

Meeting the Moment Together

A Canvass Message from Your Board President

Over the years, one of the greatest privileges I've experienced in this Fellowship has been sitting down with members during Canvass—sometimes in living rooms, sometimes at kitchen tables, sometimes over a simple cup of coffee.

What I discovered very quickly is that Canvass is not really about numbers.

It is about **people**.

It is about **listening**.

And it is about **relationships**.

During those conversations, I learned what matters most to each of you—what brings you here, what keeps you engaged, and what gives meaning to your connection with this Fellowship. Some shared their hopes for our Religious Exploration programs. Others spoke about social action, music, worship, or the simple comfort of knowing this community exists in a world that needs it.

Each conversation revealed something important:

Every voice matters. Every story matters. Every commitment matters.

And when those individual hopes are woven together, they create the living fabric of our Fellowship.

More Than a Financial Commitment

In Unitarian Universalism, we are unique in that we are not bound by a fixed creed. Instead, we covenant with one another—choosing to walk together in shared purpose and shared responsibility.

In many ways, our Canvass becomes a **living expression of that covenant**.

It is how we:

- **Honor our mission**
- **Live out our principles**
- **Sustain the ministries and programs that serve our community**
- **Care for the sacred spaces entrusted to us**
- **Ensure this Fellowship remains strong for generations to come**

A pledge is more than a financial number—it is a statement of belief in what we are building together.

Your Unique Role Matters

Each member of this Fellowship contributes in different ways, and every form of support strengthens our shared work.

As you consider your pledge this year, think about:

- **What this Fellowship means to you**
- **How it supports your values and relationships**
- **Where your gifts—financial, practical, or personal—can make a difference**

Your contribution may include:

- **Financial Support** – sustaining programs, staff, and facilities
- **Time and Service** – volunteering, teaching, maintaining, welcoming
- **Talents and Skills** – leadership, creativity, compassion, organization
- **Presence and Participation** – showing up, engaging, and supporting others

Every contribution—large or small—helps sustain the life of this Fellowship.

Meeting the Moment—Together

We often speak of “**meeting the moment.**”

For our Fellowship, meeting the moment means:

- Responding to today’s challenges with courage
- Sustaining the mission we share
- Supporting one another in meaningful ways
- Building a future rooted in hope and responsibility

Together, we meet the moment—by giving what we can, serving where we are needed, and strengthening the Fellowship we share.

Thank You

Thank you for being part of this community.

Thank you for your generosity—of heart, of time, and of resources.

And thank you for helping ensure that our Fellowship continues to grow, serve, and thrive.

Together, we honor our past, sustain our present, and build our future.