



Committee and Team Directory

Last updated May 28, 2020. Currently any meetings are either on hold or online. No meetings at UCV site.

Committee	Team	Description	Status	Contact Person(s)
Arts	Arts/Arts Display Committee	To stimulate visual forms of creative expression that reflect the congregation's principles and purposes. Meets the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:30am in Lindsey-Priestley.	open to new members	Caede Pungente: pungente_1@hotmail.com Chris Pearce: ppearce@shaw.ca
Board	Board of Trustees		elected yearly	Diane Brown, President president@vancouverunitarians.ca
Board	Nominating Committee	The committee recommends to the congregation a slate of qualified nominees to serve, or compete to serve, in board roles that become vacant at the next AGM. It is open to members and is approved by the board. Currently serving board members may not be on the nominating committee except a Past President as chair.	open to new members approved by board	John Boyle john.boyle@shaw.ca
Board	Interim Ministry	To prepare for and select an interim minister	closed	Leslie Hill lesliehill49@gmail.com
Board	Human Resources Committee	To advise on and develop HR policies & procedures of UCV in accordance with UCV's Mission/Vision, UCV UCV Principles, and the BC Employment Standards Act. Meets quarterly at UCV.	open to new members with HR experience	TBA
Board Task Force	Financial Sustainability Task Force	To coordinate investigation of financial options to sustain UCV.		Keith Wilkinson: keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com
Board Task Force	Property Development	This committee was established in 2016 by the UCV board to explore the merits of redeveloping part of the church campus for non-market, rental housing, contributing to the financial sustainability of the church into the future and responding to a social need. A business plan is in preparation to prepare a recommendation to the board, and ultimately to the members as to whether or not to proceed.		Michael Clague michael@clagueconsultants.com Gordon Gram: gordongram@me.com
Board Task Force	"What Shall We Call Ourselves?"	To consider a name change from "Unitarian Church of Vancouver" to a new name (TBD). Two Forums and a survey will take place prior to a vote at a general meeting in 2020.	on hiatus	TBA
Buildings & Grounds	Audio-Visual Team (Subcommittee of Buildings & Grounds Committee)	To manage the sound system within the sanctuary and the foyer and to ensure the congregation can participate in the worship service. Meets as needed.	open to new volunteers	Galen Elfert: guelfert@gmail.com
Buildings & Grounds	Buildings	To ensure that UCV buildings and grounds are maintained at a standard to protect and enhance their value, to maximize their utility for the congregation and the broader community. Meets on the Second Monday every other month in the Family room at 6pm.	at capacity	Buildings – Dianne Crosbie: dscrosbie@uniserve.com

Buildings & Grounds	Grounds	To ensure that UCV buildings and grounds are maintained at a standard to protect and enhance their value, to maximize their utility for the congregation and the broader community. Meets on the Second Monday every other month in the Family room at 6pm.	at capacity	Patti Turner: pgaeturner@gmail.com
Buildings & Grounds	Memorial Gardens & Benches Advisory Group	To Implement the UCV Memorial Garden Policy and Protocols (2009). Meets as needed.	open to new members	<u>Catherine Stewart:</u> <u>stewartcm@shaw.ca</u>
Communications		To oversee a consistent, appropriate, and proactive UCV communications strategy. Meets quarterly or as needed.	open to new members	Marie Witt communications@vancouverunitarians.ca
Communications	Sign sub-committee (sign at 49th Avenue and Oak Street)	To occasionally change the inscription on the third line to reflect the interest or activity at the Church, or to inform of some upcoming event. Meets as necessary.	open to new members	<u>Ursula Litzcke:</u> <u>litzcke@telus.net</u>
Communications	Web Support Team	To administer the congregation's website and social media accounts, and support members and ctes. in accessing and contributing to UCV online resources. Meets as needed. Open to people with web expertise.	open to people with web expertise	Galen Elfert guelfert@gmail.com
Earth Spirit	Earth Spirit Council	To coordinate activities related to our Sixth Source (earth-centred spirituality). Council Planning Meetings when needed.	Open to new members	Mairy Beam: <u>earthspiritucv@gmail.com</u>
Environment	Environment Committee	To educate and involve members and the public on environmental issues and current initiatives and to green UCV buildings. Meets on 3rd Sundays from 12:30 - 2pm in Biddle.	open to all who are interested	Mary Lage: <u>mlage4444@gmail.com</u> Tamiko Suzuki: <u>tamiko.l.suzuki@gmail.com</u>
Environment	Zero-Waste Team	Meets primarily on slack. organizes activities like mending, recycling, occasional forum.	open to new members	Mary Bennett, zerowasteuc@gmail.com
Environment	Wild Salmon Team	The Wild Salmon Team is a sub-group of the Environment Team. The focus of their work is to help ensure wild salmon can thrive through advocating for the removal of open net fish farms along the BC coast.	open to new members	John Boyle: john.boyle@shaw.ca
Finance	Budget Committee	To draft a church operating budget for the period 1 July – 31 June annually for the board and membership to review, amend as necessary, and approve. Meets on a flexible schedule.	open to new members at discretion of Treasurer	<u>Keith Wilkinson</u> <u>keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com</u>
Finance	Canvass Committee	To coordinate the annual April Canvass when members/ friends are invited to sign a Pledge Card with the amount of their planned financial contribution for the next year. Various meeting times and places.	open to new members	<u>Keith Wilkinson:</u> <u>keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com</u>
Finance	Finance Committee	To provide overall counsel, support and coordination for the financial work of UCV including canvassing, fundraising, budgeting, accounting, investing and financial reporting. Meets on a flexible schedule.	open to new members at discretion of Treasurer	John Taylor: johtaylor@shaw.ca
Finance	Investments Committee	To oversee the investments of UCV assets and endowment funds in accordance with policy set by the Congregation and Board. Meets as needed.	presently closed to new members	<u>John Taylor:</u> <u>johtaylor@shaw.ca</u>

Finance	Koerner Fund Committee	To administer the Robert Koerner Fund. Meets as needed.	generally closed. expressions of interest welcome	<u>Bob Woodham:</u> <u>woodham@cs.ubc.ca</u>
Finance	Legacy Planning Committee (Formerly Planned Giving Committee)	To promote planned giving at UCV by providing information & consultation to members and adherents about options for leaving legacies.	Open to new members	Keith Wilkinson: keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com Steven Epperson: rev@vancouverunitarians.ca
Lay Chaplaincy	Lay Chaplaincy Committee	To provide orientation & support for the Lay Chaplains who lead 'Rites of Passage' ceremonies for the general public: weddings, memorial services, funerals, etc. Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month, 9:15 am.	Open to one new member	<u>Katherine Roback:</u> <u>katherinekrobac@gmail.com</u>
Library	Library Services Committee	To oversee the operation of the library, the literature stall and the book sales. Meets the first Monday of the month at 2 pm.	open to new members	<u>David Buchanan:</u> <u>davidfbuchanan@gmail.com</u>
Membership	Connect & Engage Team	To provide avenues for new members to find opportunities in the UCV community to meet their own needs through connecting with others. Neighbourhood groups; covenant groups book groups; mens and womens' groups etc.	seeking zoom hosts and facilitators	Mary Bennett ucvconnect@gmail.com
Membership	Greeters – Sunday Foyer	To ensure that members and visitors are welcomed and made aware of UCV facilities and resources as they enter the foyer of the sanctuary for Sunday services.	open to new volunteers	Denise Nereida: ditzah@telus.net Margo Elfert: margoe@gmail.com
Membership	Membership Committee & Working Groups	To attract and welcome newcomers to the community of Vancouver Unitarians and help them integrate into the life of the community. Meets quarterly or as needed.	open to new members	Vacant
Membership	New to UU/ Welcome Table	To welcome individuals & families to UCV and introduce them to UCV programs and the Unitarian community. Meets as needed.	open to new members	<u>Dianne Crosbie:</u> <u>dcrosbie@uniserve.com</u>
Membership	Records Committee	To prepare accurate membership data for the CUC in the Fall and Spring prior to the UCV annual canvass. Meets at least twice a year.	at capacity	<u>Keith Wilkinson:</u> <u>keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com</u>
Membership	Welcome Table – Hewett Centre	To welcome individuals & families to UCV and introduce them to UCV programs and the Unitarian community.	open to new members	<u>Dianne Crosbie:</u> <u>dcrosbie@uniserve.com</u>
Membership	Young Adult Welcoming Project	To enhance the welcome, service to, and integration of young adults (people aged 18-35 inclusive) into the UU movement in Canada.	open to new members	<u>Keith Wilkinson:</u> <u>keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com</u>
Music	Music Staff Management Committee	To coordinate volunteer-led musical activities of UCV. To coordinate long-term planning of musical activities of all kinds in the congregation. Meet twice a year and as needed.	not presently seeking new members	<u>Jane Slemon:</u> <u>jslemon@telus.net</u>
RE Adults	Forum Coordinator	To coordinate Sunday forums among the various groups who book forums.	one-person role	<u>Ben Hechter</u> <u>ben_hechter@yahoo.com</u>
RE Adults	Adult RE	To plan for our twice yearly offerings of religious education programs. Brochures available in August/September and December/January. Meets as needed.	contact UCV office to get involved	<u>Steven Epperson:</u> <u>rev@vancouverunitarians.ca</u>

Refugees	Refugee Committee	To sponsor and resettle refugees, cooperate with other sponsorship groups and individuals and provide expertise, funds, and goods. Meets at 12:30 on the fourth Sunday of the month.	new members are welcome	<u>Julia Myers:</u> <u>jlm Myers2012@gmail.com</u>
Refugees	Thrift Sale	To raise funds for the refugee ctte., to share donated goods with people who need them. To supply goods to our refugee families & other groups who help the needy. It is open after the service until at least 1PM. The thrift table is operated by refugee ctte. members.		<u>Julia Myers:</u> <u>jlm Myers2012@gmail.com</u>
Religious Education	OWL (Our Whole Lives) Program Committee	To oversee the implementation of the OWL curriculum at UCV (in cooperation with the Director of Religious Education). OWL is a progressive, comprehensive, lifespan sexuality education program.		
Religious Education	Children & Youth Committee	To provide advice to the Director of Religious Education on: policy related to the Religious Education Program for children and youth and its implementation. Meets quarterly. Time and place TBD.	open to new members	<u>Jenny Malcolm:</u> <u>jenny@cjmalcolm.com</u>
Religious Education	Safe Congregations Implementation Team	To help ensure a "safe congregation" by protecting the Unitarian community from all forms of abuse, harassment and disruptive behaviour.	inactive	<u>Mairy Beam:</u> <u>mairylesbea@gmail.com</u>
Social Justice	Outreach Opportunities Fund Selection Committee	To support UCV's outreach work in the broader community through the fund. To lead the distribution, priorities, and processes of the funds. Meets as needed.	open to up to 3 new members at large	<u>Melody Mason</u> <u>melkmason@gmail.com</u>
Social Justice	Reconciliation Working Group	To facilitate UCV's work towards a new relationship among Indigenous and non-Indigenous people through Truth, Healing and Reconciliation. Meeting times vary.	open to new members	<u>Lynn Armstrong:</u> <u>lynnbea@gmail.com</u> <u>Tamiko Suzuki:</u> <u>tamiko.l.suzuki@gmail.com</u>
Social Justice	Social Justice Committee	To coordinate education of the congregation on matters of social justice and to promote social action on specific, chosen issues. Meets at 9:30 am on second Sunday in Biddle room.	new members always welcome	<u>Leslie Kemp:</u> <u>lkemp@telus.net</u> <u>Lynn Armstrong:</u> <u>lynnbea@gmail.com</u>
Social Justice	White Poppies Mini Team	To support the annual Nov 11th Vancouver ceremony commemorating civilian victims of war, "Let Peace be their Memorial." We work together with Vancouver Peace Poppies to prepare for this annual event and to promote the sale of White Poppies. Meeting times vary.	open to new members	<u>Nan Gregory:</u> <u>nangregory@shaw.ca</u> <u>Lynn Armstrong:</u> <u>lynnbea@gmail.com</u>
Sunday Support	Flowers – Sunday	To provide and arrange flowers in the sanctuary for the Worship Service. No meetings. Email/phone communication as needed.	at capacity	<u>Chris Pearce:</u> <u>ppearce@shaw.ca</u>
Sunday Support	Lunch Coordinator	UCV committees and groups are invited to host Sunday communal lunches (by donation), as both a service to the congregation and a group fundraiser. 30-day advance booking due to monthly office Lunch Report deadline. 7-day Cancellation Notice due to OOS publication deadline.		<u>Ben Hechter:</u> <u>ben_hechter@yahoo.com</u>
UCV Wide	Care & Concern Committee	To care for members of the community in times of sorrow and joy, in concert with the minister. Neighbourhood leaders meet a few times yearly. The committee is organized mainly into neighbourhood groups.	open to new members	<u>Patti Turner:</u> <u>pgaeturner@gmail.com</u> <u>Connie Wigmore:</u> <u>Cwigmore1@shaw.ca</u>

UCV wide	Committee on Ministry	To strengthen the quality of ministry at UCV. To support the minister and to be a channel between the minister and the congregation, including the Board. Meetings take place ad hoc.	Members are identified by the minister	<u>Muriel Harris:</u> muriel.harris@ubc.ca
UCV wide	Program Coordinating Council	To enhance collaboration and coordination between UCV committees, task forces, and the UCV office. Sets the UCV calendar and grows lay leadership. Meets three times annually (August, December, March).	open to new members	<u>Cindy Cashin:</u> cindy_returns@yahoo.com
UCV wide	Statistics Committee	Collect and summarize data such as attendance at Sunday services, UCV school and financial data to determine trends or to answer specific questions. Meetings held as required.	open to new members	<u>John Smith:</u> geo.john.smith@gmail.com
UU Connections	Partner Church Committee	To establish/maintain a close relationship with Unitarian congregations elsewhere in the world. Since 1990 it has been the Second Unitarian Congregation in Brassó, Romania. Meets 3 – 4 times per year.	open to new members	<u>Alison Pearson:</u> asp2432@gmail.com
UU Connections	Formerly Denominational Affairs Committee	To facilitate connections amongst UU congregations and fellowships regionally, nationally, and internationally and the organizations that represent those congregations including CUC, UUA and ICUU. Meets as needed.	open to new members	<u>Keith Wilkinson:</u> keithwilkinsonconsulting@gmail.com
Worship	Worship Services Committee	To work with our parish minister to enhance and strengthen our Sunday worship services. Meets the 2nd Wed of the month, 7 pm - 9 pm.	open to new members. new members approved by minister	<u>Way Kent:</u> 110395@telus.net