



UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rooted. Giving. Growing.

2016 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

*"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving."
~ Colossians 2:6-7*

Stewardship Moment - Kaarin Huffman
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I've been reflecting on the theme of the 2016 Stewardship Campaign - Rooted, Giving, Growing - and what it means in my own life.

When Cam and I decided to get married 6 years ago (best decision of my life), we knew that our family life would be rooted in our faith in God. And we knew that we wanted to have an active church life for ourselves and for our children.

We had some decisions to make - my and my daughter's home church was Holy Trinity Lutheran in Raleigh, near and dear to the three of us. UPC was Cam and his children's home church. During that time, Cam and I began attending adult Sunday School at UPC - the Connections Class, where we watched interesting movies and discussed what we thought. In all of that talking, I got hooked on the class and the people. When we factored in all of the programs available here to our children - the amazing music program, the children's Sunday School offerings, PYC and service missions - it became clear that UPC would become our family's home church.

Getting involved at UPC has been so rewarding. Our faith has deepened through participating in Sunday School and worship, serving on committees and teaching Sunday School, and being involved in service and outreach. 3 of our children have recently gone through the confirmation process and the care and support from their mentors has meant so much to them on their own faith journeys. We're thankful for all of the relationships that have developed through our membership at UPC.

Cam and I have found that the more we give of ourselves in time, spirit and funds, the more connected we become to UPC, to other people and to God. I'm thankful for the work of this church around the world, the incredible staff, and all that is accomplished in our service together.