

## ISSUE ONE-PAGER: HEALTHCARE

### The UCC on Healthcare:

- For more than thirty-five years the General Synod of the United Church of Christ has advocated for healthcare as a right and a priority for all people, including a resolution at General Synod 29 that supported the establishment of universal health care access that covers everyone, presents no financial barriers and offers a wide range of comprehensive benefits and access to health providers.
- The Christian scriptures and tradition understand that addressing the general welfare of the nation includes giving particular attention to people experiencing poverty or sickness. For their sake and for the common good, we must continue to make progress toward a U.S. healthcare system that is inclusive, equitable, affordable, accountable, and accessible for all.
- As part of that work the UCC is advocating for a broad approach to addressing the health disparities in the U.S. There are short term fixes that need to be enacted immediately to address COVID-19, and there is the long-term visioning work, of rebuilding an equitable system in which everyone has access to quality, affordable care and healthcare is viewed as a basic human right.

### How We Have Taken Action:

Protect Medicaid Access for Vulnerable Populations

We Can't Wait Another Second for Paid Sick Leave!



### Questions for your candidates

Ask candidates in state, local, and federal elections about their health care plans. Ask what they will do for your community to make sure everyone has access to quality, affordable healthcare. Here are some suggestions:

- Do you support Medicare for All?
- COVID-19 has made it abundantly clear our medical system is woefully inadequate, how can we take immediate steps to make sure everyone can be tested and treated at no cost?
- What plans do you have to shore up healthcare so everyone, regardless of ability to pay, has access to inclusive, affordable, accessible, and accountable health care?