

Living Water Association, UCC
Committee on Ministry
Credentialing Working Group Notes
13 February 2020

Present: Pam Beck, David Durkit, Sam Greening, Nayiri Karjian, John King, Jill Hartman
Goodman, Sprite Johnson, Debra Oden

Opening Prayer: David

Robin Stanly – settled (part-time) pastor as authorized Licensed Minister at Hartsgrove Community UCC in Rome OH; **APPROVED** 3rd renewal of 1-year license

Prayer – John King

Membership is a member at Claridan UCC; meets monthly with her mentor (David Durkit); accompanied by Harriet Ingram, member of the Board; full-time attorney; Pastor Bob (finally) retired and hasn't attended for awhile – at least partially because of respecting boundaries, partly due to health issues; Robin asked him to write things for Advent & Lent and he responded well & to sing on a the Sunday near St. Patrick's Day; raising money/capital campaign (\$17,000) to repair basement floor – have almost \$6,000 to date → giving to rummage sales has increased, which enables other outreach to those who reach out with needs; church is center of much activity for the congregation – hoping to expand that to the community → need to increase/reestablish communication/relationships; another attorney in the law office died & Robin received his law practice – and is working on self-care; chair of Lantern Fellowship; good delegator of tasks; a goal will be re-building of bridges with other generations and community; appreciates the use of technology for communication between the settings; personal ministerial goal: to maintain her current status & stay with Hartsgrove UCC

What would be helpful – teaching/learning opportunities – and not during the day; learning opportunities about liturgical symbols and other rituals; practical worship, administrative, and other practices; more use of video in events

Brian Saxe – designated (part-time) authorized Licensed Minister at Bainbridge Community UCC – **APPROVED** 2nd renewal of 1-year license

Prayer – Sam

(Wife is pastor at DOC in Cuyahoga Falls); has M.A in Theology from Xavier; working on alternate path to ordination through NEOSOM as a MID; good boundaries, mindfulness, and congregational support helps keep the time/energy limits; followed a 6-month window without pastoral leadership (formerly full time) including some transitional coaching – helped with their readjustment to part-time pastoral leadership; many of the people with disruptive behaviour have been heard and/or left; transitioning from Jesus group to Missional Church; working with other ONA churches on hosting a Pride event; cleaned out storage to re-claim the spaces for their original uses or for new or outside groups to use; providing good leadership, administration, pastoral care; would like to introduce some theology and practice of spirituality to the congregation; goal is to help the congregation stabilize and even grow; doing pulpit exchange with the community clergy group
How we can support you – be in prayer and partnership

Next Scheduled Meeting – 12 March 2020