

Membership Committee Annual Report
May 12, 2026

Members : Rev Denis Paul, Val Follet,, Sky Kimball, Chris Ellis, Aline Couture,Patience Peck,Laurie Gokey, Mary Iacobbo and Mary Finnegan, chair

The membership committee welcomed 3 new members in December 2025 and an additional 8 members in April 2026. All new members received roses, printed directories and were outreached by Etta Zasloff to receive Breeze access.

There were two sessions of New to UUCSC classes facilitated by Rev Denis in Oct/Nov 2025 and in March 2026.

Val Follett was instrumental in keeping class folders updated as well as reviewing and updating information packets for newly interested visitors. In addition Val organized the greeter schedule including a new rsvp system.

Mary met with UUCSC clerk Mary Fulton to review membership status, and send letters to members no longer attending and this will continue to be an annual shared *responsibility with Clerk eac fall. Membership team also called or wrote to members who were notably not attending regularly to check on their well being.*

In lieu of a letter , new welcome card visitors were assigned a membership committee member who initiated face to face connections as a way of being more welcoming to new folks. Name tags were made immediately after a yellow card was filled out as well as upon request. Since there were several one time visitors this practice may be reviewed.

On a regular basis the team discussed “ how can we be more welcoming ?” The general consensus was that face to face contact and support of team members to all new folks was our priority. Aline Couture recommended a new role to include new folks to be “Welcomers” by handing out hymnals. This also freed greeters to engage with new folks while acting as greeters. So far we have two welcomers, both of whom have also now joined the committee.

Sky Kimball has been a huge asset to the committee with his detailed minute taking at our meetings .

We lost two committee members this year , Trish Kelly and Aline Couture. We gained two members also , Laurie Gokey and Mary Iacobo.

*All members of the committee are active participants in the many roles related to our responsibilities to support membership at UUCSC!
We have a great team and are excited that we welcomed 11 new members to UUCSC this year!*

Respectfully submitted

Mary Finnegan Chair