

# WHO WE ARE

The Middlebury Congregational Church was founded in 1796, 11 years before Middlebury was incorporated as a town and just 8 years after Connecticut became a state.

For 230 years, we have carried out a shared ministry of faith, service, and community.

While our history is long, our commitments are firmly rooted in the present. We are an open and affirming community, grounded in welcome, compassion, and service.

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



# WE INVITE YOU TO BE PART OF WHAT COMES NEXT

- Prayerfully consider a gift to the campaign
- Stay tuned for campaign events
- Reach out if you have any questions

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*Make the work of  
our hands last  
Psalm 90:17*

# FOUNDATIONS



# BUILDING FOR THE THIRD CENTURY

MIDDLEBURY CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH

# WHAT IS FOUNDATIONS FOR OUR FUTURE?

Foundations for Our Future is not about a single project. It brings together essential capital improvements and vision-centered investments.

It includes the care and maintenance of our historic meetinghouse and facilities, along with updates that improve safety, accessibility, energy efficiency, and welcome.

But this campaign is about more than buildings. Building for our Third Century reflects our deeper purpose—serving God, nurturing one another, and extending care beyond our walls. Through our ministries and partnerships, we offer support, compassion, and connection to those within our church and throughout the wider community.

# WHAT IS OUR GOAL?

Our goal is to raise \$350,000.00 over a 3-year period. This money is for both current needs and for future capital expenses.

# MOST PRESSING CAPITAL NEEDS

- \$110K New roof for entire church building
- \$56K Repave church parking lot
- \$26K Repaint steeple
- \$8K repair church sidewalks

# WHY RAISE MONEY NOW?

*What do we want this church to be for those who come after us?*

The overall financial health of our church is sound. At the same time, we face the ongoing responsibility of caring for our buildings, grounds, and properties through necessary capital improvements and investments that extend beyond our regular budget.

Addressing these needs now allows us to act with intention rather than urgency, to plan thoughtfully rather than react to unexpected challenges, and to preserve the strength and stability of our church for the future.

This is not simply about maintaining structures. It is about sustaining the space where our shared life of faith continues to grow, and ensuring that it remains strong and welcoming for generations to come.

