

## SHARE THE STORY

As a part of the Pay It Forward challenge, you commit to sharing your story of giving and impact. We know God will do big things and reach countless people beyond the walls of our church with these gifts of grace. Let's capture God's Spirit at work so we can share how God is alive and active in our world and inspire generosity in others.

Possible ways to share your story:

- Draw a picture
- Write a story
- Create a video
- Take photos

Stories, drawings, and photos/videos can be shared with Jenna Campbell ([jenna.campbell@stillwaterfpc.org](mailto:jenna.campbell@stillwaterfpc.org)) or brought to the church office.

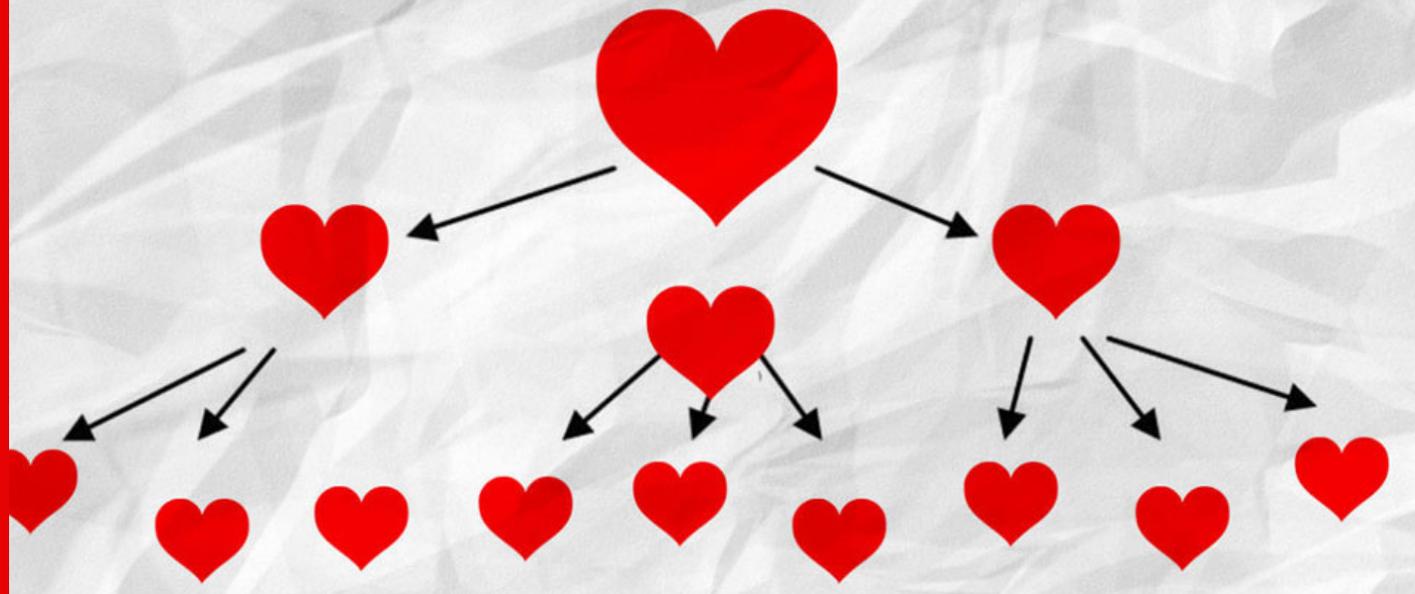
Note: when taking photos or videos of your gift in action, make sure you have the permission of others in any photo/video. Also note that it is not always appropriate to take photos or videos. Use your best judgment.

### Pay It Forward Celebration

Sunday, November 14, 2021

11:00 a.m. worship @ FPC

Children and youth will share their stories of impact at this inspiring worship service. Make plans to attend!



## PRAY

Generous God, you call us to be your hands and feet in this world. Give us eyes to see those who need your special care and fill our hearts with compassion, so that through these gifts, our lives would overflow with love and mercy to meet the needs of our neighbors. Use these gifts, and use our lives, to shine your light and love into our community and the world. Amen.



**SEE.  
GIVE.  
SHARE.  
INSPIRE.  
MAKE AN IMPACT.  
CHANGE THE WORLD.**



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH OF STILLWATER

524 S. Duncan Stillwater, OK 74074  
[www.stillwaterfpc.org](http://www.stillwaterfpc.org)

## WHAT IS PAY IT FORWARD?

Pay It Forward is an opportunity to empower FPC children and youth to make a difference in our community and the world as they experience the joy of generosity.

With the \$150 given to you for this challenge, you will be encouraged to:

- Learn about the needs in Stillwater and the world
- Listen for God's call to give
- Multiply your gift by inviting others to join you
- Give generously
- Share your story

This challenge is made possible through the generous gift of longtime FPC member Leone List.

## RULES

Recipients of the gift may not be a member of the participant's immediate family.

Participants commit to sharing their story of giving in some way.

# REFLECT

the

# Light

## HOW WILL YOU REFLECT CHRIST'S LIGHT THROUGH YOUR GIFT?

Consider using your gift in one of these six areas from Matthew 25:31-46 that we'll be studying and learning more about this year:

- Hungry
- Thirsty
- Stranger
- Naked (poor)
- Sick
- Involved in the justice system

TRULY I TELL YOU, WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF MINE, YOU DID FOR ME." MATTHEW 25:40

## GROW YOUR GIFT!

Partner with others to make an even bigger impact and multiply your gift! Invite other family members, friends, and our church family to join you with their own contributions.

## WHERE TO GIVE?

Give to wherever God is speaking to your heart about a need in the community or the world. Use these questions to discern:

- What needs do you notice in the community or world?
  - People near or far
  - Someone you know or a stranger
  - Organizations that are doing the kinds of work that touch your heart
- What passions do you have? What are you interested in? What do you enjoy?
- Is there an area where the needs you've identified and your passions connect?
- Where could your gift really make a meaningful impact?
- How can your gift make an even bigger impact? Who can you invite to join you?
- Pray for God's direction: pay attention to where God is leading your heart to make an impact.

## PARENTS/FAMILIES

Let your children lead this process! They are perceptive to the needs they see and often have ideas adults wouldn't think of. Spend time in conversation with them, asking questions that help them consider areas they could make a difference. Talk with them about the needs they see and if they are interested, link them with organizations and people doing work in that area. But most of all, listen, encourage, empower, and support them in their generosity.