

Pulpit Supply List
Chicago Metropolitan Association
United Church of Christ
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Rev. Dr. Brenda Eatman Aghahowa

15 East 32nd St, front unit, Steger, IL 60475. Cell 708-355-1195; CSU Aug15-Apr 30 773-995-2203 or 2189. I am a member of Trinity UCC but serve informally as an associate pastor at a Pentecostal church in Chicago Heights, Christ for Everyone (CFE) Ministries. I serve communion there on first Sundays, serve as an altar worker each Sunday and handle sick and shut-in visits weekly. I have been ordained 28 years and have five units of CPE. I am not available on first Sundays, as I must handle communion at CFE. I would prefer to travel no more than 30-40 miles but can be flexible. I would like to receive in the range of \$200 per Sunday but this is negotiable. (If the going rate is more than this, I will happily accept it!) I am on summer break from Chicago State University, where I am a tenured professor in the English Department. Thus, this is an especially good time for me to serve. If I am needed after that, feel free to contact me. I would not be available on the worst winter weather days, when meteorologists encourage everyone to stay off the roads.

Rev. Zenobia Brooks

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St. Jude Chaplain for Chicago Police Dept.; employed as a College Advisor for 15 yrs; Ordained May 1988; Member of Trinity UCC Chicago for 27 yrs; Married 33 yrs; Four adult children, five grandchildren; I am a woman of faith and I love the Lord. I am not available on the first Sunday of the month. Presently Certified Spiritual Director.

Rev. Roger Dart

1057 Camille Av, Deerfield, IL 60015; 847-945-6015; 847-274-2626 (Cell);
dart.rc@gmail.com I am the former Associate Pastor for Mission and Outreach at the Congregational Church in Deerfield, and currently serve as Coordinator of Illinois Conference Disaster Task Force. I have experience with, and am available for, single Sundays, or for extended periods such as vacations or sabbatical leaves. \$125 to \$200 with distance not a factor.

Rev. Dr. Shirley Eloby Fleming

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I current have the privilege of serving God's people as the Co-Director of the Center for Faith and Community Health Transformation (www.chicagofaithandhealth.org) . I've been an active member of Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago for 16 years. My call and ministry focuses on working in partnership with the body of Christ to equip and mobilize God's people as informed disciples who seek to emulate the transformative healing ministry of Jesus Christ by addressing personal healing and healing of unjust social structures with love. The transformative tools include prayer, the guidance of the Holy Spirit, prophetic preaching, bible classes, educational forum, workshops, organizing health screenings, local, national and international advocacy. I've also had the privilege of being in the larger church serving as chair of Justice and Witness for 5 years. My preaching experience includes declaring God's word in UCC and Missionary

Baptist churches in Chicago and Wisconsin. I'm an ordained minister seeking to continue answering God's call to serve God's people more holistically after retiring as the First Deputy Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Public Health. I am available to service on consecutive Sundays and during the summers. I believe that people of faith will offer a stipend that is just and loving based on their resources.

Rev. Sandra Florentino

100 Mitchell Road, North Aurora, IL 60542; 312-914-5881 (cell), luvsan862@gmail.com
M.Div seminary graduate and Ordained Minister. Currently retired but served at Advocate UCC as Social Coordinator of Media Communication, Volunteer Chaplain, Consecra Housing Network, and Secretary for the Illinois Conference. Available to serve in Fox Valley Area.

Rev. Donna R. Freeman-Lott

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I have had the blessings of having served in many areas of Ministry. I have been a Hospice chaplain, hospital chaplain, Assoc. Pastor, as well as an Interim Pastor. (please request my Profile from CMA). I am a member of TUCC and I have been ordained since Feb. 19, 1995. At this time, I am seeking to call to serve. May God bless you, as he leads you.

Rev. Dr. Delores V. Johnson

899 S. Plymouth Ct., Unit #700, Chicago, IL 60605, 312-986-1339, 312-371-5384(cell) womenempoweredl@aol.com . I am an ordained minister under the UCC, a member of Trinity UCC in Chicago where I served on several ministries with a deep interest, and a compassion for serving those living in poverty. I conduct presentations and workshops as a professional spiritual life coach. I am the President of Women Empowered (WE), an outreach community organization ministry assisting women and children living in and out of homeless shelters. I am currently serving as a chaplain for the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center in Chicago.

I am seeking a call as a pastor/associate pastor to further serve the people of God and open to serve as a Pulpit Supply Minister as well. I am available on third Sundays as well as during the summer months. In order to respect the church order of worship service, I would prefer to engage in a brief conversation with the church pastor/official staff two weeks prior. My stipend expectation is \$150.00 per Sunday, plus mileage. For presentations/workshops the cost is \$200.00, materials are provided for an additional cost. Half of the proceeds go to Women Empowered to continue to embrace, encourage, and empower others living within our communities.

Rev. Alletta R. Jumper

P.O. Box 43099, Chicago IL 60643-0099, 773-914-0140, 773-238-0144 (fax); lenses2livingministry@gmail.com. Ordained in the Christian Ministry of the United Church of Christ, a member of Trinity UCC, Chicago, and recently founded a non-profit ministry, LENSES2LIVINGMINISTRY. Active on the CMA Church and Ministry Committee. Previously served in the capacity of Coordinator for Volunteers, Bereavement, and Spiritual Care for a license volunteer hospice care program; provided pulpit support for several years, a supply pastor for a UCC congregation, facilitated Bible Study classes, provided workshops on spiritual gifts, and officiated at funeral for

families at several private chapels. Financial expectation for a Sunday service is \$150 plus travel expense no more than 25 miles.

Rev. Jonathan Knight

1031 55th St., Downers Grove IL 60515, 630-297-8394 (H), 630-577-7362(C) jonathanknight1954@gmail.com I have been a UCC minister for almost 38 years, now retired. I most recently served as the Illinois Conference Associate Minister serving the Chicago Metropolitan and Fox Valley Associations and before that as an ACM in the Pennsylvania South Conference. I also served congregations in Illinois, Kansas and Ohio both as Associate and Senior Pastors. I am usually available most Sundays although do take vacations usually in July. I would be available for several consecutive Sundays or sabbatical supply. I preach from the Biblical text, though not always from the lectionary, and seek to relate it to our faith, our lives, our churches and what is happening in our world. Fee can be negotiated, plus mileage.

Rev. William Kyle

2621 E. 74th Place, Chicago 60649. wkylev@netscape.net. Home: 773-473-3027; Cell: 773-910-3482. Global Ministries Mission for 13 years in the Caribbean and Southern Africa as a "church builder." Upon returning homeland I was blessed to continue to grow in ministry as an educational and professional developer for youth (mostly homeless) at The Night Ministry. My most current position was Church/Community Organizer for Developing Communities Project (building "Core Teams" to first, connect church members with themselves then second, connect church members to community members). I am available for several consecutive Sundays or sabbatical supply I am open to supply for congregations are within an hour and a half from my home in Chicago. I am happy to receive a \$150-\$200 stipend. When congregations are more than 20 miles round trip, I prefer \$200. I love the possibilities of Christ's church. God has stretched me and continues to stretch me and my theology, thus as an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ I always look forward to stretching those whom God places within my care, if only for a moment. I can preach from the lectionary or a given theme/season depending upon the congregation's desire.

Rev. David B. McCurdy

263 W. Butterfield Road, Elmhurst, IL 60126; 630-833-3424; dbm1946d@aol.com I am a Healthcare Ethics (clinical & organizational) Consultant with UCC-affiliated Advocate Health Care, and adjunct faculty in the Theology Department at Elmhurst College; ordained in 1972; preach about twice a month in Church of the New Covenant (Elmhurst), of which I am a member; VAS Hospital Chaplain, CA., 15 yrs; available most Sundays when not scheduled with home congregation or current full-time position.

Rev. Robert H. Meyer

3550 N. Lakeshore Drive #2510, Chicago IL 60657 773-779-8428, 262-470-4913 hp1meyer@gmail.com I am a retired UCC pastor and hold standing in the Southeast Association of the Wisconsin Conference. I retired on July 1, 2012. My most recent parish was the Community Church UCC of Fontana, Wisconsin where I served for ten years as pastor. Prior to that I served for twelve years as the pastor of St. John's UCC, Manitowoc, WI, and before that for eight years I was the pastor of the First Congregational UCC in Steger, IL. While a graduate student in the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, I also served as part-time pastor of Ravenswood UCC in

Chicago. I do not own a car present, so I rely on public transportation or for longer distance I must rent a car. I have no other restrictions in terms of my Sunday availability. At Community Church where I last served, the fee for a guest supply pastor was \$150. I would ask for this amount or whatever are the guidelines specified by the Conference and Association.

Rev. Dr. Jorge Morales

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I am retired after serving as Illinois Conference Minister, Associate Conference Minister and Senior Pastor of Congregational Church of Chicago. My ministry experience stretches over fifty years and included church planting, congregational revitalization, community organizing, organizational and leadership development, stewardship and fundraising. I have worked in different racial and cultural communities including Latino, African American, Philippine, and multiracial cultural settings. Well-informed on denominational UCC structures (UC Board, Conferences, Associations, and affiliated/related institutions) and denominational polity.

I can be available on consecutive Sundays. I can also be available for short interim and sabbatical times. I am knowledgeable of Conference, Associations, and the geographical areas of our judicatory and related agencies. I would prefer a stipend but will not turn down an invitation because of the hosting congregation's/entity's inability to pay. Open to speaking to any/all size and age congregations. Willing to serve during sabbatical times and short interims for compensation at present or prior pastor's pay rate.

Can address congregational change/transformation, spiritual discernment, stewardship and discipleship as vital ministries of the church – open to suggested topic, interest of the Local Pastor or Congregation. Also available to work, consult with Congregational Discernment Teams on God's vision for the church – contrasting between current reality and God's preferred future for the congregation.

Rev. Janet P. Moore

911 W 107 St, Chicago 60643; hm: 773-568-4260; wk: 773-962-5062;
sispastorjpm@yahoo.com Currently serving as staff chaplain at Advocate Trinity Hospital. Trinity is a small community hospital serving the multiculturally diverse residents on the far southeastern section of the city. I do drive but would not want to travel more than 20 miles. My expectations of an adequate stipend would be \$75-\$100 minimum. My biographical information will be supplied upon request.

Rev. Dr. Carol Ann Munro

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I was a parish pastor for 19 years, with preaching responsibility. I worked for the Advocate Charitable Foundation doing fundraising for Lutheran General for 3 years. I'm now with the Red Cross doing fundraising. Not available for consecutive Sundays more than 2 or sabbatical supply. Financial expectations: \$100+

Michael Nicolas Okinczyc

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I am the founder and Executive Director of the Coalition of Spiritual and Public Leadership (CSPL) which is a newly formed faith-based community organizing non-profit that is beginning work in the western suburbs of the Chicago metro region. I am also in the process of completing a D.Min. with a concentration in Latina/o Ministry from Fordham University. Prior to this I directed a faith-based community organizing federation of nearly 80 member congregations, community organizations and labor unions in Buffalo and Western New York. I would be willing to travel up to 20-25 miles. I typically ask for a minimum stipend of \$200 per preaching service. I'm both English and Spanish speaking.

Rev. Dr. Ann B. Patton

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In June 1997, I accepted a position as Associate Pastor of Christian Education at Trinity UCC in Chicago under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Jeremiah Wright, Jr. I have been ordained for fifteen years. I retired in 2017. In my doctoral studies I designed a spiritual formation model called "Leading from Within: An African-American Spiritual Formation Empowerment/Training Model for Church Leaders." This model uses the tools of study, reflection, and practice, the cultivation of six spiritual disciplines and several biblical characters' leadership traits to nurture leaders who "lead from within" so they can develop future church leaders who do likewise. This model shapes effective servant leaders and creates transformation and healing within the Body of Christ. Based on my current schedule I will be available one or two Sundays per month. Based on sermon preparation time which will include research I expect to be paid \$150 for a small congregation and \$200 for medium size congregation.

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Randall

123 Harbour Terrace, Elmhurst, IL 60126; 630-530-6009 (O); 630-279-1238; rrandall@stpeterselmhurst.org . Minister of Counseling at St. Peters UCC Elmhurst, IL for 35 years, where I still provide individual marriage, and family counseling & provide workshops for clergy. Around \$200-\$250 per Sunday. I would rather stay close to the Western suburbs. I would consider consecutive and sabbatical supply. I have written seven books dealing with churches and pastors. I've led numerous workshops for UCC pastors and for other denominations. Although not formally trained in Interim work I have served as the Interim pastor here at St. Peter's on two occasions.

Allyson (Ally) Vertigan

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I am a Member in Discernment who completed a year of clinical pastoral education at Rush University Medical Center. While pursuing ordination, endorsement, and board certification as a chaplain, I maintain a relationship with my home church, First United Church of Oak Park. I graduated from Pacific School of Religion in 2016; during my MDiv program, I preached (on average) once per month. I do not have access to a car so I rely on public transportation (CTA and Metra) but am willing to travel to fulfill preaching duties. I am available for consecutive Sunday, sabbatical supply, weekday evening vespers, and other non-traditional worship settings. I appreciate \$150-\$200 per Sunday and am very open to negotiation. I am prepared to choose texts, hymns/music and write liturgy for services in which I am asked to preach. Sermon sample available on request.

Rev. Judith Vicari

18610 Highland Ave., Homewood, IL 60430; 708-991-7219; cell: 708-218-0685
judavic@earthlink.net I graduated from CTS in June 1997 and was ordained at Faith United Protestant Church in March 1999. In my years of full time ministry I served churches in Peotone and Ottawa, IL. While serving as full time pastor the most difficult responsibility (and the one I most favored) was preaching. I generally preach from the lectionary and enjoy sharing the gospel of the day with others. In 2004 I retired from full time ministry and my husband and I now divide our time Illinois and Nevada. I would be **available during the months of June through September** and willing to travel any reasonable distance. I would be available for and especially interested in consecutive Sundays or sabbatical supply. I have no minimum expectation for stipend. I have found that churches are fair and as generous as they are able to be, therefore whatever is customary for the church requesting pulpit supply will be fine.

Minister Renita Ward, Esquire

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Renitaward127@gmail.com. CMA Member in Discernment, Ordained Deacon and 11-year member of Trinity UCC, Chicago. University of Chicago Divinity School Master of Divinity graduate. Licensed attorney employed at insurance company handling malpractice matters, preparing for call and ordination for ministry. I would be available for several Sundays or sabbatical supply for local congregation. \$200 preaching and speaking; negotiable for long term/more frequent assignments. Love Jesus Christ and God's people. Exceptional organization, oral and written communication skills, relationship-building, program development skills. Recently wrote (2) grants securing nearly #40K for area congregations.

Rev. Damita "Penny" Willis

776 Brookwood Drive, Olympia Fields, IL 6046, pwillis365@gmail.com 708-748-2526. Member of Trinity UCC, ordained ten years, served as Christian Education Director at University Church, Associate Pastor, Peoples Church and Metropolitan Community Church. I currently teach in the Center for African Biblical Studies at Trinity UCC. I am available for consecutive Sundays and sabbatical supply. \$100 minimum stipend.