

## A Note from Pastor Moss

Family,

For more than 50 years, the ministry of Trinity UCC has been on the leading edge of service and social justice. From our bold proclamation in 1971, of being a congregation that is **“Unashamedly Black and Unapologetically Christian,”** to our early solidarity with the people of South Africa—one of the first churches demanding an end to Apartheid—from our establishing a Head Start and early Childhood Education program, and building Senior Housing to support our seasoned saints, to over \$3,600,000 in scholarships awarded to students of all ages, Trinity UCC has sought to live out Christ’s call to love our neighbors.



And now, as we forge ahead to new vistas of service, as a congregation, a new challenge stands before us.

We broke ground on our current church home in 1984, with construction beginning in 1990. We moved into this facility in 1994, and now, our more than 20-year-old building is in need of improvements.

*When Nehemiah heard the walls and the gates were in disrepair, he went into a state of prayer and fasting. The people gathered together, they had a mind to work and they rebuilt the walls and the gates for future generations.*

God has called us to “repair the walls” and renew the structure of Trinity.

The document you hold has been developed to provide you with key information on Trinity UCC’s Raise the Roof Campaign, our \$5 million capital campaign to rebuild our failing infrastructure. And not just rebuild it, but replace it with cutting edge technology, consistent with our theology. These upgrades will include a variety of energy efficient solutions, resulting in a 20% reduction in energy costs, and the centerpiece will be the installation of a Green roof (details of which are on the following pages).

Please take your time familiarizing yourself with the information. Then, with prayerful consideration, complete the included Raise the Roof pledge card. Our pledges, gifts to Trinity UCC above and beyond our tithes and offerings, will make Trinity green and vibrant for future generations.

Asking you to imagine . . . a refurbished Trinity for the next generation of ministry,

Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III