

UUCJ BOARD CANDIDATES
Recommended by Leadership Development Council

REBECCA WILCOX (for one year in 2019)

Rebecca joined UUCJ in February 2017 and has been very active. She served on the Green Sanctuary Committee, Hospitality Team, and on the O'Leno staff. She participates in UUCJ events. Before UUCJ, Rebecca joined the UU congregation in Greensboro, NC in 1996 and the Outer Banks church in 2007. Her great grandmother was a Universalist in the 1930's. She has master's degrees in Clinical Psychology and Education. She has worked as a classroom teacher, practiced clinical psychology in varied settings, and now works in the family business that she and husband Doug bought 2 years ago. They live on a farmstead between Black Hammock Island and Oceanway, and have a daughter Josie. The Board appointed Rebecca in March 2018 to fill a vacancy for the third year of a three-year term.

TESSIE BOND (for three-year term 2019-2021)

Tessie began attending UUCJ in 1987 and joined the Church in 1992. She has served as Board Secretary from 2014 to 2017 and as the Board's Parliamentarian. During that same time she chaired the Triennial Survey Task Force, and served as a member of the Committee on Ministry, the Staffing Task Force, and the Vision and Mission Task Force. She was appointed chair of the By-Laws Review Task Force in 2014 and has continued to serve in that capacity. Currently she is the Chair of the Adult Religious Education Committee (AREC), and is a member of the Spiritual Studies Group.

Tessie is married and has three adult children and five grandchildren. She holds degrees and has experience in the areas of education, sociology, and counseling psychology. She fully retired from teaching in 2014, and now splits her "free" time between UUCJ and traveling.

TOM LARSON (for three-year term 2019-2021)

Tom first joined a UU church in Baltimore in 1982. He and his wife Janine Leland joined UUCJ in 1987 after a job transfer. Another job transfer took them to the Chicago area where they were members of the Hobart, IN church from 1999-2004. Tom was UUCJ's President in 1988-89 and has served several years on the Board. He chaired the Strategic Planning Task Force in 2012 and the Staffing Task Force in 2017. Currently he chairs the Finance Committee and serves on the Leadership Development Council. He also served as President of UU churches in Baltimore and Hobart.

Tom holds professional certifications in Engineering, Project Management and Process Improvement. He currently serves on the Board of the Northeast Florida chapter of the Project Management Institute. In 2015 Tom retired from CSX Transportation.