

November 1, 2022

To all Presbytery of Milwaukee Church Treasurers,

As you previously were informed, we are changing the remittance procedures for congregations submitting donations. In the past, we asked that all money for Per Capita, Special Offerings, Shared Mission Support, and other designated mission gifts be sent to the Presbytery, and the Presbytery then distributed those funds to the appropriate recipients. Use of this process goes back a long time, but the financial structures that were in place in the denomination for collection and reporting have since changed. Congregations may now easily submit all denominational gifts directly, and some of you are already doing this. The Presbytery's recent conversion to QuickBooks also makes this change better for the accuracy and transparency of the Presbytery's internal bookkeeping. **Please note that we will no longer be crediting any January payments to the previous year, so please get any funds to us by December 31, 2022.**

For the remainder of 2022, we encourage you to send Special Offerings, the GA portion of Shared Mission Support, and other Designated Mission dollars directly to the denomination, enabling a more direct and efficient way for the funds to be distributed, and removing the Presbytery as the "receiving station." This approach helps the Presbyterian Mission Agency better assess the effectiveness of its campaigns and to do better budgetary planning. Your gifts go where they are intended faster, and that's a good thing for God's mission! In 2023, we plan to use this process exclusively. **If you are using the new remittance forms and sending your payments directly to the denomination, the deadline for payments to be credited in 2022 is January 19th, 2023.**

[New Remittance Form to Presbyterian Mission Agency](#)

Likewise, we would ask that the Shared Mission Support for the Synod be sent directly to the Synod.

[New Remittance Form to the Synod of Lakes and Prairies](#)

The Presbytery will continue to receive all funds for Per Capita, the Presbytery portion of Shared Mission Support, and the Presbytery's portion (25%) of the Peace & Global Witness Offering. We also will gratefully receive your gifts for the San Jose Fellowship in Beloit.

[New Remittance Form to the Presbytery of Milwaukee](#)

If you have any questions about the forms, we are here to help. They are also always available on our website under Documents/Forms and Policies. We have been practicing this new process together since August, and we are grateful for those of you that are already using the new forms.

We understand that change can be a challenge, but we are hoping that this becomes a more streamlined and efficient way to handle pledges and donations. This approach is used with good results in other presbyteries, so we are hopeful it will work well for us, too.

The goal is always to ensure that your generous gifts are appropriately stewarded. Thank you for the many ways you support God's mission. Your generosity toward our many denominational programs and ministries keeps our connections strong, vital, and responsive to the needs of the world. We are better together.

We would like to create a distribution list for all church treasurers, so if you are a new treasurer or if you have been treasurer for what seems like forever, please send your name, phone, email, and church to Chris Halverson, chalverson@pbymilwaukee.org.

Thank you!