

A Sharing Calendar for Lent 2025

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 9-14

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 PDA partnership near where you live. Say a prayer for those recovering from natural and human-caused disasters.

Tuesday: 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.

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

Friday: Blue T-Shirt Sunday celebrates the ministry of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Wear a blue shirt for worship this Sunday and learn more at pda.pcusa.org.

March 16-21

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 an SDOP partnership near where you live. Read about the need being addressed and say a prayer for the people involved in that ministry.

Tuesday: Social barriers can be like locked doors that hold people back and keep them from thriving as Jesus intended. Make a gift to help open doors so all people can grow and learn freely.

Wednesday: Clean water is a necessity for every living thing. Using the online map, find three projects related to water. Give a gift for each faucet in your house.

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: Millions of Americans live in a food desert, far from a store where they can buy fresh food. Make a gift for each grocery store near your home.

March 23-28

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. Say a prayer for all neighbors whom you have never met.

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. Give a gift of thanks for all the little things that help the world grow.

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 for a project and make a gift as part of remembering.

Friday: Make up a mealtime prayer and use it during meals this weekend. Give a gift in thanks for the food you have.

March 30-April 4

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 live. 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 in honor of the verse.

Thursday: Social support and connection are important parts of being healthy. Give a gift 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 for the healthy foods you had today.

April 6-11

Sunday: *Loving God, 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 needs are being addressed there? Say a prayer for the people involved in these ministries.

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 vulnerable are often the most impacted in emergency situations. Visit pcusa.org/GOHkits and ask your church to assemble kits for such emergencies.

Thursday: Think of all the things people share with you. Write a thank you note to one of these people and give a gift of thanks for their care.

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 13-18

Passion/Palm 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: Immunizations give us hope for a day when certain diseases will no longer cause sickness and pain. Give a gift for each immunization you have received.

Tuesday: It is estimated that nearly 1 in 11 people around the world will go to bed hungry each night. Make a gift to eliminate hunger.

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

Thursday: Blankets are used internationally to comfort those impacted by war and disasters. Give a gift for each blanket on your bed.

Friday: Communication can be incredibly difficult after a disaster, especially if the internet isn't working. Give a gift for every phone your family has.

April 20

Sunday - Resurrection/Easter/One Great Hour of Sharing: Present the gifts in your coin box to your congregation. Say a prayer for all those who will receive help from your generosity.

For more locations and ministries, go to pcusa.org/oghsmap or scan this code.



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