

## **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Petoskey**

P. O. Box 873, Petoskey, MI 49770 March 19, 2017

Dear Fellow Congregants,

Each year brings its own progress and its own challenges, and since 1993, UUCOP has been coming together to meet the challenges and celebrate the progress. Together. We are beginning the planning for our 25th year of existence! Together.

We have spent this winter's Sundays revisiting the Seven Principles which provide the foundation for Unitarian Universalism. It has been a stimulating and soul-searching process to give deep thought to those values which bring us together in worship and as a congregation. It has been an important process - especially in times when values we share, more than ever, need to be protected and defended.

As we plan for the upcoming year, we ask for your continuing support. Each of us contributes in our unique and various ways - sharing our time, talents and resources. These contributions sustain our congregation. Take a moment to be mindful of the gifts given this past year - from preparing Sunday services to preparing coffee, from arranging presenters to arranging the worship space, from providing hospitality to providing leadership, and from supporting each other with compassion to supporting the congregation with financial contributions. All of these are essential and appreciated.

Today, we are asking that each of us consider making a pledge of financial support. In addition to our normal yearly expenses of UUA and regional dues, rent, insurance, property taxes, charitable donations and sundry other items, we are making plans to increase our visibility through advertising and special programming so that we can be assured that others are aware of the opportunities for inclusive worship that UUCOP offers. Furthermore, we are anticipating the need to provide support in tangible ways in defense of the principles and values we hold dear.

As always, your pledge is confidential and based on the understanding that each of us will determine the amount that is reasonable for our personal circumstances. If, during the course of the year, life changes those circumstances, we understand. Thank you in advance for pledging your support.

Yours in the UU spirit,

Your 2016-2017 Board Pat Hartlep, Diane Lake, Kim Nowack, Betty Palm and Alison White

## 2017-2018 Pledge Form



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My pledge of fina	ncial support to ou	ır congregation for	the upcoming year will be:
weekly	monthly	quarterly	annual
in the amount of \$			
Name			Date

Thank you! Please return to Allison White by April 9th.