

# Ministry Collaboration Team

## Agenda

May 13, 2026, 2026

MS Library at UUCV 6:30-8pm

**Invited:** Natalie Hutchison Duff (staff, infrastructure), Allison King (staff, worship), Betty Montgomery (community rep), Grace Teigen (UUCV led social justice rep), Rev. Kathryn Bert (convener and worship rep), Sarah Coleman-Payne (community rep), Ian Terrell (community rep), Ashley Pope (staff, learning rep) **Potential New Members:** Karla Juárez, Judith Elliott, Laura Via

**Email:** to reach the entire MCT, email [teamwork@uucvan.org](mailto:teamwork@uucvan.org)

▶ **Discussed** [Draft Job Description for Members of the MCT](#) and will continue to review document in June

▶ **Approved Covenant for the MCT** (with the understanding that we can always edit and improve it):

- Make space/take space-help one another do the thing that's harder;
- Help facilitator close the moment to decide the action to be taken - Covenantal (We promise) to ask what was heard and to summarize the next steps
- Promise to leave with one another, not leave someone alone in the parking lot
- Please prioritize the meetings and if you're unable to attend, let the facilitator know.
- Say ouch and oops when appropriate
- Laugh together

▶ **Postponed approval of Guidelines for June**

- 90-10 rule, 90% of discussion on topic
- Practice GETMO - good enough then move on
- Include TFC - touchy feely crap (check-in) and laughter
- when adding an item to the agenda, include your name/initials
- specify if the item is for 'info' or 'decision'
- Instead of old/new business, categorize by **decision, discussion, information**
- ability to table something for a future meeting
- add "clarifier" to meeting roles? ("What did we decide about this item?")
  - task an individual?
  - highlight by color?
  - notetaker can tag what we've agreed to
  - discussion/decision/info would already be in agenda

▶ **Approved revision of [Operational Rule 5230](#) to go to the Board in May**

▶ **Discussed Change for the World** and decided to create a suggestion box to help Marvin with ideas, and to look at the money we brought in at the end of the fiscal year to see if we notice giving trends

▶ **Discussed [MCT Annual Report](#)** which Kathryn will finish and turn in

▶ **Rejected offer a September concert** by Bobby Jo Valentine at his fee, but let him know we'd be interested in it at our regular 70%-30% split.

### **Calendar -**

May 31	1st Sunday of summer worship schedule/ Volunteer Thank you lunch
June 7	Outdoor decor - bird feeders and houses on Sunday after worship
June 13	Ordination of Jennifer Springsteen at First Unitarian in Portland
June 14	Community Sunday and Congregational meeting Jennifer Springsteen to preach
Jul 19	Field and water day for RE
July 26	Retirement party for Rev. Kathryn after worship
July 31	Rev. Kathryn Retires
August 1	Interim Minister Begins
Aug 15	Tales and Treats all UUCV invited
Aug TBD	Youth clothing SWAP
September 13	Resume Two Worship Schedule

### **Path to Membership Remaining Dates:**

#### **Spring 2026**

(Su)May 17:	Entering Membership w/all	12:30-2:30pm Library
(Su)June 14:	Ingathering	@Community Sunday Service

#### **Reminders:**

Our **website** is only as good as the information we share on it. Here's the [form for requesting changes](#) to the website with information from the groups you represent.

**UUCV Vision & Mission:** Together we cultivate a world that celebrates diversity and champions justice for all beings, grounded in the transforming power of love. We come

together to deepen our spiritual experience, grow beloved community, and act on our values in the wider world.

### **MCT Mission Statement**

—The MCT (Ministry Collaboration Team) will focus on clearly and proactively communicating (in person, phone calls, emails, group drop-ins, articles or videos) the UUCV mission to deepen spiritual experience, grow beloved community and act on our values in the wider world.

—Members of the MCT will advocate for the UUCV mission while facilitating regular communication with all groups affiliated with UUCV, to better serve the congregation as a whole.

—The purpose of each MCT member is to act as a liaison between the church's mission and the needs, interests and concerns of groups, with the ultimate goal to strengthen relationships and community within the church.