



Stewardship Ministry

We tend to use the word stewardship when we talk about faith and money. I hope we never forget that stewardship is a larger concept; it is about being faithful disciples, caring for and managing all of God's creation. What we often mean by stewardship is also referred to as financial discipleship. Philadelphia Presbytery has taken the wider view of stewardship; take time to see what it has planned for its congregations. Do you need this kind of education in your presbytery or congregation? What is your presbytery or congregation doing in the area of stewardship as it relates to our discipleship?

– Dave Crittenden



Philadelphia Presbytery – Stewardship is Discipleship

Philadelphia Presbytery is offering six stewardship events for its congregations using the overall title “Stewardship is Discipleship.” The event titles are: *Cheerful Giving: The Stewardship Emphasis*; *The Theology of Stewardship: Talking about Stewardship in the Congregation*; *Teaching Stewardship:*

Developing Stewards in the Church; *Financial Management at Home and Church*; *Planned Giving: Thinking long term about the future*; *Serving from the heart: Discipleship and Stewardship*. For more information see the presbytery's [website](#) or contact [Rev. Jeanne Radak](#) at (215) 242-1400 ext 313.

One person's observations of Stewardship Kaleidoscope 2012



Craig Showalter, Business Administrator at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio consolidated his notes from his experience of keynotes and workshops at Stewardship Kaleidoscope last month so he could share them with Westminster's Stewardship Committee. He has graciously agreed to share them with us too! They are very helpful statements – individually and collectively. [Check them out](#) to see if they would be helpful in your ministry.



Reflect on stewardship with Bible studies

Kevin Park, Associate for Theology, is the author of two stewardship-oriented Bible studies for Invitation to the Word, an invitation to five simple practices that can form us into scripture-shaped communities, congregations and individuals. It is an invitation to read, pray, study, remember and live scripture. Kevin's

reflections may be helpful in your ministry and/or spiritual life:

[Storing up Treasures](#) – Matthew 6:19-21

[Provoking Generosity](#) – 2 Corinthians 8-9

Looking for a theme for this year's annual campaign?

New for this year we have: Abundant Joy, Overflowing Generosity – 2 Corinthians 8:1-7. A preview of companion resources and helpful articles is [available free from the church store](#). Resources based on several other themes are also available [here](#).



Take part in upcoming stewardship education opportunities



10 Specific Things Your Church Can Do Differently to Improve Your Financial Stewardship featuring Clif Christopher

May 16 – 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
St Philip's Cathedral, Atlanta, Georgia

[RSVP today](#) →



Symposium on Preaching and Stewardship featuring the Rev. Dr. James Forbes

June 12–14, 2012
Location: Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, Ind.

[Details and registration](#) →

For more information on Stewardship Ministry:

[PC\(USA\) Stewardship](#) | [Presbyterian Foundation](#) | [Presbyterian Endowment Education & Resource Network](#) | [Stewardship Kaleidoscope](#) | [Ecumenical Stewardship Center](#)