

Unity Church for Creative Living Prayer Chaplain Training Schedule for 2010

Prayer Chaplain Orientation

Sunday, January 3, 2010 or
Sunday, February 14, 2010
(After Sunday Service at UCCL)

Cost

Training Materials: \$50 for the Manual

Prayer Chaplain Training at UCCL

Friday, March 26th at 7 - 9pm
Saturday, March 27th 9:30am - 4:30pm
Sunday, March 28th 12:30-3:30pm
Saturday, April 10th 9am-1pm
Saturday, April 17th 9am-12pm

Prayer Chaplain Interviews (15 min.)

Sunday, April 18th
Tuesday, April 20th

Prayer Chaplain

Dedication Celebration

Friday, April 30th 7-9pm

Worship Service Dedication

Sunday, May 2nd

Monthly Meetings

3rd Sunday of Each Month
Following Service

About Your Trainer/Coordinator...

Patricia Burke is a world citizen. She grew up in Bermuda, England, and Sri Lanka and received her Nursing Education in Montreal, Canada. She worked as a Nurse, Health Care Risk Manager & Safety Director, and managed a Health, Life and Long Term Disability Co. She is now retired from the business world.

Patricia has been a member of UCCL since the 1980s. She has served on the Board of Trustees, and gives generously of her time and talents to our community. She currently teaches a weekly Tai' Chi Gung on Tuesday evenings. Much to her amazement she felt called to reestablish the Prayer Chaplain Ministry at UCCL. The Board enthusiastically appointed her as our Prayer Chaplain Trainer and Coordinator.

Patricia is motivated by a deep desire to be in the Presence with the awareness: "I will be healed as I let Him teach me to heal." She is earnest in her commitment to use her life as a Gift. She encourages anyone who feels drawn to being of service in this way to follow their heart knowing that the power and presence of God is with us and within us always.

*"God doesn't call the qualified,
he qualifies the called."*

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"Here I am Lord!"

VISION

We are a community committed to love, peace, and wholeness.

MISSION

We celebrate God.
We seek Wisdom and Truth.
We lovingly empower people
to transform their lives.

CORE VALUES

Divinity — We are evolving Spiritual beings, beholding God's presence in ourselves and others.

Acceptance — We co-create with God an atmosphere that honors each individual's sacred worth.

Creativity — We encourage the joyous expression of Spirit in our lives and our community.

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In support of our mission and vision, we are committed to reaching out in prayer, comfort and support to our congregation.

As our church/ministry continues to grow our Prayer Chaplains will serve to meet the needs of our community.

Completing the Prayer Chaplain training and “being” a Prayer Chaplain is transformational soul work. As you discover your greatness and the greatness of others, we are here to support you as you make this next step on your spiritual journey.

I invite you to prayerfully consider becoming a Prayer Chaplain. It is a unique service that is different from many of the other volunteer opportunities in terms of commitment–level and responsibilities. The following information is provided as a basic introduction to the concept and how it works.

What is a Prayer Chaplain?

A Prayer Chaplain is:

- ◇ Someone who will create and hold a spiritual space with you.
- ◇ Someone who will lovingly listen to you
- ◇ Someone who will pray with you.
- ◇ Someone who holds what is shared in the strictest confidence.

What is the time commitment?

The Prayer Chaplain Team is a service opportunity for those members who are truly looking to take the next step in the development of their spiritual maturity and level of commitment in their spiritual growth.

As such, Prayer Chaplains make a one-year commitment in fulfilling their responsibilities.

These responsibilities include (but are not limited to):

- ◇ Serving at 2 services monthly (available for one-on-one prayer following services)
- ◇ 4 hours of wellness calling per month (done on the church grounds)
- ◇ One 2-hour Prayer Chaplain Meeting per month. We will meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month after Service.
- ◇ Yearly training

What if I’ve never done anything like this before?

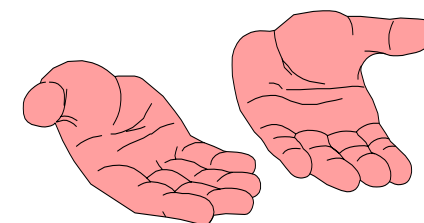
No prior experience praying with others is required to serve as a Prayer Chaplain.

You must have attended an introductory prayer class and be an active UCCL member. There are a number of classes available here at church which will prepare you for this next step in your spiritual journey. Please see the Classes & Activities Schedule.

Be willing to deepen your spiritual path through prayer and service by making this commitment to our Prayer Chaplain Program.

How does a Prayer Chaplain differ from a Chaplain in a hospital or care facility?

Unlike hospital chaplains, Prayer Chaplains are not ordained and are not trained to counsel people. Prayer Chaplains are trained to do three things only: hold spiritual space, listen, and pray. Prayer Chaplains are not trained to “minister” to the community-at-large but are trained as a resource to help meet the pastoral care needs within our church community.



How do I find out more?

If the Prayer Chaplain Program resonates with you and feels like an opportunity you would like to explore further, please plan to attend **Prayer Chaplain Orientation on Sunday, January 3rd or February 14th after Service at UCCL.**

This orientation is mandatory for all those who ultimately do decide to take this next step and attend the training. Please note the training schedule provided, so that you can update your 2010 calendar as all of the training is mandatory to be a Prayer Chaplain.

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Burke at 904-755-2278 or by email at patricia.burke4@gmail.com