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Dear Partners in Ministry,

Before I dive into the main event of this letter, I would be remiss if I didn't take a moment to invite you all to a wonderful, FREE learning opportunity next Thursday centered around the business of church. Pastors, elders, trustees, finance committees, investment committees, and property committees are all invited to the Presbytery office next Thursday, October 15, to join professionals from New Covenant Trust Company, Presbyterian Foundation, and Foundry Commercial to share resources and best practices. To learn more or register, click here:

<https://thepresbytery.org/event/church-business-workshop/>

And with that, I am pleased to share that the hard work done over the summer to present the 2027 Operating and Mission Budgets has resulted in proposed per capita information!

As of this writing, under the direction of the Budget & Finance Committee, the various committees and commissions have shared their hopes about what work NCP will undertake in 2027. Using those hopes, Budget & Finance built the 2027 Operating and Mission Budgets. Yesterday, the Leadership Council reviewed both budgets and affirmed the possibilities they contain. At our Presbytery Meeting on November 17, many of you will have the opportunity to vote on both the Operating and Mission Budgets – setting into motion the work of 2027.

In the coming days, we will share the budget presentation video and physical budgets for distribution. In the meantime, I'd like to share the proposed 2027 per capita rates. The proposed numbers are a reflection of countless hours of work done by many of your colleagues: committee meetings, prayerful discernment, calculations, research, planning, wondering and hoping. While the full justification for the recommendation will be released as part of the official budget presentation, below is the per capita proposal that will be considered at our November Presbytery Meeting.

	<u>2027 Proposed Per Capita Rate</u>	<u>2026 Per Capita Rate</u>
General Assembly	\$13.04	\$11.08
Synod	\$1.50	\$1.50
National Capital Presbytery	\$40.28	\$38.70
Total	\$54.82	\$51.28

We recommend you use the proposed 2027 numbers above when building your budgets for the coming year. If you have questions about per capita or anything else finance-related, the business office is here to help.

Blessings as we continue this important work together!

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