



Rise in common cause.
The world we want to live in
needs every winged bird.

— Marg Walker

October 1, 2017

Dear Friend,

It can be hard to admit, but sometimes I feel all alone. I tell myself, I should make it on my own. I treasure my independence.

Then I see the bees coming and going from their hives. And a flock of starlings filling the sky in that marvelous movement that leaves no bird behind. And I think to myself, this is the interdependent web of life that I belong in. This is the woven world of relationship I want to live in.

It is a world I glimpse now and then; a world I believe in and will work to build, even and especially when so much in these times seems to be unraveling. This is the world I go to church to name and claim – and to let it claim me.

I tell you this because you too are part of it. And if you too sometimes feel alone, I want you to know, we belong together.

Hope to see you at church soon.

Your fellow Unity Church member

This is the first of a series of three heart to heart messages written by consulting literary minister Karen Hering and inspired by the congregation's own words collected during the pledge drive last fall. The haiku at the top is by Unity Church member Marg Walker.

This fall's pledge drive at Unity Church is titled, "The World We Want to Live in." As you consider your pledges of support, we ask you to recall how our shared community at Unity Church has connected you in relationship and movement with a larger flock of others and with hope itself. If you have already made a pledge for 2018, your pledge will be indicated on your pledge card so that you can affirm or revise it. If you have come upon good fortune and would like to increase your pledge, we would be grateful.