



**The United Church of Christ:
God's continuing testament in the
world, extravagant welcome, and
transformed lives.**



Is Your Church 5 for 5?

Congregations that give to Our Church's Wider Mission Basic Support and each of the four Special Mission Offerings are five for five congregations!

UCC Basic Support Provides funding from congregations for Conference and the national ministries of the United Church of Christ (Wider Church Ministries, Local Church Ministries, Justice and Witness Ministries, General Ministries, and Pension Boards).

One Great Hour of Sharing Fourth Sunday of Lent Channels resources for international programs in health, education and agricultural development, emergency relief, refugee ministries, and both international and domestic disaster response, administered by Wider Church Ministries, Global Sharing of Resources.

Strengthen the Church Pentecost Sunday Grows the UCC's future by funding The Stillspeaking Ministry, new and renewing churches, youth and young adult ministries, and lay and pastoral leadership formation-especially among women and people of color. These ministries are carried out by your church's Conference, Local Church Ministries, and The Stillspeaking Ministry.

Neighbors in Need First Sunday of October Supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States, including the Council of American Indian Ministries (CAIM), justice and advocacy, and direct service projects supported by Justice and Witness Ministries.

The Christmas Fund Sunday before Christmas Helps provide pension and health premium supplementation to low-income retired church workers, emergency assistance to clergy families in need, and Christmas checks to hundreds of annuitants, as administered by the Pension Boards.

Together we are changing lives!

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**Changing Lives:
That's Our Church's
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Because we believe God's continuing testament in the world,



we . . .

- take stands for justice and peace
- proclaim God is Still Speaking
- communicate the UCC message
- help local churches call pastors
- gather for General Synod
- vision and plan the future of UCC mission
- teach best practices for pastors and congregations
- nurture formation of those discerning a call to ministry

Because we believe in extravagant welcome,



we . . .

- preach a welcoming and open understanding of Christian faith
- respond to disasters and human tragedies
- feed the hungry
- send help around the world
- reach out to our newest neighbors
- nurture ecumenical and interfaith relationships
- care for our retired UCC clergy and spouses
- foster healthy and vital congregations

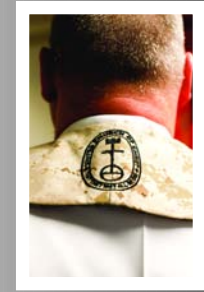
Because we believe in transforming lives,



we . . .

- raise our children in faith
- equip leaders for children's and youth ministries
- foster beauty in worship
- support clergy in their ministries
- provide financing for new church starts and church buildings
- provide administrative services to the church

Our Church's Wider Mission
2011 National Mission Spending Plan



	National Basic Support	Special Support	Total
Executive Council*	\$785,500	0	\$785,500
Office of General Ministries	\$1,962,711	0	\$1,962,711
Justice and Witness Ministries	\$1,146,177	\$790,000	\$1,936,177
Local Church Ministries	\$1,870,208	\$305,891	\$2,176,099
Wider Church Ministries	\$1,286,936	\$3,000,000	\$4,286,936
Pension Boards	\$448,468	\$1,700,000	\$2,148,468
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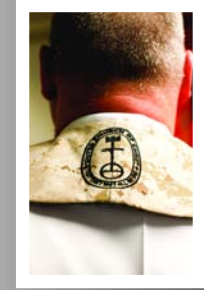
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- FOSTER HEALTHY AND VITAL CONGREGATIONS

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