## WORSHIP

## Offering

This action is an act of praise and a visible response of Christians to God's gracious presence. First, the believers offered their prayers; now they respond with what God has empowered them to earn.

The gifts of God's people are a response to God's blessings "as God has prospered them" (1 Corinthians 16:2). Our offerings are for the support of the church. They enable the church to provide the written and spoken Word of God, Christian education, and pastoral care, food, clothing, shelter, and a helping hand to those in need.

The collection plate or basket passes from person to person, so that everyone has an opportunity to praise the Lord with a gift.

Source:

...Meaningful Worship – CPH

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