

Community Dialogue Meeting



Sunday, February 9th at 12:30 p.m. In Person and via Zoom



Vision

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Mission

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Meeting Agenda

- Chaplain Holding Sacred Space: Tee Elam
- Zoom host: Teresa Accomando
- Welcome: Rev. Sherrie Quander
- Pray In: Kalahn Taylor-Clark
- Appreciation and Gratitude: Millicent Eubanks
- Financial Update: Bowman Kell
- Leadership Development: Gail Hughes
- Get Involved: Sue Carrillo
- Wrap up and Pray Out (1:30 pm)





Appreciation and Gratitude



Financial Update: Looking back

- CPAs Financial Review was positive
- □ 2024: Surplus of approximately \$15,000
- Three sources beyond Love Offerings:
 - One-time extraordinary income
 - Fundraising events
 - Short-term rentals



Looking to Thrive in '25

- Board has withdrawn proposed Bylaws amendment
- Engaged and insightful Finance Committee
- 2025: planning for a small surplus
 - Emphasizing diverse fundraising efforts
 - Replenishing our capital reserves
 - Show me the money



Leadership Development

Member Arc

Welcome Journey	My Community (belonging)	Participating Volunteer	Steward Member
• Arrival	 Connections 	Getting involved	Sense of ownership
 Checking community 	• Belonging	 Engaging, joining in 	Steward mindset
out	 Choosing Unity of 	Finding my place	Committed member
	Fairfax (U of F)		

Leader Arc

Project / Event	Ministry	Board Trustee for	Additional
Leader	Leader	Unity of Fairfax	Paths
 Taking accountability for a defined period Managing on behalf of U of F to create a specific outcome 	 Leading a ministry team over time Creating / sustaining an integral component of U of F services and systems Joining leadership team 	 As a trustee member of the Board and along with the Senior Minister, elected and committed to lead the 'Business of U of F' in accordance with the Bylaws Ethical & fiduciary accountability Leadership oversight for all policies, activities, and processes 	 Licensed Unity Teacher (LUT) Unity Ministerial Candidate

Leadership Development

Welcome	My Community (belonging)	Participating	Steward
Journey		Volunteer	Member
 Who am I? Who am I in this group? Is this a place where I (and partner and family) will be accepted? Can I find support here? How comfortable do I feel here? How safe? 	 Who am I with you (this community)? Can we exchange ideas respectfully? Have I been seen? (acknowledged?) Do I belong here? Will I be seen and valued? Are there various ways of participating in the community? Are there connections here that I want to make? Do I resonate with the energy and values here? 	 How do I want to contribute? Where might I make a difference here? Is there an easy way to do that? What interests me? What is meaningful to me? What attracts me? Am I receiving greater value from volunteering than what I have to put forth (my cost)? Are my talents and ideas welcomed and acknowledged? 	deepen and live into my spiritual path?

Leadership Development

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	Leader		Leader		Unity of Fairfax		Paths
•	What skills can I learn	•	Who am I as a leader	•	Who am I to be a	•	What is Spirit saying to
	here that will apply and		within this context and		Trustee/ Board Member?		me?
	be useful to me in my		organization?	•	Will I be accepted as a	•	How can I grow further
	work and life?	•	What are the leadership		Trustee?		or differently in this
•	How can I take this		norms and	•	Who is on the Board		calling?
	responsibility on with my		expectations?		now? Are they a good	•	What options are there?
	other accountabilities?	•	Who will train me for this		team? Will I fit in?	•	Licensed Unity Teacher
•	How much of my time		role?	•	What is expected of me		(LUT)
	will this take? How can I	١•	How will I be supported?		as a Trustee?	•	Ordained Unity Minister
	contain / limit it?	•	What has been done in	•	Will I be supported to be	•	What skills, knowledge
•	Who will train me on how		the past? Who has been		successful in this role?		and abilities are needed?
	to get things done here?		leading this team?		(orientation, training,	•	What are the
•	Who are the decision-	•	What team members are		joining)		expectations to qualify
	makers? Who needs to		still participating?	•	What is the relationship		and what is expected
	be consulted, included,	•	What would success and		between the Board, the		over time?
	involved? Who led it in		failure look like?		Senior Minister and the	•	Who? me?
	the past?	•	How will this impact my		Voting Membership?	•	Can I really do this?
•	What is the project		relationship with the	•	What liability or risks		
	/event being		church?		exist for a Trustee?		
	undertaken? Scope?						
	Success Criteria?						

Get Involved

- Many opportunities to volunteer
- Opportunities include Auction (need more team members), Ministry Miles, Board Nominating Committee, Social Justice team (conversation 2/23), Community service, we are a great neighbor, Bookstore, Youth Ministry, Earth Care, many more
- □ Come see Sue to get connected



Questions and Dialogue



Thank you for joining us today and for your engagement at Unity of Fairfax! 2025 Board of Trustees

Role	Name		
First Chair:	Sherrie Quander		
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