We grow together in faith. We serve a God of abundance. We are blessed to have faithful givers. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." (1 Peter 4:10)

We know that our world and our neighborhood need the church’s message of justice and love, and we know that we need each other to keep that message strong.

Let’s be generous and world-changing disciples.

Give to support the mission and justice work of the United Methodist Church through shared giving.
(Appportions: $71,189)

Give to build vibrant worship, and a music program that moves us and brings joyful voices together.
(Music Staff: $66,250; Worship Team: $7,005)

Give to foster religious education that nurtures our children and grounds their values.
(Education: $8,910)

Give to strengthen our spiritual services that care for all congregants and all paths to growth.
(Pastoral Staff: $79,200)

Give to sustain our building for our congregation’s life, and for our mission through ROOTS, People’s Harm Reduction Alliance, U Temple Children’s School, Friday Feast and the Thrift Store.
(Administrative Staff: $25,992; Admin and Office Expense: $43,900; Utility Expense: $60,000; Building Maintenance Expense: $12,200)

"Earn all you can. Save all you can. Give all you can." John Wesley

Your generosity is the most important form of support for our church.


Thank you for your support of U Temple! Your pledge makes church possible.

Our shared generosity fuels the growth of our dynamic congregation and all that it offers: worship that inspires us, music that moves us, religious education that nurtures our children and youth, justice work that transforms the world, and the beloved church community that supports us, challenges us, and welcomes us each week.

We commit because even in this tumultuous time, this congregation matters more than ever!

By pledging now, you help us plan and budget responsibly to support our ministry, staff, and outreach. Let’s do everything we can to grow in God’s love and compassion by serving and giving.

Inside, you will see how and why.
Human Needs Appeal

For more than 50 years the Human Needs Appeal has distributed funds from University Temple members’ pledges to organizations that work to solve social-justice problems and serve the needs of people in the University District. These groups are required to make oral and written reports to University Temple, and applications are reviewed annually by our Human Needs Appeal Committee. In 2017, Human Needs Appeal has aided the following agencies.

Country Doctor Free Teen Clinic - This is an institution for the pediatric residency program of the UW School of Medicine. The clinic’s services to youth include preventive care, acute care, testing for pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, immunizations, naturopathy, massage and acupuncture.

Elizabeth Gregory Home - It offers transitional housing, case management and drop-in services to homeless single women. Women leaving shelters need support to build skills and self-esteem to ensure self-sufficiency and reunite with their loved ones.

People’s Harm Reduction Alliance – In the alley beside University Temple, PHRA operates an exchange program for the nation. This service helps the community by lowering the rates of transmission of certain diseases, especially hepatitis and HIV. Trained experts offer hepatitis testing and counseling.

University District Food Bank – This agency’s main goals are (1) to provide supplemental food and (2) to connect food-bank customers with needed social services. Each week more than a thousand families receive healthful food, infant-care supplies and referral information to services such as job training, food stamps, free and reduced school meals, health care and utility assistance.

United Churches Emergency Fund – UCEF’s main purpose is providing eviction protection to keep families from becoming homeless, helping with rent and utility bills and assisting homeless families and individuals who are moving into housing.

Teen Feed – This agency feeds the hungry, secures health and housing and offers relationships and support to homeless youth and young adults. Teen Feed is more than just a healthy meal. Its support programs build on the connections made during the Teen Feed meal and street outreach, developing relationships with youth to help them achieve their goals. Teen Feed works with Service Links for Youth, Street Talk Outreach Program and ROOTS Young Adult Shelter.

Please help us continue our tradition of reaching beyond our church boundaries to those in need. Please consider a generous pledge to the Human Needs Appeal. Thank you. -- the Human Needs Appeal Committee

Testimonials

Jimmy Carter said, “I have one life and one chance to make it count for something. My faith demands that I do whatever I can, wherever I am, whenever I can, for as long as I can with whatever I have, to try to make a difference.” A worthy mantra, and one that I have embraced with my one life and my faith. At the Temple I have found countless opportunities to live out my faith in this way. Be it serving breakfast at the ROOTS shelter or rebuilding wild-fire decimated houses in Omak. Be it pushing the conversation on racial justice or promoting social activism at the Lenten Retreat. Or be it my new dream – to fundraise and build over 12 mini-homes for the homeless over the next year. Regardless – the seeds of my faith, nurtured here at the Temple, are helping me make a difference. My growth, and yours, our service, and yours, my giving, and yours are making our lives count for something….and together, we will make a difference. Grow, serve, give.

~ Dale Hoff

It is an honor to be asked to write about what I do to give in our church. On Fridays I help with the kitchen to prepare the lunch for community people. I do dishwashing and join the lunch group for my best meal of the week. There is a great group of people who come together to prepare delicious food. I join the Early Christians on Sunday morning for the Enrichment Hour. I put out the coffee and tea service and clean the kitchen in the basement. My mother, Onis Goodin, came to this church until her death at 93 years old. I joined her every Sunday, and decided to continue coming after her death. This is a wonderful group of people who help people in so many ways -- the Thrift Store lunches and dinner, ROOTS, etc, etc.

I am proud to be a member of this church.

~ Alan Goodin

Singing in the choir is one way we can fulfill the pledge we made when we joined UTUMC. Contributing to a positive, awesome worship experience for ourselves and all who worship with us has been my joy. Besides supporting the artistic masterpiece that the late, famous architect John Graham designed, and the “temple saints” of the 1920’s lovingly built and paid for, our “community of saints” are charged with preserving their legacy while we search for and find the God of our past, present and future in music, word and deed.

~ Rowena Wedemeyer

An historic building can be costly to maintain, particularly if repairs or upgrades have been postponed. Our Sanctuary building is worthy of our investment. It has been a source of spiritual inspiration for nearly a century. A work of art and showcase of craftsmanship, it has been enjoyed by the community in numerous capacities. Many see its beauty as a spiritual path to God and its architecture as a longing for God.

PLEASE CONSIDER PLEDGING IN ORDER TO:

- Repair and repaint water damage to plaster in the Sanctuary arches.
- Repair and restore the Tower.
- Make repairs to plumbing, electric, and appliances.
- Improve interior security.
- Grow, serve, give.