

## PARTICIPATION NEEDED - FORMING A SEARCH AND CALL TEAM

Volunteers are needed as we form a Search and Call Team. The first initiative is to update our Church Profile. As a reminder, Pastor Jim will serve as our Designated Term Interim for the next twelve months, with the possibility of becoming our settled minister. An active Search and Call Team will play an important role in securing a settled minister. Please contact Church Council at [fcc.committees@gmail.com](mailto:fcc.committees@gmail.com) if you are interested.



## CONSIDER FINANCIAL GIFTS TO THE CHURCH FROM RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS, MUTUAL FUNDS, STOCKS, & BONDS ... IT'S A WIN-WIN!

Our church recently set up a brokerage account which will allow the church to more easily accept financial gifts. We invite you to consider taking advantage by making pledge payments and/or one-time gifts through accounts such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and retirement funds. As you know, First Congregational Church is non-profit and tax exempt, so a financial gift transferred directly to the church is tax free. It's a win-win for both you and the church! Please consult your tax professional for guidance. If you have questions or interest in initiating a transfer, contact Phil Stepanski, Treasurer, [phil@portucc.org](mailto:phil@portucc.org).



## RAISERIGHT GIFT CARD FUNDRAISING PROGRAM



Help raise money for our church! Jennifer Dimmer and Rhonda Thompson, our church RaiseRight Coordinators, will be placing an order on Sunday, March 9. Gift cards will be available at the church for pick up starting Sunday, March 23. Complete the **paper form** and write out a check to the church. If you are interested in getting started with the program, please reach out to the church office.



## MISSION TRIP SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY



As you may know, seven high schoolers from our church will be going on a Mission Trip to Brooklyn, New York this July with Pilgrim UCC in Grafton. To help offset the costs of the trip, the coordinators have planned a Sponsorship Fundraiser. As a trip sponsor, you will receive

updates and pictures before anyone else. For a \$25 sponsorship, you will receive a wrap-up email with photos at the end of the trip. For a \$50 or more sponsorship, you will receive a nightly email with updates and pictures during the trip! Please **click here** for the flyer and **click here** for the registration form. Money raised will go to the general trip fund. When it asks for youth name on the form, you can put FCC. Checks can be mailed directly to Pilgrim UCC (1621 2nd Avenue, Grafton, WI 53024) with "mission trip sponsorship" noted. Email our church if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration of support!