

## **Helen Tinsley-Jones**

When I think of the past three years, I think turbulent change, nothing-you-would-have-ever-imagined or would-have-ever-askedfor kind of change. When I think of communities which have remained sturdy and courageously adaptive in the midst of this, I think of UUCB.

UUCB is a vibrant community, composed of committed and loving individuals, families, and groups, inspired and inspiring ministers, and dedicated, skillful staff. During these recent times, this community has cared for its members, welcomed new members, maintained its fiscal responsibilities, made brave decisions, kept in right relations during difficult dialogues, harnessed technology, adjusted church services and meetings, remained engaged in the wider community and steadfastly worked for social justice as we fight to dismantle white supremacy.

Clearly, being resilient in the face of change is both our challenge and our strength and adapting to the new and unexpected is imperative in fulfilling our mission.

It has been my honor to serve on the Board of Trustees for the past three years. During this time, I've learned a lot and have been moved by the compassionate and thoughtful work of the Board and the rich and dynamic collaboration between the Board, congregation, and staff.

The Board of Trustees will continue to actively engage with the congregation around issues and decisions, including that of Freestone, and to joyously welcome a settled minister.

It is now my honor to once again be a candidate for the Board. I look forward to the opportunity to serve during this extraordinary time of widening our circle and caring for one another and our wider community.

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Kay Fairwell

Many years ago, I realized that my workplace was my community. And I knew that someday I would retire and not have that community. So, I went in search.

I visited a number of churches of the religion I grew up in. I discovered that I would have to ignore too much to find a home there. When I found UUCB I heard the minister say, "We don't tell you what to think, we just ask that you do." I knew that I had found

my home and my community. So, in 1994 I joined UUCB. Almost 30 years ago.

Since that time I have been involved in many church activities. I have served other times on this Board and on the last Ministerial Search Committee. I have participated in Chalice Circles, Family Ministry, Pastoral Associates, the Committee on Ministry, and other activities. As you can see, I have been here during a number of transitions. We are now in another one of those times. We are transitioning from the wonderful interim ministry of Reverend Michelle to a new period of ministry.

I hope to be part of the process in which UUCB continues to widen our circle and be both a sanctuary and a stimulus for changing these divisive times we live in to a time of more inclusiveness, acceptance, and progress.



## **David Rosales**

I'm from Texas and grew up around the NASA community, which sparked my fascination with the beauty of our planet and universe at all scales, from the quantum to the cosmological. I love exploring the latest research as well as science-fiction.

My personal interests include art and music as well as science and engineering. Professionally, I was the founder of a startup and am

currently an executive in a large corporation. I believe my experiences in collaborative decision processes, listening to stakeholders, and managing change could be helpful in the Trustee role at UUCB.

I am a member of the People of Color Caucus (PoCC), and a new member of the Lawrence Lecture Committee. I was a founding member of the "broadcaster" team which prepared a worship video every Sunday from March 2020 until livestream worship was established in 2022. I'm very proud of the work our worship and broadcast volunteers accomplished for our community.

I believe that people are inherently capable of being thoughtful, kind, and generous. I believe that the hard work of embracing and cultivating diversity (of thought, belief, culture, history, experience, etc.) ultimately brings with it broader understanding, resilience, and adaptability as well as capacity for patience, tolerance, understanding, and change.

I believe in investing in family and youth programs, inclusivity, and accessibility, and I fully support efforts to study and affect changes to fight systemic racism and white supremacy culture such as Widening the Circle of Concern and Working to Overcome White Supremacy.

It would be an honor to serve as a Trustee. Thank you for your consideration.