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## Pledge Form

(for church year July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022)



*Please complete this form. Making an annual pledge to CVUU is considered a condition of membership with voting rights. The information is used to prepare a spending budget for the next church year. Additionally, the front office uses the information to update the phone/contact directory. All information collected will be safeguarded.*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address(s): Primary \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary \_\_\_\_\_

I / We commit to contribute: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for this church year.

I / We have calculated my "fair share" on the back of this form and am pledging in the following category:

\_\_\_\_\_ Supporter \_\_\_\_\_ Sustainer \_\_\_\_\_ Visionary \_\_\_\_\_ Transformer

I / We intend to contribute: \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly \_\_\_\_\_ Annual  
(Single payment)

*Note: For your convenience, you can set up automatic payments online. If you are interested in auto-draft payments from your bank or credit union, please contact the CVUU office for details or visit CVUU's website. For cash payments, please use an envelope provided in the pews and print your name clearly on the envelope.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal circumstances prevent me / us from making a financial commitment currently. I intend to contact the minister or church president regarding a pledge waiver.

To preserve our UU values for future generations, I/we:

\_\_\_\_\_ have included CVUU in my/our will(s).

\_\_\_\_\_ plan to include CVUU in my/our will(s).

\_\_\_\_\_ plan to include CVUU in my/our will(s), please have someone contact me about how to include CVUU in my estate plan.

Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you for your support!***

## *The Suggested Fair-Share Contribution Guide*

**Using the Guide is a simple, 3-step process; giving is a function of commitment and resources.**

1. Most of us budget our financial commitments on a monthly basis and the guide is organized accordingly, but you may calculate on any time frame that works for you. For convenience, the guide shows monthly and corresponding annual income levels. Determine your monthly income or resource level. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. ADD to your income level any unusual or periodic income, such as inheritances, business income, anticipated investment income, etc. SUBTRACT any unusual expenses, such as large medical expenses, care of a parent, or a large financial expense (such as your capital campaign contributions), etc. Result: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **This is your Adjusted Monthly Income.**

Each of us will have our own unique circumstances to consider in making this calculation. The flexibility to include meaningful and unusual exceptions in your financial life (income and expenses) is what makes the Guide fair and useful. This is a tool for you to use in the spirit of the Congregationalist tradition; we are individually and collectively responsible for resourcing our movement and our congregations. This is an honor system; only you know your circumstances.

3. From the Adjusted Monthly Income column, move to the right to find a suggested giving level that you are ready to support, between 2% and 10%, depending on adjusted income and level of commitment. Interpolate between guide levels if needed.

In making your decision, consider the four commitment levels below and how they relate to your membership. Consider your UU values in thinking about your income and your financial commitment to the congregation, as expressed in the four levels below. Note that within each commitment level, **the guide is progressive**, with giving levels rising with capacity.

- **Supporter:** The congregation is a significant part of my spiritual and intellectual life that I want to support. My fair share financial commitment starts at 2% of my income and rises to 6% as my income and capacity rise.
- **Sustainer:** The congregation is my central community; I am committed to sustaining the programs and ministries of my congregation. My fair share financial commitment starts at 3% of my income and rises to 7% as my income and capacity rise.
- **Visionary:** My commitment is a clear demonstration of the unique importance of this congregation and of my spiritual principles. My fair share financial commitment starts at 5% of my income and rises to 9% as my income and capacity rise.
- **Transformer:** I am deeply committed to the congregation; my contribution provides fuel for transformation and is part of my spiritual practices in living out my UU Principles. My fair share financial commitment represents 10% of my income.

## **The Suggested Fair Share Contribution Guide**

Adjusted Monthly Income	Approx. Adjusted Annual Income	Supporter 2-6% of Income		Sustainer 3-7% of Income		Visionary 5-9% of Income		Transformer 10% of Income	
		Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge
\$1,000	\$12,000	2%	\$20	3%	\$30	5%	\$50	10%	\$100
\$1,500	\$18,000	2%	\$30	3%	\$45	5%	\$75	10%	\$150
\$2,000	\$25,000	2%	\$40	3%	\$60	5%	\$100	10%	\$200
\$3,000	\$36,000	2%	\$60	3%	\$90	5%	\$150	10%	\$300
\$4,000	\$50,000	3%	\$120	4%	\$160	5%	\$200	10%	\$400
\$6,500	\$80,000	3%	\$195	4%	\$260	6%	\$390	10%	\$650
\$8,500	\$100,000	3%	\$255	5%	\$425	6%	\$510	10%	\$850
\$10,000	\$120,000	3%	\$300	5%	\$500	6%	\$600	10%	\$1,000
\$12,500	\$150,000	4%	\$500	5%	\$625	6%	\$750	10%	\$1,250
\$17,000	\$200,000	4%	\$680	6%	\$1,020	7%	\$1,190	10%	\$1,700
\$25,000	\$300,000	5%	\$1,250	6%	\$1,500	8%	\$2,000	10%	\$2,500
\$40,000	\$500,000	6%	\$2,400	7%	\$2,800	9%	\$3,600	10%	\$4,000

**Wherever you find the right level, revisit it periodically and reassess whether it's still the right level for you or if you are ready to move to a deeper level of support.**