



First United Church of Tampa (UCC)

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To Whom It May Concern  
C/o The search Committee  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa

Dear Friends,

I write a word of encouragement and support to candidates who might be looking at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa. I serve as pastor of a neighboring congregation, the First United Church of Tampa and I want to share how much we see the UU church as a partner not only in our immediate Tampa community, but also in the work we both do on behalf of justice in our state and beyond.

Both of our congregations are a part of HOPE, the Hillsborough Organization for Progress and Equality, a faith-based community organization that works on systemic justice issues in our county. I am sure there are other ways that we can expand our work together and we would welcome such cooperation.

This is a respected congregation, which sees its mission beyond itself. Our prayers are with the Search Committee and the person that God has already chosen to lead this wonderful group of people.

Sincerely yours,

The Rev. Bernice Powell Jackson

