

April 1, 2016



Dear UCC Pastors of New Hampshire,

We are wrapping up a dynamic and pivotal year in campus ministries in New Hampshire. The United Campus Ministry to Keene State College closed its doors in December of 2015, primarily due to lack of funding. We mourn its loss, but continue our work with commitment and faith that God is still speaking to us and through us. **We need your help to continue this important work!** The final NHCUCC-sponsored special offering of this academic year benefiting the United Campus Ministries of Plymouth State University and the University of New Hampshire is scheduled for **May 15, 2016**. Please encourage your congregation to participate in and give generously to the **Commit to Caring on Campus** offering.

Please find attached a bulletin insert for the May 15th offering. The two-sided insert showcases highlights from both of our ministries. **We encourage you to include this insert in your May 15th bulletin and the bulletins for the weeks leading up to it.**

For these free-will offerings, we ask that your church community dedicate both its cash collection and any designated checks to the work of community building and faith formation on college campuses. **If you wish to support one of our ministries specifically, you can send your check directly to it. If you want your contribution divided between both our ministries, please send one check for all funds raised to the NHCUCC with a memo either on the check or in a cover letter indicating: For Campus Ministries.**

We'd also like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to all the congregations that currently support one or both of our campus ministries, have done so in the past and will do so in the future!

We so appreciate the many ways the United Church of Christ supports the work we do, which is why we are very pleased to announce that Campus Ministry is now a mission group within the Christian Formation Ministry. Look for great things to come out of this renewed partnership!

If you have any questions or concerns about our upcoming special offering, please don't hesitate to contact Rev. Gary Schulte or one of us directly. If you need help formatting the attached insert for use in your bulletin or if your congregation opts to hold its campus ministry offering on an alternate date, email or call Amy Robison (contact info below) for help tailoring the file to fit your needs.

In Christ's Love,

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