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## What does Heart & Soul mean to the life of the church?

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First Congregational UCC-Alpena gives us all a sense of belonging to our church family and a shared vision of God's word and deeds. We should rejoice in the good deeds accomplished by our church over these many years. I hope we all see the need to give willingly and generously as we are able. I believe "Heart & Soul" in my church family.

*What inspires you to give of your time, talent & gifts?*

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