

**PSEC Stewardship/Development Mission Team
Annual Spring Conference Meeting Report
Spring 2022**

Fund-raising is proclaiming what we believe in such a way that we offer other people an opportunity to participate with us in our vision and mission. – Henri Nouwen, A Spirituality of Fundraising

It is a blessing to submit this report on behalf of PSEC's new Stewardship/Development Mission Team. Our purpose is to:

- Foster a spirit of generosity among the congregations of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference;
- Provide education about and encourage contributions to Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) offerings;
- Oversee all fundraising activities of the Conference.

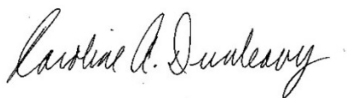
We are building upon the initial efforts of Tim Kissling, who organized several focus group conversations on stewardship and generosity in PSEC in 2021. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tim formally for laying the foundation for our ongoing work.

The mission team began with a core group branching off from the PSEC Budget and Finance Committee: Kate Hoffman, Jim Foster and myself, along with Rev. Bill Worley and Tammie Wisniewski. This group held two meetings in January and February 2022. We ran a kickoff announcement and request for members in the PSEC Weekly E-News on 3.1.22 and 3.8.22. A similar announcement and request also ran in the 3.13.22 *Communitas*. We now have three additional members on our mission team: Donald Wargo from Tabernacle UCC, Philadelphia; Rev. Dr. Chuck Maxfield; and Stacey Prohaska, Executive Director/Office of Philanthropy Services at Phoebe Ministries.

The full mission team held its first meeting in late March. In an effort to understand current best practices in stewardship and generosity, we will be working with Andrew Warner, Generosity Outreach Officer for the national United Church of Christ.

You will be hearing much more from us, so please stay tuned! We look forward to sharing information and resources with you as we work together to foster a spirit of generosity throughout PSEC.

Respectfully submitted,



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