

Committees, Ministries, Groups, and Task Forces at SUUC

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Elected Committees

Board of Trustees (BOT)

The Board of Trustees is SUUC's Board of Directors, responsible for church policies and business affairs, appointing committees, and employing paid staff. (Reference: SUUC Bylaws, Article VII)

Role	Name	Position No.	Term Length	Term Expiration
Secretary	Sara Lorimer	1	3	2027
VP	Kjell Anderson	2	3	2027
Member	Ken Ritland	3	3	2028
Member	Krista Tenney	4	3	2028
President	Cal Spangler	5	3	2026
Member	Laura Westbrook	6	3	2026
VP-Finance	Terry Zimmerman	7	3	2026
Minister (Ex-officio)	Rev. Rachel Baker	--	--	--

Congregational Life Committee (CLC)

The Congregational Life Committee submits nominations for the BOT, Endowment Committee, CLC, and Moderator, and Ministerial Search Committee to the BOT when required. (Reference: SUUC Bylaws, Article XI, Section 2a.)

Role	Name	Position No.	Term Length	Term Expiration
Member	Carrie Cameron	1	3	2028
Member	Matt McGee	2	3	May 2026
Member	Susan Storer Clark	3	3	2028
Chair	Sue Leisy	4	3	May 2026
Member	Jet Jones	5	3	2027
Board Liaison	Krista Tenney	-	-	-

Endowment Committee

The Endowment Committee serves as the trustee of SUUC's two endowment funds: the Support and Enhancement Endowment (SEE) Fund, and the Social Responsibility Endowment (SRE) fund. (Reference: SUUC Bylaws, Article X, Section 2.)

Role	Name	Position No.	Term Length	Term Expiration
Chair	Chris Doerksen	1	3	2028
Member	Bob Beekman	2	3	2026
Member	Carolyn Wallace	3	3	2027
Board Liaison	Terry Zimmerman			

Moderator

The moderator presides at all congregational meetings. (Ref: SUUC Bylaws, Article VI, Section 4.)

Role	Name	Term Length	Term Expiration
Moderator	Sarah Dilling	3	December 2026

Board-Appointed Committees

Committee on Ministry (COM)

The Committee on Ministry at SUUC fulfills two crucial roles. The COM (1) advises the Minister in various areas of ministry via continuous review and reflection (a process distinct from the Minister's professional performance evaluation by the Board), and (2) conducts structured assessments of SUUC's ministries and committees to promote their functioning.

Role	Name	Term Length	Term Expiration
Chair	David Metting	3	September 2026
Member	Shannon Scott	3	January 2028
Member	Amie Hardt	3	September 2027
Member	TBD	3	
Ex-officio	Rev. Rachel Baker	--	--
Board Liaison	TBD	--	--

Personnel

Advises and collaborates with the Board on policies and decisions affecting paid staff.

Role	Name
Chair	TBD
Member	Kristina Selset
Member	Sharon Greenman
Member	Susan Storer Clark
Head of Staff	Rev. Rachel Baker
Board Liaison	TBD

Other Committees

The following committees are standing committees with generally good stability, self-directed by volunteers among the members and friends of SUUC. Committees can operate very differently from one another. Many of them have regular meeting times, and some have no meetings.

Aesthetics

Responsible for sanctuary aesthetics during Sunday worship services.

Role	Name
Chair	Krista Tenney
Member	Peggy Williams Scott
Member	TBD
Member	TBD
Member	TBD
Member	TBD

Building & Grounds

Manages and/or advises the Board on decisions regarding church facilities and grounds.

Role	Name
Point of contact – Buildings	Ken Ritland
Point of contact – Grounds	Laura Westbrook

Finance

Supports the VP-Finance to oversee and advise on decisions regarding church finances.

Role	Name
Chair	Terry Zimmerman
Member	Amanda (Mandy) Ray
Member	Laura Banks
Member	Stephanie Metting
Member	Catherine Crain
Member	Rick Wilson
Member	Denise Kuhlman
SUUC Bookkeeper	Larissa Sheffler

Music

Oversees SUUC's music program, e.g. organizing chancel musicians and selecting hymns.

Role	Name
Co-Chair	Joyce Allison
Co-Chair	Sarah Dilling
Chancel Musician Wrangler	Susan Storer Clark
Member	Carrie Cameron
Member	Wil Sederholm (Choir Director)
Member	Rev. Rachel Baker
Board Liaison	TBD

Rentals

Manages the use of the church property by renters.

Role	Name
Chair	Rick Wilson
Member	Amy Brady
Member	Dana Doerksen
Member	Peggy Dixon
Board Liaison	Sara Lorimer

Seabeck Retreat

Coordinates our annual retreat at the Seabeck Conference Center.

Role	Name
Chair	Renee Palermo
Member	Michelle Martin
Member	Shelley Anderson
Board Liaison	TBD

Stewardship

Interprets the draft budget prepared by the finance committee, and runs the annual pledge drive to enroll prospective, new, and existing members in the ensuing membership year.

Role	Name
Co-chair	Denise Kuhlman
Co-chair	Catherine Crain
Member	Sue Leisy

Tech Team

Supports church functions which use digital A/V technology. For example, they facilitate hybrid (physical/virtual) activities and advise the Board on the acquisition of new equipment.

Role	Name
Team Captain	Sarah Dilling
Board Liaison	Terry Zimmerman
Blue Team: Zoom Chat Host	Sue Leisy
Blue Team: Zoom Chat Host	Krista Tenney
Blue Team: Zoom Chat Host	Jennifer Etwiler
Green Team: Slides & Projection	Ben Tompkins
Green Team: Slides & Projection	Terry Zimmerman
Green Team: Slides & Projection	Rick Motko
Red Team: Audio Video & Switch	Dane Scott
Red Team: Audio Video & Switch	Evan McLain
Red Team: Audio Video & Switch	Sarah Dilling
Red Team: Audio Only	Joe O'Malley
Orange Team: Digital Editor	Jennifer Etwiler

Welcome Team

Connects with visitors, members and friends to promote a positive experience of SUUC. This team also informs decisions which support membership growth and retention.

Role	Name
Chair	Markus Volke
Board Liaison	Laura Westbrook
Zoom Greeter	Jet Jones

Worship Planning

Works with the Minister and other various committees and individual volunteers to coordinate Sunday worship services.

Role	Name	End of Term
Chair	Jennifer Etwiler	January 2026
Secretary	Dan Dilling	
Minister	Rev. Rachel Baker	
Board Liaison	TBD	

Ministries

Adult Religious Exploration (Adult RE)

Role	Name
Point of Contact	TBD

Care Team

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Peggy Dixon
Chair	Judi Kalitzki
Member	Pat Kenney
Member	Robin O'Leary
Board Liaison	TBD

Children's Religious Exploration (Children's RE)

Role	Name
Director of Religious Exploration (DRE)	Chris Pollina

Plate Share

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Sue Leisy

Social Action

Role	Name
Leadership Team Member	TBD
Leadership Team Member	TBD
Leadership Team Member	TBD
Board Liaison	TBD

Chalice Circles

Chalice circles are the make-up of SUUC's small group ministry to encourage spiritual growth. A chalice circle is a group of people who routinely meet to share about their lives and deepen connections with each other outside of Sunday worship.

Role	Name	Meeting Details
Point of Contact	Niya Standish	--
Chalice Circle Host	Karen Thompson	3 rd Monday, 7:30 PM at Marguerite's house, 7 members, all are vaccinated
Chalice Circle Host	Laura Banks	3 rd Wednesday, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM Various topics for meetings, 8 members
<i>Charites</i> Chalice Circle Host	Cheryl Udd	2 nd Tuesday 10:00 AM, 10 members
Chalice Circle Point of Contact	Nir Barnea	2 nd Tuesday 1:00 PM on Zoom, rotate leaders, leader picks topic, uses UU Small Group Ministry, 10 members
Chalice Circle Host	Catherine Crain	1 st Sunday 6:30 PM, 11 members
Chalice Circle Host	Julie Udd and Stephanie Metting	1 st Tuesday 6:30-8:00 PM (Julie) on Zoom 3 rd Sunday 2:30-4:00 PM (Stephanie) on Zoom Focus is practical philosophy, 8 members
Chalice Circle Host	Niya Standish	1 st Wednesday 11:00 AM-12:30 PM in Emerson room, 8 members
Chalice Circle Host	Carolyn Wallace & Cynthia Bagley	3 rd Wednesday 7:00-8:30 PM in Harper room, 7 members

Interest Groups

Interest groups at SUUC center specific shared activities and topics of discussion.

Atheists, Humanists & Agnostics (AHA)

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Darrell Udd

Appreciating Elderhood

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Jerald Forster

Board Game Group

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Nick Supin (Thursday evenings)
Point of Contact	Evan McLain (Sundays after church)

Bridge Group

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Rick Wilson
Point of Contact	Laura Banks

Evening Book Group (Owls of Minerva)

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Bob Beekman

Greensong Pagan Group

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Dana Doerksen

Men's Group

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Markus Volke

Women's Group

Role	Name
Point of Contact	Kelly Thompson

Task Forces

Policies and Procedures Task Force

Regularly reviews SUUC's official policies and procedures, and recommends revisions for approval to the Board of Trustees. NOTE: this task force will be disbanding in late 2025. When policies need to be reviewed or created the BOT will convene a new task force.

Role	Name
Chair	Sharon Greenman
Member	Rev. Rachel Baker
Member	Joe O'Malley
Board Liaison	TBD