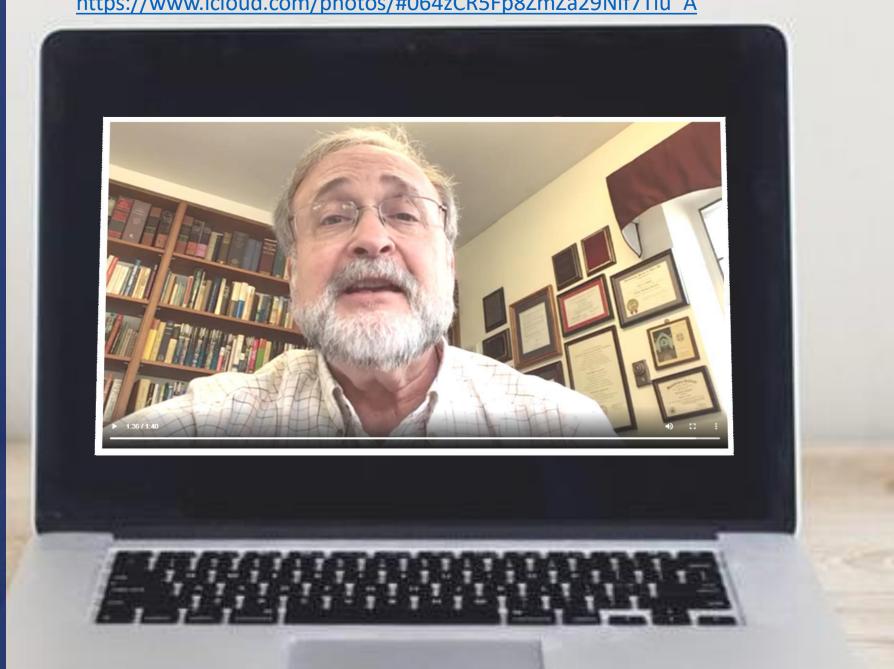


90 Second How-To Video



https://www.icloud.com/photos/#064zCR5Fp8ZmZa29Nlf7Tiu A

90 Second Check-in Videos



Help Hub

Share With Us

I NEED PRAYER

It's important to walk with you through the ups and downs of life with others. Share your prayer requests with us, and let us walk with you.

I NEED HELP

This may look different for different people. You may want someone to pray with you over the phone and offer encouragement. You may need additional resources if quarantined. Whatever it is, please reach out. We want to support you.

I CAN HELP

We are prepared to meet the needs of our congregation and our community and will want your help to do that.

Let's go be the hands and feet of Jesus and bring his love and healing where we live, work, play and learn.

I NEED PRAYER

I NEED HELP

I CAN HELP

Grow Together

HOW TO DO CHURCH AT HOME

KIDS & STUDENTS

ONLINE GROUPS AND CLASSES

Consider a Survey

- Wider sense of congregation
- Ideas on where we can go
- Read-back on where we are stuck



Other Ideas & Resources

- Establish a Covid-19 Assistance Fund
 - Many in your church/community will be impacted
 - Authorize pastor or session to provide assistance
- Presbytery & Denominational Resources

https://foothillspresbytery.org/

https://www.pcusa.org/covid19/

https://www.presbyterianfoundation.org/information-and-resources-on-covid-19/

AGENDA

Stewardship in Crisis

- 1. Make a (reasonable) plan
- 2. Review Operational Policies
- 3. Bring hope



 Create new liturgies, prayers, and songs that will carry us forward.

Church Financial Health Review – Paul Grier

Five subject areas:

- Metrics
- Cash Flow
- Ancillary Revenues
- Staffing Implications
- Campus Implications

Metrics/Key Result Areas

- Relevance
- Attendance / Participation
- Weekly giving
- Accelerate reporting
- Leadership Reporting Needs
- Consider developing a 75% budget for 2020
- Key take-away: it's essential to be on a real-time basis

Cash Flow

- Monitoring Systems
- Online and Electronic giving:
- Impacts of preschool tuition / preschool staffing
- Expenditures
- Talk to your mission partners: don't surprise them
- Review and discuss reserves and designated funds
- Review committee structure
- Key take-away: information is critical, but is helpful only if used

Monitor Ancillary Revenues

- Run a Q&D projection
- Protect space-sharing revenues from erosion
- Key take-away: monitoring and communication are essential

Staffing Implications

- Face it: it's a difficult topic
- Consult expert resources on potential government benefits available (FDN web site, BOP)
- Consider member perception vs. real-dollar savings of changes
- Key take-away: think through member reaction to staffing changes

Campus Implications

- Can some services be discontinued temporarily?
 - If your campus is closed, do you really need to heat / cool it?
 - Landscaping garbage services etc.
- Secure the campus appropriately
 - Spike in thefts of church vehicles' catalytic converters
- Do NOT compromise on safety and security
- Key take-away: campus savings are possible if wisely implemented

Stewardship in Crisis

- Questions / Concerns
- Other Announcements



THANK YOU for all that you are doing for your church!!!!!