

Providence Presbytery

The 2026 ***Dimes For Hunger Special Offering*** >> “A Minute for Mission” to share this fall

Scripture references:

- Matthew 14:14 "When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick"
- Matthew 9:36 where Jesus showed compassion for crowds

Economic times are tough for many households in our five-county area of South Carolina.

Budgeting this calendar year to cover rising housing costs, utility costs, transportation costs, food costs, day care costs, and essential health care costs, in the face of significant new reductions in social support programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program [SNAP], formerly named the Food Stamps Program, is forcing many adults to make very difficult financial decisions to just sustain their and their family's basic livelihood.

Your participation here at *[insert your church's name here]* in our Presbytery's ***Dimes For Hunger*** Special Offering this year is as important as it has ever been, now going on six years since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic – and yet we still see the continuing socio-economic adversity and widespread community- and household-level strain that it spurred.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we learn from His example to be about compassion and servant-leadership in our communities today. He fed people, both physically and spiritually, in all walks of life, without judgement or disdain. We can and should dedicate our time and talents – and in this case our “treasures” – to further love our neighbors in need as Jesus would have us do.

Yes, the many not-for-profit agencies that our ***Dimes For Hunger*** Special Offering support are an extension of the “hands and feet” of Jesus, tirelessly working here in Providence Presbytery, and abroad in Central America and Africa, to support “the least of these” in our world today.

Thank you in advance for setting a congregational goal to grow your ***Dimes For Hunger*** Special Offering support by 10 percent over your 2025 level. This is a timely 2026 challenge for all churches in our Presbytery, that, if met by our church, will be one by which you can surely show your love and gratitude for the many blessings our church here in *[fill in your town's name]* has received this calendar year.

Yours in Christ,

The Providence Presbytery Hunger Action Team

Cameron Knight & Kathryn Perrill





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