April 2016

Report to the UUA Board of Trustees

Congregational and other visits

January 24 – UU Fellowship of Statesboro (GA) – Speak at Building Dedication

February 21 – UU Church of Savannah (GA) – Preach

February 27-28 – UU Church of Eugene (OR) – Facilitated Governance Workshop for three Boards; Preach

March 6 – First Parish of Lincoln (MA) – Speak at Installation of Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti

March 13 – UU Church of Augusta (GA) – Preach, meet with Board Exec Committee

March 23 – UU Fellowship of Fredericksburg (VA) – Meet with Denise Rimes to plan GA General Session Agenda

- April 2 Ohio-Meadville District Assembly (Akron OH) Speak
- April 3 UU Church of Marblehead (MA) Speak at 300th Anniversary Sermon delivered by Gini Van Courter in my absence due To weather delay
- April 8-9 Joseph Priestly District Assembly (York PA) Speak
- April 10 Mainline Unitarian Church (Devon PA) Preach and speak at Installation of Rev. Neal Jones

Narrative

The board will hear updates about the three initiatives I brought to the board in my October 2015 report: Larry Ladd will provide an update from the APF task force, Susan Ritchie will report from the Renewing the Covenant task force, and Denise Rimes will bring you up to date on the GA Delegate Scholarship initiative.

In other areas participated in:

- Meetings with GAPC, CWS, and staff regarding a justice-themed GA in New Orleans in 2017
- Meetings with various committees, groups, and staff on GA 2016 Agenda items. The Board will be copied on the letter that will go to presenters.
- Meetings with UUJME and various parties on the Business Resolution (BR) on Divestment from Corporations Complicit in the Violation of Palestinian Rights. The Socially Responsible Investing Committee (SRIC) applies human rights screens as well as other screens on equities held by the UUA Common Endowment fund (CEF). As a result, the CEF holds no equities in the firms that the BR directs divestment.
- Meetings with Renewing the Covenant Task Force (RCTF) to develop an approach to introduce the topic and hear feedback at GA Columbus.
- Meetings with Parisa Parsa and Barbara Simonetti, consultants in large-group decision making, to create training materials and develop logistics for RCTF discernment at GA
- Meetings with Marie Fortune, consultant, CSM (Clergy Sexual Misconduct) advisory members, staff, and Vice Moderator to assess web page content for those considering lodging a CSM complaint