

We are so excited you want to be a part of our membership! We hope you find a path that works for you and helps you become a valuable member of our beloved community. To become a member, complete a total of 5 activities, with at least 1 in each category, plus the 3 items below.

<b>Practice Love</b>	<b>Explore Spirituality</b>	<b>Build Community</b>	<b>Promote Justice</b>
Help with coffee hour at least 3 times.	Attend New to UU.	Attend a Membership Lunch and Learn.	Participate in Backpack Buddies.
Serve as a Greeter at least 3 times.	Meet with Reverend Rebecca in person or via zoom.	Join the choir!	Donate food to our Blessing Box.
Help in the church yard with our Eden Keeps on the first Saturday of the month.	Attend at least 5 services.	Attend a Community Group.	Attend a Coffeehouse Concert.
Work with the Caring Committee to offer a ride, deliver a meal, or help a member.	Interview a member of the Unitarian Church in Charleston (names provided). Get to know some members one on one and discuss their theology.	Volunteer with the Docents and learn all about the history of the church.	Sign up for the South Carolina UU Justice Alliance Newsletter.
Volunteer to bring Flowers for a Sunday service.	Attend a Religious Naturalism offering.	Attend a church wide social event.	Attend a trash clean up.
Sign up to bring food to a church event.	Attend Meditation in person or virtually.	Sign up for Dinners for Fun.	Join us on the float for the Emancipation or Pride Parade.
Meet with Danielle to talk about what membership means to you.	Attend a Mindful Morning Program.	Attend a Coffee w/Rev. Rebecca.	Attend a Social Justice Forum.
Invite someone you meet at church to coffee.	Read the UU Pocket Guide.	Bring a friend to church.	Attend a CAJM event.

- Attend a Membership Lunch and Learn to discuss privileges and Responsibilities of Membership.
- Fill out a Pledge Card (required by bylaws)
- Sign the Membership Book (required by bylaws)

## Practice Love

- Help with Coffee Hour at least 3 times (set up & clean up). Every Sunday we offer coffee hour in Gage Hall. We always need help to make it happen. But don't worry, there is someone there to show you the ropes. Sign up in the Gateway.
- Serve as a Greeter at least 3 times. Every Sunday we need smiling faces! You don't need to have all the answers, just a willingness to help others and direct them to someone who can. You will be paired with an experienced greeter.
- Help in the church yard with our Eden Keeps on the first Saturday of the month. The Eden Keepers gather to maintain our lush and beautiful historic churchyard. All are welcome and no gardening experience is required – simply a love of plants and an appreciation of this wonderful green space.
- Work with the caring committee to offer a ride, deliver a meal, or help a member. We have lots of ways you can help members who live near you and need a little boost.
- Volunteer to bring Flowers for a Sunday service. Flowers can be in honor of a special event in your life and it's a great way to feel connected to the service.
- Sign up to bring food to an event. We love to spread love through food! Keep an eye on the Gateway for opportunities to bring food.
- Meet with Danielle to talk about what membership means to you. Danielle loves to meet members for coffee or lunch to learn more about your journey to the Unitarian Church in Charleston.
- Invite someone you meet at church to coffee.

## Explore Spirituality

- Attend New to UU. This event is for anyone wanting to know more about our congregation, Unitarian Universalism and membership.
- Meet with the Minister. Over coffee, in her office, or via zoom, Rev. Rebecca is available to meet with you to discuss Unitarian Universalism.
- Attend at least 5 services. Enjoy the music, readings, sermons and community every Sunday at 11!
- Interview a member of the Unitarian Church in Charleston (names provided). Get to know some members one on one and discuss their theology.
- Attend a Religious Naturalism offering. Religious Naturalism elicits the religious depth of wonder, awe, gratitude, and reverence from Nature herself as understood by science, without resorting to beliefs in the supernatural. The goal of this offering is to reflect on various writings about Religious Naturalism while also sharing personal stories and reflections from participants.
- Read the UU Pocket Guide. We will provide you with a copy as requested.
- Attend a Mindful Mornings program. Awaken your mind, spirit and creativity with our Mindful Mornings program in the hour before church service. Offerings include forums, multigeneration music, book discussions and more.
- Attend Meditation in person or virtually. Participants gather for an hour to practice insight meditation and discuss various aspects of the meditative path and its interplay with our lives. Please note that on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, meditation will be offered at 7:30 on Zoom.

## Build Community

- Attend a membership Lunch and Learn. For those who want to learn more about Membership at the Unitarian Church in Charleston, we will hold a special "Lunch & Learn" in Upper Gage Hall after Church & Coffee Hour.
- Join the choir! Music is a great way to actively participate in our community and worship services and a wonderfully satisfying endeavor. Contact Ryan Pagels at [ryan@charlestonuu.org](mailto:ryan@charlestonuu.org) for more information.
- Attend a Community Circle which include (check the Calendar of Events for more details on each group):
  - Women's Group
  - Men's Group
  - Book Clubs
  - Coffee with Rev. Rebecca
  - Family Circle
- Volunteer with the Docents program and learn all about the rich history of the church.
- Attend a church wide social event. This includes the February Oyster Roast, Spring & Fall Services at the James Island County Park, and other special events throughout the year.
- Sign up for Dinners for Fun! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends and share a meal.
- Attend a coffee with Rev. Rebecca. Once a month, Rev. Rebecca goes to a coffee shop in different parts of town to offer a time of fellowship.
- Bring a friend to church!

## Promote Justice

- Participate in Backpack Buddies. On the third Saturday of the month, join our awesome team to help in the volunteer efforts at The Lowcountry Food Bank.
- Donate food to our Blessing Box. Blessing Boxes are stocked with non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone who finds themselves in need. Items are anonymously donated and anonymously received and available at any time day or night.
- Attend a Coffeehouse Concert. Enjoy live music in good company. Proceeds from the event are donated to Mitchell Elementary School, a Title 1 school in Charleston.
- Sign up for the South Carolina UU Justice Alliance Newsletter.
- Attend a trash clean up throughout the church year.
- Join us on the float for the Emancipation or Pride Parade.
- Attend a Social Justice Forum. The Social Justice team invites different guest speakers in the fall and the spring to speak on various matters that center the voices and authority of people experiencing injustice.
- Attend a CAJM meeting. The Charleston Area Justice Ministry (CAJM) is a growing network of faith-based congregations who are culturally, economically, geographically and religiously diverse. We come together to make the Charleston area a more just place to live.