



Kristen Jensen Bio

UUCB is a thriving, welcoming community and I loved becoming a member in 2020.

There are so many ways to connect at UUCB. I have been involved in Chalice Circles, Parent Discussion Groups and recently, the Welcome Committee. I am proud to part of a community that offers a place for connection and spiritual growth, at a time when the general culture makes it easy to become isolated and materialistic.

Through the difficult times during the pandemic, I was impressed at the creative ways our UUCB community continued to connect through online services, coffee hour and Chalice Circles. Now that we are together in-person again, and with the infusion of energy brought by our new settled minister, the community is growing quickly and it's very exciting! I find peace and joy being part of an organization whose core values are JETPIG (Justice, Equity, Transformation, Pluralism, Interdependence, and Generosity).

It is an honor to be nominated to the UUCB Board. In my day job I am a curriculum developer, project manager and team leader. I believe these analytical and organizational skills will be a support to the mission of the UUCB. Whether as a Board member or in other roles, I look forward to continuing to serve this wonderful community.



Carla McCasland Bio

I am a 'Jewnitarian' and proud co-parent in a queer family. I have been a member since 2018.

My journey with Unitarian Universalism began in my college years, where I led a Passover Seder for the local UU group on campus. Since then, I have deepened my involvement as a Coming of Age and OWL teacher at UUSF, as well as an OWL facilitator and training volunteer at UUCB and UU Oakland.

I feel called to help steward UUCB during a time when women, immigrants, LGBT folks and trans kids are facing heightened threats to their safety, dignity and bodily autonomy. With compassion and dedication, I am committed to ensuring that UUCB remains a sanctuary of resilience, support, and justice for all who seek belonging and protection.

Thank you for your consideration.