

GIFTS TO LIVE ON GIVING CALENDAR

	SUNDAY THEME - LUKE 21:1-4	MONDAY DOMESTIC	TUESDAY REFUGEES	WEDNESDAY INTERNATIONAL	THURSDAY HOME CONNECTIONS	FRIDAY FOOD, WATER, HEALTH	SATURDAY LOCAL CHURCHES
WEEK 1	"[Jesus] looked up and saw rich people putting their GIFTS into the treasury;" Get your Coinbox (or jar or can) for your Special Offering. Give I unit to get started!	Week of Compassion partners help families build homes after disasters. Give 1 unit for each home you've lived in.	February 2024, marks 2 years of war in Ukraine. Give 2 units to provide education tools for refugees.	Climate change impacts farming, health, food and water worldwide. Give 1 unit to provide farming adaptations in local communities.	l in 10 people in the world goes to bed hungry every night. Give 1 unit for every meal or snack you eat today.	Week of Compassion partners in So. Sudan provide special care to moms after birth. Give 2 units for a new mom and infant you know.	Mt Pleasant CC in Greensboro NC has helped resettle refugees for 20 years. Give 2 units to celebrate these committed Disciples!
WEEK 2	"he also saw a widow put in two small copper coins." Give 1 unit , like the widow did. Pray for a widow you know.	In 2023, there were 25 'billion dollar disasters' in the United States. Give 1 unit to encourage disaster preparedness.	Thousands of families need assistance at the U.S. southern border each year. Give 2 units to provide medical and legal care.	The 2024 Bulletin Insert tells a story of girls' education in Afghanistan. Give 1 unit for each girl and woman in your family.	More than 2 billion people worldwide lack access to basic sanitation. Give 1 unit for each bathroom in your home.	Air pollution causes millions of illnesses & deaths each year. Give 1 unit to help provide clean air technology.	Disciples in Puerto Rico are key partners in long-term recovery after Hurricane Fiona. Give 1 unit in gratitude for Iglesia Cristiana (Discipulos de Cristo).
WEEK 3	"He said 'Truly I tell you, this widow has put in more than all of them," Give 1 unit for everyone who lives in your house (and say what you appreciate about them!).	Children's Disaster Services volunteers care for kids after disasters, shootings, & other trauma. Give 1 unit for each child (or grandchild) in your family.	In 2023, more than 110 million people worldwide were forcibly displaced. Give 3 units to support refugee resettlement.	Through Global Ministries, Disciples & UCC care for those affected by the Middle East conflict. Give 2 units in honor of ecumenical partnership.	Week of Compassion volunteers framed a 3-bedroom house during General Assembly last year. Give 1 unit for each bedroom in your family's home.	1 in 3 people worldwide does not have access to safe drinking water. Give 1 unit for each glass of water you drink today!	CELEBRATES 80 YEARS IN 2024! Give 1 unit if someone in your home has a birthday this year too!
WEEK 4	"for all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had TO LIVE ON. " Name a generous person in your life. Give 1 unit in their honor.	More than 3 million people in the U.S. were displaced by natural disasters in the last year. Give 3 units for domestic disaster response.	A 2024 Mission Moment tells of a church teaching English as a second language. Give 2 units to help new residents learn a new language.	Providing counseling and care is part of every disaster and refugee response. Give 1 unit to support resilience and mental health care.	Clean water is critical for healthy communities, and often hard to find. Give 1 unit for each water faucet in your home.	More than 3 million migrant workers are employed on farms in the U.S. Give 3 units in thanks for those who bring food to our tables.	How does YOUR church help local neighbors in need? Give 1 unit for every ministry you can name!

Sources: UN Sustainable Development Goals Knowledge Platform; UN High Commissioner for Refugees; CDC; World Health Organization; FEMA; Urban Institute; World Food Program USA