

Mission: We are a vibrant spiritual community awakening each life to the Christ within.

Vision: Centered in Divine Love, we honor and celebrate a world awakened to peace, abundance, and respect for all creation.



## **Meeting Agenda**

- Welcome Pray In
- Chaplain Holding Sacred Space: Elizabeth Morig
- Appreciation and Gratitude
- Unity of Fairfax Path, Past & Future
  - Brief recap of 2022
  - Where we are going, planning and options
  - Break Free in '23
- Marketing Ministry
- Questions and Dialogue
- Wrap up and Pray Out (1:30 pm)





## Appreciation and Gratitude



## Recap of '22 – A Tale of Two Halves

#### First half

Re-opening delayed to mid-February.

Income gap: love offerings lower, expense reductions.

Spiritual Values "listening campaign" key actions.



## Recap of '22 – A Tale of Two Halves

#### **Second half**

In-person activities increase
Food & fellowship after service

Attendance growth into a both/and hybrid

**Unity Chorus** 

**Shoebox Solutions** 

**Drum circles** 

30 → 60+ in-person average

**Steady 100+ online attendees** 

Nature fellowship – Unity Hiking Club



#### Recap of '22 – A Tale of Two Halves

#### **Second half**

Financial giving grows



New members joining

**Robin Champion** 

**Janet Hylton** 

**Kalahn Taylor-Clark** 

**Rob Chavez** 

Rev. Sherrie Quander

**Carol Bradley** 

**Mary Mass** 

#### **WELCOME!**



## **2023 Planning Process**

- <u>Decision making</u>: Guided by spirit-led discernment and data analysis
- Starting place: Recovery continues, but with a running start

Critical choices: Near term and long term



#### **2023 Planning Process**

• Critical choices: budget highlights

	2023 Budget		2022 Actual	
(Thousands of dollars)				
Income by source				
Love offerings	\$	500	\$	517
Montessori rent	\$	133	\$	128
Fundraising/events	\$	10	\$	3
Rentals	\$	10	\$	9
Other	\$	6	\$	8
To Be Determined	\$	64		
TOTAL INCOME	\$	723	\$	664
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	777	\$	771
OPERATING LOSS	\$	(55)	\$	(107)

#### **Pathways forward**

- Near term new income sources
- Long term continued discernment and due diligence to evaluate partial real estate sale



## 2023 Early Signs – A Breakout Year

- Breaking out new partnerships with the local community:
  - Earth Day celebration with Settle Down Brewery & Greater Oakton Community Association
  - Fall Harvest Day
- Starting 2023 with a flurry of rentals: wedding, choir concert, conference.
- Do YOU want to help implement community-building and income-generating activities?

Email us at Board@unityoffairfax.org



## Let's Break Free in '23 Here's ways You can help

- To build momentum, if you can, support us financially early in the year
- Recurring love offerings: Electronic Funds Transfer & Txt2Give
- Engage in action join us Feb 11<sup>th</sup> for Sacred Service Council

Keep showing up! It's beautiful & builds community



## Marketing Team wants to hear from you!

What do you think about the Weekly Highlights emails that go out on Tuesdays and Thursdays?

What improvements or suggestions do you have?



## Marketing Team wants to hear from you!

We are working on increasing the reach of our YouTube content to attract bigger and more diverse audiences.

What search words or questions would attract more minority demographics to our content and/or our community?



# Questions and Dialogue



# Thank you for joining us today and for your engagement at Unity of Fairfax 2023 Board of Trustees

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