



## Thomas Jefferson District Congregational Conversation Results

This fact sheet includes basic information and some of the issues, problems and solutions, which **Thomas Jefferson District** congregations discussed in their congregational conversations.

***Do these results match what you would expect from other congregations in your district? What would you expect to be different?***

### **The Basics**

- Three (3) congregations from the **Thomas Jefferson District** returned report forms.
- All three (3) were **mid-size** congregations.
- They had **paid advisors** who work **3-8 hours/week**.

### **Intergenerational Community Relations**

- One congregation from **TJD** said "**congregational support**" was a driving force of their youth ministry.
- **One (1)** congregation in **Thomas Jefferson District** requires **parental permission** for membership.
- One **TJD** congregation mentioned "**love for their youth**" as a driving factor of their youth ministry.

### **Mission, Vision and Priorities**

- One congregation in the **Thomas Jefferson District** said overall it was "**not taking covenant seriously.**" In response, it decided to use a UUA resource on "covenanting" in order to address this issue.
- One congregation in the **Thomas Jefferson District** decided to have their own **youth survey** as a result of their conversation.

### **Serving the Spiritual Needs of Youth**

A congregation in **Thomas Jefferson District** said that there was not a "linkage between **worship and youth.**" This congregation decided to **encourage youth attendance** at worship and create an opportunity for "youth to **organize** a worship service."