

# UNITARIAN CHURCH

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We are people  
of open minds,  
loving hearts,  
and helping hands,  
who show up.

Dear Board Members,

June 6, 2019

Welcome to the 2019-2020 congregational year! In service on the board, you are a part of the core leadership of this congregation. The Board and Minister serve complimentary roles in our congregation, and I welcome your partnership.

Serving on the board can be rewarding, challenging, exciting, boring, full of delight and frustration in equal measure. In the next year we will have meetings when we cannot wait for the end of the agenda, and meetings where we make tangible the mission and vision of this congregation. We also find ourselves in the midst of a time of rapid change both in our congregation and in the world. Unitarian Universalism, and The Unitarian Church of Lincoln, has never been more needed than right now.

Through the next year, it is my hope that you remember that this board work is *holy* work; we serve in the role not as executives, but as people of faith. The work of a governing board is no less the work of the congregation than what happens on Sunday morning.

If you have spiritual disciplines or practices that help to ground you in our shared Unitarian Universalist faith, tend to them in the coming year. And remember that this is work we undertake together, as a community. In the words of Rev. Wayne Arnason:

Take courage friends.  
The way is often hard, the path is never clear,  
and the stakes are very high.  
Take courage.  
For deep down, there is another truth:  
you are not alone.

I look forward to working with you this year,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Oscar Sinclair".

Rev. Oscar Sinclair

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