



Together on the Journey

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Minister

In case you have not yet heard, this past month we announced that our Director Lifespan Religious Education Patti Withers will be retiring at the end of June of this year. Patti has been a professional Religious Educator for over 20 years and is ready to enjoy some well-deserved rest and relaxation with her husband and family. It has been an incredible honor for me to work with Patti over these past 6 years here at BAUUC and I will truly miss her presence, her talented leadership, and her enthusiasm for serving our children, youth and adults.

I am now in the process of working to find a new Director of Lifespan Religious Education for our church and am working with a DLRE Search Team which has been appointed by our Board of Directors. I am confident that we will find the perfect person to come and lead our Religious Education ministries into the future. Part of this hiring process has involved putting together what is known as a "DLRE Search Packet." "This is a large document which not only describes the duties, expectations and compensation for this position, but also offers potential candidates an overview of the many ways we are learning and growing in spirit together here at BAUUC. A copy of this document is now posted on our church website at www.bauuc.org, I invite you to check it out.

In assembling this packet, I have been struck by just what an active and engaged group of people we truly are. We are a curious bunch and seem to always be finding new ways to explore our lives, our spirituality and our relationships with the world. This yearning to learn takes form not only in our many discussion classes and programs, but also in our participation in public witness events like the "March for Our Lives" and our interfaith service work with Family Promise. In April, we will begin a new Sunday night film series about some of the hidden stories in American history and will be leaning more about mental health advocacy on April 17 and 29. I look forward to engaging in all this with you.

Each Sunday, as we say our Covenant together, we affirm that we are here to "seek knowledge in freedom." I believe that it is this "seeking" that brings our spirituality to life and I am thrilled to witness all the ways we are doing just here at BAUUC.

Blessings!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce".

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