

**First United Methodist Church**  
**PALMETTO**

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Greetings In The Name Of Christ,

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We have an aging air conditioning/boiler system that controls the temperature in the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. The Trustees are working diligently to provide the best, most efficient new system for the church. They have hired TLC, an engineering firm, to oversee this project, to use the least invasive approach to installation, and to work with the air service provider that we will select from our upcoming bids.

The plan is to install this system early next year, with early to mid-February as our target date. This will be an expensive undertaking. The Trustees have received some preliminary bids, and will finalize their decision as quickly as possible. Their criteria will include choosing the most efficient, and cost effective solution for First U.M.C. of Palmetto.

With all this in mind, the Finance Committee has put back \$40,000.00 towards the replacement of the HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) system. The Finance committee also believes that they can raise another \$40,000.00 in addition to what has already been put back.

The estimated costs of this installation for both the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall could be as much as \$180,000.00. That leaves of course, \$100,000.00 in unfunded costs for this system installation. We need the help of the congregation to reach that goal.

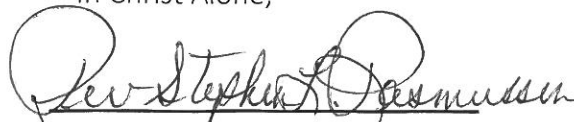
We have set November 13, 2016 as our Capital Funds Campaign Sunday. We are informing you of this date in advance, so that you will have the opportunity to prayerfully consider how you can help First U.M.C. of Palmetto to reach our goal of \$100,000.00. We are only asking for pledges, or estimates of giving, to be made on November 13.


Those pledges/estimates, can be turned in by December 31, 2016, and then claimed on your 2016 taxes, or turned in by January 31, 2017, if you would prefer to claim them on your 2017 taxes.

The pledges for this HVAC System will need to be above and beyond your estimates of giving for the 2016 and 2017 general budget pledges, since this is an unforeseen additional expense.

Thank you so much for your prayerful consideration. We believe we can reach our goal by January 31, 2017.

In Christ Alone,

  
Rev. Stephen L. Rasmussen

  
David Pearson  
Finance Committee Chair