



## The Protestant Chapel Community at the University of Rochester.

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The Rev. Todd Goddard  
Zion West Walworth United Methodist Church  
3960 West Walworth Road  
Town of Walworth, NY

Dear Todd:

On behalf of the Student Steering Committee and the congregation of the Protestant Chapel Community, I want to offer our delighted thanks at the incredibly generous gift of 40 hymnals from your congregation. We are just thrilled to have them, and we're touched by this wonderful gift from your church.

As Blair may have shared with you, a large percentage of the students involved in PCC are United Methodist, and of course most of them grew up in congregations that had the hymnal that you've just given us, rather than the old one from 1964 that is the only Methodist hymnal that PCC had on its shelves. Blair and the other UM students have often searched in vain in our old hymnals for their favorite hymns, and have bemoaned the fact that many of them were not to be found. I know that all of those students are going to be grinning big grins when they get back to campus and find that PCC now has their beloved hymnal!

PCC is, as you know, a group made up of students from all different backgrounds and church affiliations, and one of the things the students really enjoy is hearing about each other's faith and worship traditions, and learning hymns that they haven't heard before. Having these new UM hymnals to add to our UCC and (ancient!) Presbyterian hymnals will greatly expand our repertoire, and enable us to learn and share music that hasn't been available to us before this.

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I hope that some time you and some members of your congregation will be able to join us for worship on a Sunday at 5:00 p.m., so that we can thank you in person, and so that you can meet some of these wonderful young adults. Please let me know if there's a Sunday this winter or spring that would lend itself to that.

In the meantime, many, many thanks to you and your congregation – and especially to Blair, who saw a need, was determined to address it, took action, and produced a wonderful gift that will grace this Chapel for many years to come.

Peace and blessings,

Laurie Tiberi