



Christ United Methodist Church

Living Christ's ways and exploding in love and service.

Winter 2011

Dear Fellow Christ Church Members and
Friends of Christ United Methodist Church

Some Fuel for Thought...

During our 60th Anniversary Celebration, we announced the receipt of a Matching Gift to kick off a Capital Campaign to raise funds for new boilers. This was the spring board for our Capital Fund Drive which includes painting and renovations in the Office Wing, the Café, Crafts hall, and particularly the Sanctuary. Our total Budget is \$150,000.

The Matching Gift for the boilers was designed to raise \$80,000 to install new, modern, high efficiency boilers—thus saving on our Annual Budget for utilities. Gas and electricity are our largest non-personnel budget items. The gift of these new boilers will truly be a lasting legacy as the utility cost savings come in year after year.

Things have been moving along slowly and quietly.

Now, it's time for more *Fuel for Thought*. We have the \$40,000 cash in the bank from our Matching Gift Donor. We have some pledges. This cash in the bank can be put to work as soon as we match that \$40,000 with pledges. Of great importance, we have come to understand that National Fuel Gas is now offering rebates for the purchase and installation of new boilers; you may have recently seen the National Fuel ads on T.V. For CUMC, that is as much as \$7,500 on the systems we are currently considering. But we need to hit that Matching Gift amount of \$40,000 to move forward and make sure our systems are installed before National Fuel discontinues the rebates.

For your prayerful consideration we have a Capital Fund pledge card. Funds in excess of the matching grant will go toward the remaining Capital Improvement projects.

Thank you from your Board of Trustees.

Karen Hoffmann
Gene Kremzier
Tom Nye

Greg Ramsey
Marion Rowlands
Chris Sciolino

Scott Smith
Tom Weaver

You will find the pledge card on the next page.



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New Boiler Pledge Card January 2012-December 2013

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

I pledge over the next 2 years to give \$_____ for the replacement of Christ Church's Boilers. I will give:

- A one time gift of: \$ _____
- A weekly gift of \$ _____
- A monthly gift of \$ _____
- An annual installment of \$ _____

I understand that my pledge is to be paid in full by December 31, 2013.