

January 10, 2022

Dear North Lake members and friends:

I am writing to ask you to lean forward in faith with God and North Lake in 2022.



Leaning Forward is our stewardship theme as well as our posture for facing the uncertainties and challenges of the coming year. I will explain more about that in the message on Sunday, January 16, based on the scriptures *Isaiah 10:20* and *Philippians 3:13-14*. You will hear, among other things, that our Finance Committee and Session are working to develop a leaner 2022 budget, realistic about the impact of the pandemic and overall giving trends. Please plan to participate in worship either in person or online as we outline some of the important issues and opportunities ahead for North Lake.

With your continuing generosity, and of course with God's blessing, North Lake has a robust, exciting future. You can help us to plan by estimating and communicating your financial commitment for 2022. With a 2022 Commitment Card you can indicate your level of support for our operating budget, that includes everything from light bulbs and air conditioning to communion elements and live-streaming the services to computer screens and security measures to all the resources and staffing for ministry! Please devote some thought and prayer to your North Lake contributions, and then let us know what you're planning.

Here are the ways you can do that.

- Look for the North Lake mailing to your home that includes a 2022 Commitment Card or pick up a card at the church. Then return your completed card.
 - **Bring your completed card to worship on Sunday, January 30.** At all three services we'll have a moment when you are invited to carry forward your card and offer it to God. If you've not done that previously, it is a moving experience to set your commitment alongside others before the Lord.
 - If you are not expecting to attend worship on campus January 30th, you can still drop off your card at the church anytime or mail it to the office (975 Rolling Acres Road, Lady Lake, FL 32159).

OR

- Visit our North Lake website at northlakepc.org and fill out a 2022 Commitment Card online. You can find the link at the bottom of the homepage or by using the "GIVE" tab on the menu.

As Senior Pastor and the head of an outstanding staff, **I want to add my personal thanks** for your faithful giving to the operating budget and to the monthly missions designated in the Second Mile Offering. My wife Bobbi and I consider it a privilege to be part of this loving and affirming congregation. We also feel great about our own contributions to God through North Lake Presbyterian Church.

Our ministry plans and potential depend entirely upon the Holy Spirit and your generosity. What we do collectively with our finances gives shape and substance to who we are in Christ. **Let's lean forward together as partners in the Gospel**, offering the love of Jesus to a world desperate for good news.

Yours in Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Hosmer".

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey A. Hosmer