



Now is the Time!

This is going to be a tremendous year! We've got so much going on here.

- **We've got programming galore!** Get your programming! I'm constantly amazed at how much programming we have for our size of a congregation – this is how we grow and create community outside of Sunday morning. Currently we have book groups galore, an anti-racism/anti-oppression working group, the environmental film festival, classes on spirituality and philosophy, a crafting group, a writing group, and atheist/humanist/agnostic group, choir – and so much more is planned!
- **We've got Ukrainians!** They are so thankful that we have given them this starter home here in the US. Unfortunately, it costs a lot in the rising electricity bills, particularly with the cold weather we've been having. But this is our ministry, and we want to support them.
- **We will have a new intern!** Her name is Wendy Karn and she will be starting with us in September. We would love to be able to pay her to some extent, but it will depend on how the pledge drive goes.
- **We've got a sanctuary to build!** Your Sanctuary Committee and the Board are being fiscally responsible with the money you've donated, and we are waiting for prices to come down later this year. But we are moving forward!
- **We've got wonderful, dedicated Staff!** Our staff are all doing really well and with inflation we'd like to offer staff increases. Our salaries are "fairshare" (match UUA guidelines) and we'd like to keep it that way.
- **We've got membership growth!** We've got new members joining all the time and our numbers are even up this year over last year! Do you know how rare that is post-pandemic?! It's amazing!

And we've got this fabulous, amazing, wonderful, and generous community!

Do you know how much we are thriving? This place is *alive* with energy and creativity. And it's all because of you and your dedication to this church.

Now is the time to pledge – that time of year when we ask you to give from your heart, to give with joy to this beloved community. If it is within your means, please consider raising your pledge by 10% or more. We want to continue thriving and to grow and all of this will be up to each and every one of us.

Let's do this!

In love,

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