

# Capital Improvements Campaign

## Different Ways to Give

### **By cash or check.**

Send to Court Street United Methodist Church, 215 N. Court St., Rockford, Il 61103. On check please make out to Court Street United Methodist Church and enter Capital Improvements on Memo line.

### **Giving from your IRA.**

If you are over 70 ½ and have a traditional Individual Retirement Account, you'll soon be taking the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from that account. If you don't need all your distribution for your living expenses, consider making a gift from your IRA directly to Court Street United Methodist Church as a Qualified Charitable Distribution. Check with your tax professional to set up this tax beneficial strategy. The IRS allows you to give any amount up to \$100,000 of that RMD to charity tax free.

### **Make it automatic.**

Little things add up. Set up an automatic payment from your checking account using Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to the Court Street United Methodist church. Contact the church office to set up this option. Choose an amount that you can pay easily and treat it like a bill – but a happy one.

### **Give appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds.**

If you've held shares of stock for over a year, consider gifting the shares to charity instead of giving a cash donation. You don't have to pay taxes on capital gains when you donate stock. Ask your tax professional or financial advisor how to accomplish this tax-advantaged giving strategy.

### **By credit or debit card.**

Visit our website at [www.csumc.org/giving](http://www.csumc.org/giving). Please select Capital Improvements as the fund type. This can be setup for single or multiple payments.

### **Get the family involved in giving to the Capital Improvement Campaign.**

Ask your family members who have had an association with Court Street now or in the past to give to the campaign. Show them the campaign flyer you received or call the church office with name and address and the complete campaign flyer will be mailed to them.

### **Name Court Street United Methodist Church as a beneficiary.**

If you cannot give money now or would like to provide more to Court Street United Methodist Church, name it a beneficiary on your life insurance policy, IRA, and in your will. Give when you are sure you don't need the money anymore!

### **Want to talk to someone about this campaign or other giving options?**

Every Sunday from April 16<sup>th</sup> through May 14<sup>th</sup> a spokesperson will be in the church narthex after church to meet with you and discuss any questions or giving options. If you would like to talk with someone on the phone, call Gene Ferry, Campaign Chairman at 815-520-9643.