Pastoral Care Team Charter

Purpose
The purpose of the Pastoral Care Team is to provide support, comfort, presence, and compassion to the congregation as requested.

Membership
The Pastoral Care Team consists of at least 6-8 CUUF members or friends. Staff support is provided to the team by the Minister and the Parish Nurse.

Commitment
Membership on the Pastoral Care Team consists of a 1 year commitment and can be renewed annually.

Responsibilities
The Pastoral Care Team:
- Meets monthly to review pastoral care needs in collaboration with the Minister.
- Provides pastoral visits and support to members and friends of the congregation as directed by the Minister, including Lots of Helping Hands.
- Provides support, if needed, at memorial services for members or friends.
- Provides education to the congregation of their activities and availability.
- Offers guidance in developing a budget for the team annually.
- Participates in an annual retreat for training and inspiration.

The Pastoral Care Team will perform these duties in a confidential and respectful manner.

Reporting and Review
- The Pastoral Care Team is part of the Ministry of CUUF.
- The Board of Trustees grants the Pastoral Care Team decision making authority as outlined in the annual budget plan.
- The Team submits a report of activities to the membership at the Annual Congregational Meeting.
- Documentation of pastoral care needs will be managed by the Minister.
- Team activities are reviewed annually by the Governance Committee.