

UCE Chaplain's Report 2019-2020 AGM
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Three years ago, I signed an agreement with UCE to become the unpaid Pastoral Care Chaplain for the church, since my retirement after 10 years of service, as Unitarian Chaplain with the Interfaith Chaplains Association at the University of Alberta. This is in addition to over 25 years I have served UCE as volunteer chaplain in both former and present churches.

My service to the members of UCE includes home, hospital and senior's residence visits, as well as pastoral counselling, ongoing support for several members through long term situations, memorial service planning, and grieving support. I have also served as an accompanier for those requiring pastoral presence at medical consultations. I have also maintained online and telephone contact with certain persons. My date-book from November 21, 2019 to Friday March 29, 2020 includes 49 contacts by phone, online, and in person. I also maintain the Heart to Heart column in the monthly newsletter of UCE, and try to be present for visitors and members at Sunday church services.

Recommendation to the board. That the next minister hired by UCE have a clear mandate in their contract to provide pastoral care to our members and that the minister be regularly accountable to the board in this regard.

"Our mission is love, our race is humanity, our faith is in each other"
Rev. Audrey Brooks.