



Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County

Ministerial Search Committee Questionnaire

Hello UUCTC Member!

This is an exciting time for UUCTC. We are beginning the process of securing a new settled minister for our congregation. The next step is to name the ministerial search committee. It is important that this committee represent the broad diversity that is the UUCTC. Towards that end it is very important to get input from as many members of the church community as possible. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts.

You can also submit your thoughts online, a copy of this questionnaire can be found on our website at <https://tinyurl.com/UUCTC> .

1. What is your favorite thing about church right now?

2. Do you have any concerns about the church you would like to share?

3. Please share the names of three congregational members you feel would be a good fit to serve on the minister search committee. {See below for more information about the ministerial search committee}. In brief, we want to compose the search committee in a way that all the different facets of the church are represented. All minister search committee members agree to accept the responsibility of securing an important part the congregation's future. To help guide your thoughts, a copy of our current membership list can be found on our website at <https://bit.ly/UUCTClist>) You can nominate yourself!

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A board member will follow up with you by phone unless you indicate that you do not want to be contacted. We want to make sure we capture as much counsel as possible to guide our journey ahead.

~UUCTC Board

The entire search process is outline in the UUA Settlement Handbook that can be found here:
https://www.uua.org/sites/live-new.uua.org/files/settlement_handbook.pdf

The Ministerial Search Committee, from the Settlement Handbook:

Selecting a Search Committee

The search committee should:

- Represent the entire congregation.
- Be trusted by the congregation.
- Be in touch with the changing nature of the congregation.
- Be responsible for a good process for itself, the congregation, and Unitarian Universalism.

Selecting a Search Committee is the work of both the leadership and the entire congregation. Thile congregational by-laws may indicate a procedure, and while congregations ultimately have the ability to make their own decisions, ministers are more likely to be interested in serving a congregation where the Search Committee is representative, trusted, in touch, and responsible to the entire congregation.

The Search Committee is responsible for putting together the materials that will describe the congregation to ministers seeking a settled position. Committee members review the application packages of minister candidates and aid in introducing them to the congregation. It requires a substantial time commitment but is extremely rewarding.

Please mail this to:

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