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ONLINE APPLICATIONS
FOR CHURCHES
All our apps work together to form a Church Management System your staff and members will love to use. By crafting different apps for each major task, your people don’t need to learn a huge system. Instead, they can enjoy an experience clearly created with their specific job in mind.

Each ministry in your church has different goals and challenges that can be solved simply by different Planning Center Apps. This booklet is organized by ministry, to help you see how our apps work together. If you’d rather see all the apps in once place, the back cover gives a brief description of each individual app.
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PLANNING CENTER FOR ADMINISTRATION

Overseeing a growing church is no small task. Our applications are lovingly crafted to help you stay connected to your people and keep your facilities running smoothly.

Applications highlighted in this section:

- **People** - Equip volunteers and staff with insights on church members so they can effectively minister to them.
- **Giving** - Manage cash, check, and online donations, track donor giving, and issue giving statements in one system.
- **Resources** - Track and approve what rooms and resources are being used, who can use them, and when.
CONNECT WITH PEOPLE

Your church is about people. You want to welcome guests, let volunteers know they’re appreciated, and re-engage with people who you haven’t seen in a while.

People helps you create subsets of members, guests, and volunteers. Establish smart filters, share them with certain staff members, and start sending better emails.

GET INSIGHT INTO THE MAKEUP OF YOUR CHURCH

If your church is growing it can be hard to keep a pulse on the makeup of your congregation. Are 10% of the members doing 90% of the volunteering? Are guests coming back? How many registrants for Summer Camp attended your church before? People helps you track this type of information so you can make better decisions.
MANAGE ALL YOUR GIVING IN ONE PLACE

Giving tracks all donations in a single, elegant dashboard. No matter how a donor gives, their complete donor history is maintained throughout the year and their contact information is synced with People. Track every dollar by establishing funds. Count batches of checks and cash quickly and accurately.

GIVE DONORS AN EASY WAY TO GIVE

The donor’s side of Giving is simple and intuitive. There’s no app to download, no setup process, and no barriers. In about 20 seconds, a donor can give a one-time gift or establish a recurring gift. They’ll get an email receipt for their records and the donation is added to their history.
MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR CHURCH’S FACILITIES

Groups need a space to meet, chairs to sit on, and mics to sing into. Resources helps you make sure there are no double bookings and everyone has what they need. Establish approval groups for rooms and resources to define responsibility and bring some order to the chaos.

HELP YOUR SETUP TEAM BE MORE EFFICIENT

With so many events going on, your setup crew needs timely, accurate information. By tracking your events in Resources your team can run event reports whenever they need. Room setup diagrams, event notes, and approval status are all a click (or a tap) away.
PLANNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN

The first impression for most church visitors is with your children’s ministry. Make it great with a quick and safe check-in system, organized volunteers, and events coordinated with Planning Center.

Applications highlighted in this section:

- **Check-Ins** - Safely and quickly check kids or volunteers into classrooms and track attendance for any event.
- **Services** - Coordinate service plans, schedule all volunteers, and provide rehearsal tools for music teams.
- **Registrations** - Accept sign-ups, receive payments, and organize the details of events.
- **People** - Equip volunteers and staff with insights on church members so they can effectively minister to them.
CHECK KIDS IN QUICKLY

No matter how many kids you have, you want to check them in as fast as possible. Check-Ins lets you use any device as a check-in station, so with unlimited stations, you can even use your phone as a temporary station. Take it up another notch using barcode scanners and get that line moving!

MAKE SAFETY YOUR FIRST PRIORITY

When you check kids in, Check-Ins prints a name label for each child with medical notes, and a security label for the parent. Match up the labels for a secure checkout, or in an emergency, you can get the parent's phone number from the child's label. Plus, with a real-time admin dashboard, you know where each kid is at all times.
SCHEDULE YOUR VOLUNTEERS

Keep track of your teams, teachers, and their availability 24/7. Send them scheduling requests from Services that they can respond to at a time that works for them. You can even let Services do the heavy lifting using auto-schedule, or let your volunteers pick their own dates using signup sheets.

GET KIDS REGISTERED FOR CAMPS AND EVENTS

Putting together big events can be a ton of work. While you focus on planning great activities, Registrations keeps track of who’s coming with beautiful signup pages, easy payments and powerful administration tools.
COLLECT AND TRACK REGISTRATION EXPENSES

Many events require you to collect payments, keep track of tshirt orders and sizes, know who paid for extras, or manage discounts and scholarships. Registrations not only makes you look good, but also gives you a better rate on payment processing than any other registration app.

TREAT EVERY CHILD LIKE YOUR OWN

To truly give a child the best care, you need to know the details, and People gives you a place to save them. Store which school they attend, their birthday, parent’s contact info, and any other information you want so you can make them feel like part of your family.
Putting together a worship service shouldn’t feel like a circus. If you’re juggling music prep, volunteer scheduling, or service planning, Planning Center has apps made just for you.

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- **Music Stand** - An add-on to Services, this iPad and Android music reader loads your setlists so you can turn pages with a foot pedal and take notes.
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PLAN YOUR MUSIC SETS WITH EASE

There are a lot of worship songs out there! Services helps you organize the songs you use, so you can easily find all your fast worship choruses in G that you haven’t done in 3 months. Plus it transposes chord charts and even audio files so your teams can rehearse in the right key.

GET YOUR MUSICIANS TO REHEARSE

With Services, your team can access any file they need for rehearsing. Use the media player from our mobile apps to listen to music in the car, print chord charts from a computer, or use the add-on Music Stand app on tablets to turn pages with a foot pedal and take notes.
SIMPLIFY TEAM SCHEDULING

If you have a bigger team, assembling your volunteer roster can be complicated. Services makes scheduling your band, vocals, tech or any other team simple.

View your list of guitarists, choose one with no scheduling conflicts, and email or text them a scheduling request.

BE AVAILABLE 24/7, EVEN WHEN YOU’RE NOT

Why does your phone always ring on your way home from church or during dinner? Services is there for your team even when you can’t be.

They can block out dates, accept or decline scheduling requests, check call times and access files any time, and the internet doesn’t even blink.
COLLABORATE SEAMLESSLY WITHOUT EVEN TRYING

Whether you’re on staff or help plan services in your spare time, other members of your team need to be in the know. With Services, there’s always one place anyone can go to get the latest information. Multiple people can plan or schedule simultaneously, and it updates live for everyone else.

KEEP ATTENDANCE RECORDS FOR YOUR CHOIR

Even if your choir members confirm, somehow they don’t always show up. Use Services to schedule them and get them their music, and then use Check-Ins on a kiosk to check them in for rehearsal and services. Use attendance reports to see who’s often missing, so you can follow up.
CARE FOR YOUR TEAM MEMBERS

Organization and planning are only parts of leading a great team. **People** helps you give the personal touch. See who's a member, if they've been baptised, what events they've registered for or checked in to, or any custom data you set up. Powerful filtering helps you find people and track all communications with them.
PLANNING CENTER FOR YOUTH

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SCHEDULE YOUR VOLUNTEERS

Keep track of your volunteers and their availability 24/7. Send them scheduling requests from Services through email, text, Facebook or our mobile app and their midnight responses won’t even wake you up.

GET YOUR YOUTH BAND TO REHEARSE

Let’s face it, even the slightest barrier can prevent your bands from learning their music. Services helps you pick music and share it with your team, and gives them great rehearsal tools they can use anywhere.
KEEP GREAT ATTENDANCE RECORDS

If you need a way to keep tabs on which students show up regularly and which might need you to follow up, CheckIns has you covered. Check them in from any device and use reports to see who might be slipping away.

CARE FOR YOUR STUDENTS

One way to show you care is to remember the details, and People gives you a place to save them. Store which school they attend, their social profiles, other church activity, and personal notes you can share with staff or keep private.
Each main app has its own pricing package levels. To sign up, you'll choose apps, package levels, and add-ons, and the combined total is billed to your church monthly.

You can add apps and add-ons, or change package levels at any time, so we recommend signing up for a little at a time, and upgrading or adding on as you need more. There are no setup fees, contracts, or hidden charges, plus your first 30 days of any app or add-on are free.

Estimate your pricing using our online cost calculator by choosing a preset option based on church size, and then customizing it to your specific needs.

Try it for yourself at: planning.center/pricing
At Planning Center we love building quality web software to help churches focus on what matters most to them. If you have questions on any of our apps, or would like to learn more, please find us on the web at: http://planning.center.

**check-ins**
A fast, simple, and secure check-in system with unlimited check-in stations, custom labels, and a live administration panel.

**giving**
A comprehensive donation management system for churches. Donors can give by check, cash, card, or bank transfer.

**groups**
There's a lot going on at your church. Easily, organize, manage, track, and promote your groups with this flexible group platform.

**people**
The hub that connects all Planning Center apps together. Contact info, communications, and church activity in one place. Oh yeah, and it's 100% free!

**registrations**
Publish slick event pages where families can register for camps and events online, choose add-ons, and make payments.

**resources**
Facilities management built for churches. Reserve rooms, establish approval groups, and publish event calendars.

**services**
Our most popular app. Schedule your teams, manage your music, and revolutionize the way you plan your worship services.

**music stand**
Powerful Services add-on for:
- viewing setlists
- annotating sheet music