

October 25, 2021

*“Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.”  
--Colossians 3:14*

Dear SPUMC Family:

“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.” This is the first verse of the hymn *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* that we have sung several times in worship this month in celebrating the ties that bind us to the Sun Prairie United Methodist Church.

Each week in October, we have heard from people within our church and community about their relationship and ties that connect them to SPUMC. On All-Saints’ Day, October 31, we will hear from Terry and Pete Twedell and their long-time connection to our faith community. It will be a wonderful day to celebrate our commitments for 2022.

One of the ties that have connected so many to SPUMC over the last couple of years during the pandemic, is our online and televised worship services. It has been a joyful blessing to have returned to in-person worship, but to continue our online and televised services has allowed many more people to worship God, grow in their faith and their relationship to SPUMC.

Earlier this month, you received our 2022 Narrative Budget which tells the story of our ministry together and what our offerings go to support. Now, we ask you to prayerfully consider your pledge commitment for 2022. A pledge is a promise between you and God and a tie that binds you to SPUMC. Commitments of any amount make a difference and your investment helps us continue being the body of Christ in Sun Prairie and beyond.

Enclosed you will find resources for guiding you in your faithful giving for 2022. Please bring your pledge commitment card to worship on October 31 or return it to the church office. You may also go to our church website at [sunprairieumc.org](http://sunprairieumc.org) and make your pledge electronically.

If you have never made a pledge commitment, we have a \$5,000 matching gift for the new pledges we receive. It would be a blessing to match this gift in full! Also, if you are not set up to give electronically, you can do that by returning the EFT form, which is enclosed for your convenience.

Thank you for being part of the ties that bind us together as the Sun Prairie United Methodist Church!

Rev. Jenny Arneson  
Pastor

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