

# Imagine Together

Dear Friends,

October 13, 2024

It's no coincidence that First Congregational Church's annual stewardship campaign leads up to the Thanksgiving holiday. God has given us the seeds of faith, family and friends to share our bounty, our human harvest, with others – in our congregation, community and beyond.

We ask this year that leading up to Stewardship Sunday on Nov. 17, you consider how our church through your faith and our fellowship has the opportunity to live out Jesus' teachings of compassion, generosity and justice. That's our challenge to you: To support Christ's ministry through your dollars for our local mission and our wider-world goals.

Four of your friends during each of the next four Sunday morning worship services will discuss how our faith community nourishes their souls to be kinder, more thoughtful and selfless.

Our theme this year is "Imagine Together." We invite you to imagine a more loving, peaceful world made stronger through our gifts.

Pastor Jeffrey again challenges each of our family units to pledge, so that we may know, in advance, our projected income and budget accordingly for the 2025 fiscal year. Only with such advance commitments are we able to realistically plan our church's many missions for the year.

We ask that you give what you can, be it \$10, \$100, \$1,000 or more per month to support the good work of our faith community.

Please plan to pledge, as you are able, by Nov. 17, 2024. You may do by:

- Completing and submitting the First Congregational Online Pledge Form: [www.riponcongregationalucc.org/pledge](http://www.riponcongregationalucc.org/pledge)
- Completing the enclosed Pledge Card and mailing it in the enclosed envelope or dropping it in the offering plate on Oct. 27 or Nov. 3, 10 or 17.

Be assured your pledge will be confidential whether you make it online, by mail, or drop it in the offering plate. Questions about your pledge? Feel free to call Andy Lyke (920-858-4116) or Pastor Jeffrey (920-748-5898).

During our November 17 worship service, we look forward to celebrating our collective generosity that will provide robust commitment to our missions!

Blessings,

– Rev. Jeffrey Dodson, Cal Edwards, Mary Iserman, Andy Lyke, Tim Lyke, Bill Neill, Judy Neill, Preston Osteen, Daniel Volkmann

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