



The Chatham United Methodist Church

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Stewardship 2020 Open Wide Our Hands in Sharing

Christ has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world. Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which He is to bless His people.

– St. Teresa of Avila

Dear Faith Community of Chatham United Methodist Church,

This prayer of St. Teresa of Avila has long been a favorite of mine, perhaps in part because it speaks to the humanness of Christ and the tangible ways we can do good and show compassion for others. The Theme of our 2020 Stewardship Campaign is ***Open Wide Our Hands in Sharing***. Stewardship is not only about giving financially; more broadly, it's about caring.

In recent months we've displayed photos in the sanctuary and Rodda hall that illustrate some of the ways we extend our hands in sharing – repairing homes, feeding the hungry, welcoming new members, and sending flood buckets to devastated areas of our country. It has been your hands that have opened wide in sharing the love of Christ.

Stewardship gifts and pledges provide the funds that allow Christian ministry to happen. Through your generosity we can be loving Christians, responding with open hands to our local community and beyond.

We invite you to prayerfully reflect on the importance of CUMC to you, your family, and our wider community of neighbors. Please consider pledging to fund our ministry. Some have pledged already, and we thank you for your gift. You can pledge online at www.chathamumc.com, use the app, *UMCgo*, put your pledge card in the offering plate, or call the church office at 973-635-7740 by pledge Sunday, November 10.

Thank you for being the faith-filled, generous people at CUMC.

Faithfully,

Ronald Yarger, Co-Chair
The Stewardship Committee

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