

Going *Forward!*

2017-2018 Canvas Campaign

The Importance of Our Church

The Board, staff, and volunteers of First Unitarian-Universalist Church believe in the importance of this congregation within the City of Detroit. As we go forward, and make changes, let us remember that a building does not make a congregation: The people are the church.

Our present church building and campus has not always been the home for the Unitarians and Universalists in Detroit. Since 1881, the Unitarians and Universalists have moved, reorganized and built within the City of Detroit. Just as our forefathers and mothers, we will continue to go forward as a congregation. Detroit is a resilient city and so are the Unitarian Universalists of Detroit.

Your yearly pledge is the financial backbone of our congregation. With your support, we can plan and go forward as a church family. We hope you will increase your support by 5% for the upcoming year.

We remain optimistic about the future, though we lack the ability to know the future. Working together, the Board and Minister are carefully considering all of our options for the continual growth and financial security of our congregation. We can not expect the church's endowment to assist us during this time. We have the ability and resources to meet the present challenges. Your pledge is important to our church! Please be generous.

Pledging is Easy! Just Three Steps!

Step 1: Find or make a copy of a 2017-2018 Pledge Form.

Step 2: Complete your 2017-2018 Pledge Form,

Step 3: Return it to Joan Smykowski, Bob Lauer or Kathe Stevens.

Why is Pledging Important During This Uncertain Time?

Yes, the future is uncertain for our congregation. However, a financial safety-net will allow us to go forward with confidence as we make many decisions in the future.

Is Pledging Expected of Me as a Member of UU Detroit?

Yes, there are three requirements to being considered a member of First Unitarian-Universalist Church: (1.) Signing the Membership Book, (2.) Making a financial pledge and/or (3.) Making a donation of record.

Will We Continue to Meet Our Vision and Mission as a Church?

Yes, your pledge is vitally important to allow us to plan, strategize for positive outcomes that meet our Vision and Mission. We hope you will increase your financial pledge for the coming year.

FIRST UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

4605 Cass, Detroit MI 48201

2017 - 2018 PLEDGE FORM

Name

Name

Street, City, State, Zip Code

Preferred Phone

Preferred Phone

Email

Email

In support of the Annual Operating Budget of the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit, I/we pledge the amount of \$_____ for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

New Membership

Pledging Friend

Membership Renewal

Relinquish Membership

It is my/our intent to complete payment of this pledge by June 30, 2018. I/we understand that if circumstances change, the above amount may be revised or cancelled by notifying the Treasurer in person, via mail to the church address (above), or at treasurer@1stuu.org.

Pledger's Signature

Date

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Date

ACKNOWLEDGED

Canvasser's Signature

Date

Send confirmation of this pledge and membership status to me electronically

Mail confirmation of this pledge and membership status to my home address

Add/Keep me on UU Detroit's US Postal Service mailing list

Add/Keep me on UU Detroit's emailing distribution list

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**Please return this form to Joan Smykowski (Canvass Committee Chair),
Bob Lauer (Treasurer), or Kathe Stevens (Board President.)**

