

Simsbury United Methodist Church

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Dear Members and Friends of SUMC.

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Greetings and salutations to all and may the love of God touch you daily, guiding your thoughts, words and deeds. We have much to celebrate as the holidays approach and a new year beckons.

With the coming new year, it's time to start thinking about how our prayers, presence, gifts and service will energize our hopes and dreams for what SUMC can be in the coming year. Our annual Stewardship Drive lays the foundation for all that we hope to accomplish as we carry God's love within ourselves, throughout our community and across the globe.

We are asking now that you join us in jump starting the dream through your pledge of support. In 2017, your faith commitment has helped our congregation to explore and deepen its commitment to faith-based living, built bridges of tolerance and understanding in our community and touched lives all across the globe. Whether near or far, we show the world that the strength of God's love is greater than the strength we can manage together or alone.

Your pledge helps SUMC continue to support a community of like-minded Sisters and Brothers in Christ who cherish the great blessing we have in our faith and understand our responsibility to lead a troubled world through troubled times with our patience, love and compassion.

Please join the Stewardship Committee in supporting SUMC by confirming your pledge for 2018 by **November 22, 2017**. Your early action will help us to better understand the magnitude of our gifts and to prepare to steward those gifts in the coming year. If possible, we ask that you consider increasing your previous pledge. Pledges can be made through the use of the attached pledge card, by calling the church office at 860-651-3356 x-11 for Michelle, or by email to finance@simsburyumc.org. All pledges are kept confidential.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the church office or me directly at 860-305-1107. I am happy to serve by helping you understand the power we can generate through our prayers, presence, gifts and service.

Peter Gailey Stewardship Chair