

Bring this card to our Stewardship Bring a Dish on March 2nd or...

Put in offering plate

Email to info@fusp.org

Give to Cass Cochrane

Mail to 2560 Highway 22 # 324, Scotch Plains,
NJ 07076

Or go to fusp.org to pledge online.

I hereby pledge to pay \$ _____ to
FUSP for the year 2019-2020

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

I will pay my pledge in:

lump sum payment

equal monthly amounts

other

I cannot make a pledge, but I would like to support FUSP
with a financial contribution of _____.



Dear Friends,

Four months ago, this congregation walked out of the doors of the First Unitarian Society of Plainfield at 724 Park Avenue for the last time. We ceased to be who we were in that building, and became a new community.

We are rising up to become a strong, confident, and faithful Unitarian Universalist congregation.

We are rising up to be a covenanted community, where we make promises to each other about how we treat each other, and have a clear path to communicate our pain when someone hurts us, and to forgive and be forgiven.

We are rising up to be a safe community, with explicit Safe Congregations policies and procedures. All of the members of our community have the right to worship free of physical or emotional harm.

We are rising up to be a mission-driven community, and we will put our money where our mission is. We can now use more of our time, talent and treasure to live our mission.

The phoenix is born from ashes. So too, shall we rise up from the ashes and carry the flame of hope, carry the flame of community, carry the flame of compassionate action into a new religious landscape.

Here are our basic plans for the 2019-2020 church year:

Staffing Plan:

- **Half-time minister.** Our minister will also be taking on an additional role, as the mentor to a divinity student. She expects to preach and/or supervise the student minister 3 Sundays a month.
- **Student intern minister.** The student will preach two Sundays a month during the academic year, and bring a second perspective on living our lives as UUs into our culture.
- **Music director,** to bring a diverse array of UU music into our worship.

Worship Plan:

- **Dynamic services** that will strive to meet the needs of all ages and inspire compassionate action
- **Music and worship** budget will be increased
- **Best practices in all-ages worship**
- **Support for small group development** to deepen our connections within our community

Denominational Support:

- We commit to being a **full fair share denomination**, in our economic support for the UUA.
- Support for **NJ Faith Action**
- **Nurturing student ministers** to be the next generation of UU leaders.
- **Becoming leaders** in great, all ages worship.

Putting our Money Where our Mission Is:

We are committed to giving outside of ourselves of our time, our talent, and our treasure. Our plate donations comprise 5% of our budget. **100% of our plate offerings will be donated to organizations of the congregation's choosing.**

Reaching Out:

• Fully-funded **marketing plan**, developed with our Launchpad consultant team

We will be rising up on **Sunday, March 3rd, our Stewardship Sunday, with a special service.** We will have a bring-a-dish following the service .

As always, you can contact me with any questions and concerns by emailing president@fusp.org, calling (908) 432-4134 and I'm around most Sundays.

Thank you again for your continued support!

-Melissa