

**Irvine United Congregational Church
WELCOMES YOU !**

- Please take a moment to tell us something about yourself. We'd like to write up a paragraph for our church newsletter so the congregation can get to know you, and we'd like to pass along your name and contact information to groups or ministries in the congregation with which you may share interests.
- Please feel free to add information that we haven't happened to ask!

We'd like to put this information [in the box] into our Members Directory, which will not be released for any non-church use, and definitely will not be used for commercial solicitation.

- *Please initial to show your "OK" for this use of your information:* _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Preferred E-mail: _____

Alternate E-mail: _____

Preferred Telephone: _____

Other Telephone[s]: _____

Spouse or Partner (if applicable): _____

Children (if applicable): _____

Indicate where & when [approximate is okay] you were baptized,
and the church denomination that baptized you: _____

- Not baptized: *Please discuss with Pastor.*

Date of Birth [helps IUCC to know its demographics]: _____ / _____ / _____ /
[month] [day] [year]

Where you were born / raised: _____

Former church affiliation: _____

Occupation: _____

Personal interests / hobbies: _____

Areas of special interest at IUCC (ministry, group, committee, etc.): _____

Other information you would like to share with us: _____

Irvine United Congregational Church Ministries & Committees

Just check to show your interest.

Hospitality. *Provides a personal extension of the congregation to visitors, newcomers, potential members.*

- Become a Visitor Host at Sunday services.
- Volunteer to provide refreshments after a service.
- Become a greeter.
- Assist with Easter breakfast.

Laity. *Provides loving support to the community and church members in time of need.*

- Send cards, notes; make phone calls.
- Assist funeral / memorial service receptions.
- Participate in prayer chain.
- Provide food in time of illness or loss.
- Help provide rides to church.

Mission & Service. *Identifies and informs members of opportunities to promote the values of love, justice and peace. Guides and supports Church activities in service projects from the local to the international level.*

- Participate in a Walk –AIDS walk; CROP walk.
- Assist with food & school supply collections.
- Help sign ups: Project LOVE; Heifer Project.
- Donate to One Great Hour of Sharing.

Outreach. *Educates the community about IUCC's vision & invites the unchurched to join us in that vision.*

- Assist at community events to spread the IUCC word.
- Assist with marketing & advertising IUCC.

Fellowship. *Plans and implements social activities and programs in the church which help members of the church develop stronger relationships with each other and a closer sense of community within the church.*

- Participate in "Bon Vivant" dinners.
- Attend / plan social events, e.g. Game Nights.
- Take part in a small group:
- Help plan / attend the annual Church picnic.
- Attend Women's / Men's Fellowship breakfasts
- Attend / plan church retreats.
- Prayer Shawl ministry (knitting)
- Advocates for Peace & Justice: *work on Just Peace events*
- Reading groups (e.g., *Seekers; book club*) and activities to further *Open & Affirming principles*

Worship. *Prepares the sanctuary for all worship services, including set-up, oversight and clean-up. Makes appropriate assignments for ushers and other helpers required for the smooth flow of services.*

- Become a worship leader or reader.
- Help with set-up or clean-up.
- Assist with audio or video support for services.
- Serve as an usher at Sunday services
- Assist with special worship services.

Congregational Participation. *Aids congregants in discovering their spiritual gifts and talents; assists in matching those talents with volunteer opportunities to further the mission of IUCC.*

- Assist with the newsletter.
- Assist Visitor Information & New Member Classes.
- Help new members become part of IUCC.
- Help develop programs for youth / young adults.

Christian Education Committee. *Helps to plan education programs for all ages: Sunday school classes, youth activities, parenting classes, adult education classes, and intergenerational events.*

- Serve as a Sunday school teacher.
- Attend adult education classes.
- Help to plan / put on educational events.
- Help plan / chaperone youth events.

Music Committee. *Helps to support Chancel Choir activities and to plan special music events.*

- Sing in the choir.
- Assist with receptions following concerts.
- Assist in planning choir concerts.
- Offer other musical / arts talents, performances.

Fund Development Committee. *Coordinates the annual stewardship campaign. Plan & coordinate special offerings and monitor & coordinate fundraising events.*

- Make an annual pledge to IUCC.
- Assist with fundraisers, stewardship drive.

Child Care Committee. *Helps the Child Care Director coordinate the program of the preschool with IUCC.*

- Participate in planning & decision-making for the Child Care Center.

Congregational Leadership.

- Member or Clerk of the Ministries Board.
- Member or Clerk of the Administrative Board.
- Serve as Treasurer.
- Serve as Moderator.
- Serve as Historian.

Upkeep of Buildings & Grounds.

- Work with committee to facilitate upkeep.
- Participate in a work day.