Ministerial Intern Report

Thank you to each of you for welcoming me as your Ministerial Intern in August! The internship satisfies the requirement of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) for preparation of ministers. In addition to the internship, this year I have progressed towards the goal of ordination and preliminary fellowship as a Unitarian Universalist Minister by completing a Master's of Divinity at Boston University, attaining Candidate status with the UUA and scheduling a date to visit the Ministerial Fellowship Committee. Since August, I have worked an average of 20 hours per week at the UU Church of Nashua.

Some highlights of activities from my internship in the 2021-22 Church Year:

- Planned and Led 4 Sundays worships
- Co-led worship 3 Sundays each month, co-led 4 Christmas Eve Services
- Officiated a wedding and a memorial service
- Organized interfaith film screening of "Mission: Joy" with Nashua Area Interfaith Council colleague and Buddhist Meditation Group
- Coordinated UU Nashua's Participation in CROP Hunger Walk
- Active in statewide group for LGBTQ+ Legislative Advocacy
- Established UU Nashua's Renewal of Welcoming Team, to enhance support and advocacy for LGBTQ+ community within and beyond the congregation
- Active in Widening Circle of Concern study group and Building Our Vision group
- Coordinated OWL Taking Flight, relationship and sexuality education for grades 7-9
- Attended UU Ministers Association monthly meetings and Spring Retreat

These accomplishments relate to goals set forth in the Learning and Service Agreement to develop competence in the following seven areas: Worship and Rites of Passage, Pastoral Care and Presence, Spiritual Development for Self and Others, Social Justice in the Public Square, Administration, Service to the Larger Unitarian Universalist Faith, Leading the Faith into the Future.

I offer my thanks to the Internship Committee and the entire Staff Team for their support of my ministry with UU Nashua, particularly to Pat Ladew, Internship Committee Chair, and Rev. Allison Palm, Internship Supervisor. Thank you to this congregation for supporting the future of ministry in the UUA by acting as a Teaching Congregation for Ministerial Interns.

During the sabbatical of Rev. Allison Palm from July 2022 through November 2022, I will pause this internship to serve in the position of Sabbatical Minister. I will resume my responsibilities as Ministerial Intern in December 2022 and serve in this position through June 2023.

Respectfully submitted, Caro Barschow, MDiv