# The ***Church Economics*** Series

Sponsored jointly by presbyteries and the Presbyterian Foundation, *Church Economics* is a review and analysis of the financial drivers that affect and predict congregational vitality and sustainability. Led by Foundation leaders with a background in both finance and church governance, this series consists of four 90-minute modules over a period of six months.

Each module consists of a presentation of research and benchmark data, together with participant discussion of their own situations, challenges and potential opportunities. Modules are scheduled at 45-day intervals and will include homework assignments before the second, third, and fourth module.

The curriculum is as follows:

#1 – context and overview: A Clearer Look at Today's Church
#2 - church income
#3 – church spending and facility implications
#4 –pathways forward

The Presbytery's responsibilities include:

- arranging for a host venue (all modules are conducted in person and are not live streamed) and light meal
- extending invitations to those churches identified as being appropriate for this type of information
- receiving and maintaining RSVPs
- having a presbytery leader attend each of the four modules

While all Session members are welcome to attend, most churches send their pastor, Treasurer, Clerk of Session, and, if appropriate, their Committee on Ministry liaison.

There is no cost from the Presbyterian Foundation for this series of programs. *Church Economics* is a visible and valuable expression of the denomination's connectional nature and of the presbytery's ongoing support of its congregations.

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