Securing the Future

Financial Justice for Ministers

Ideas for Congregations to Support Securing the Future: Financial Justice for Ministers

Use your weekly and monthly communications to members—both print and electronic—to raise awareness of the issue of clergy indebtedness and how the Ministers' Financial Vitality Initiative (MFVI) is making a difference. Ready-to-use bulletin inserts and newsletter articles can be found at <u>https://www.pbucc.org/securing-the-future/stf-resources</u>.

Share the Securing the Future: Financial Justice for Ministers brochure with your congregation electronically to prepare for adult education session sharing this video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oH32wVCnffY) to educate, create discussion, and highlight the importance of this issue.

Highlight the need and the campaign during worship, using one of the video clips available or the *Securing the Future* worship materials <u>https://www.pbucc.org/securing-the-future/stf-resources</u>

Receive a special offering during worship on one Sunday for each of the next three years.

Consider taking the offering in honor of your current pastor or a former pastor.

Encourage members to give directly to the campaign at ucc.org or at the mailing address below.

Bring a request to the appropriate governing group—Church Council, Deacons, Missions Committee (\$1,000 each year for the next three years or a \$1,000 gift pledge over the next three years).

Consider whether giving could be inspired in gratitude for your congregation's capacity to compensate your current pastor justly, and to be in solidarity with other congregations who can't?

Please note:

✓ The United Church of Christ and The Pension Boards are environmentally friendly. Join our efforts to preserve our earth and create a just world by making your donation online at ucc.org (this is the hyperlink <u>Donate Now - United Church of Christ (ucc.org)</u>.

✓ Checks, made out to "Securing the Future" and earmarked "MFVI" can be mailed to:

United Church of Christ PO BOX 71957 Cleveland, OH 44194

- ✓ All contributions will be recognized on the UCC and Pension Boards websites, and individual gifts will be acknowledged for tax purposes.
- ✓ Please contact the Rev. Dr. Paul Ramsey, Pension Boards Philanthropy Officer, with any questions or comments about supporting *Securing the Future*

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