





## Dear Unity Member and Friend,

The many ministries carried out by our loving God, through Unity staff and volunteers, reach far beyond our own congregation. We're thankful for the many gifts He has provided Unity through members like you so that we can continue to press on to accomplish our vision, *Serving God and Loving All*.

How Unity is reacting now to COVID-19, with the temporary abatement of Sunday worship services and group activities, is prudent and in cooperation with a larger community effort to help curtail the spread. Keep in mind this **IS** temporary and there will come a day when we'll be able to resume normal activity at Unity. Even as we speak, with heightened planning and preparation, our Food Pantry continues to serve the local community.

Unity has put into place ways that members can still communicate on vital activities, using email, Facebook, our website, conducting meetings via conference calls, etc. Moreover, Pastor Dennis and our staff continue to be available to us to respond to the immediate needs of our congregation.

In the meantime, we'd like to sincerely thank you for your continued financial support to keep our operations and ministries ongoing. We're making a special appeal to you now to continue your regular giving. For example, instead of a Sunday basket passing, envelopes instead can be mailed to Unity's office. Please also see the attached Giving Options, which include on line giving options.

Here's why regular ongoing giving is so vital.

The following is a snapshot of our average monthly operating needs and our cash flow shortfall:

Average monthly operating expenses: \$33,781

Average monthly giving and other income: \$29,562

Average monthly cash flow shortfall \$(4,219)

This cash flow shortfall is being met through a monthly withdrawal from our Cash Reserve Fund. If we deplete this Fund, difficult choices regarding Unity's operations and assets will need to be made. Though we made progress in 2019 towards addressing the cash flow shortfalls due to your generous giving combined with deliberate expense cuts, our work continues to be cut out for us in 2020.

It would be wonderful to not have to skip a beat when it comes time to resume normal ministry and mission activities with sufficient funding. With your prayerful consideration and generous support, we can achieve this.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Luke 12:34)

With Blessings,

Stewardship and Finance Teams

Attachments: List of Giving Options