

# HOW MANY WAYS DO YOU BEND THE ARC?

- People of Color Circle
- Beloved Conversations
- Listening Circles on “Black Lives Matter”
- HomeFront
- Women’s March
- Prison Outreach
- Anchor House
- Food Ministry
- Loaves & Fishes
- MLK Day
- Mitten Tree
- Turkeys for TASK
- Journey Toward Wholeness Library
- Youth Service Opportunities Project
- Multi Generational Family Social Justice Group
- Love Drop
- Faith in Action Group
- Children’s Racial Justice Library
- Earth Ministry
- ROMEO and JULIET luncheons at Mate’s Inn
- HomeFront Furnish the Future Program

## UUCWC PLEDGE CAMPAIGN 2017–2018

will continue from Sunday, March 19th,  
through Sunday, April 16th.

The campaign is seeking 100% participation with a goal of raising \$415,000 and supporting a budget that fully funds our expenses.

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Join the Journey.  
Open to You.

Our Deeply  
Committed  
Community –  
*Bending the  
Arc Toward  
Justice*

PLEDGE CAMPAIGN  
2017–2018

*This Year's Pledge Campaign Theme*

THE ARC OF THE  
MORAL UNIVERSE  
IS LONG.  
BUT IT BENDS  
TOWARD JUSTICE.

– Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Many of us know this quote by the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. who paraphrased these words to great effect in his famous “Where Do We Go From Here” speech of August 1967 to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

But did you also know who inspired Dr. King?

The theme was inspired by our very own Unitarian (Transcendentalist) Minister Theodore Parker, who predicted the inevitable success of the abolitionist movement in 1850 by saying:

*“I do not pretend to understand the moral universe; the arc is a long one, my eye reaches but little ways; I cannot calculate the curve and complete the figure by the experience of sight; I can divine it by conscience. And from what I see, I am sure it bends towards justice.”*

The Unitarian tradition of social justice activism began long ago and continues with strength today. This year's theme celebrates our social justice legacy and how WE at the UUCWC “bend the arc” still today.

## WHY IS MY PLEDGE IMPORTANT?

In addition to supporting “Bending the Arc,” you will also receive:

- A chance to live out your UU values and feel the sense of peace and contentment that this affords.
- The knowledge that your giving matters and that ALL of our UU friends, staff and leaders are grateful for YOUR generosity.
- A feeling of accomplishment, knowing that through you and the UUCWC community, our spiritual home will continue to flourish for another hundred years.

## WHAT SHALL I PLEDGE?

It takes money to sustain our church and its mission to create community, celebrate life, and change the world — *about \$2,000 per household*. This includes our mortgage, utilities, maintenance, staffing, denominational support, insurance and other expenses. We recognize individual and family circumstances affect the ability to financially support us. We suggest using 2.5 – 5% of income as a guideline when pledging your support of our community and spiritual home.

## HOW DO I MAKE MY PLEDGE?

Beginning on Stewardship Sunday, March 19th, and for the following four Sundays through April 16th, tables will be set up in the church lobby, staffed by Stewardship Committee members who will assist you in the pledge process.

If you pledged in the past year, an envelope containing your pledge form along with the amount of last year's pledge will be available. Those pledging for the first time can pick up a form.

We prefer each household come prepared to complete the pledge form at a table on a Sunday and place it in the box conveniently provided at the tables.

*Members may also:*

- Bring their completed form to church during the pledge campaign.
- Mail their completed form.
- Complete an online form through the UUCWC website.

We encourage members to set up auto-payments through their checking, credit card, or Paypal account.