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Fellow Members and Friends,

The Board would like to let you know the steps we have taken to meet the needs of the congregation as we go through our transition period.

As you may have heard by now, we have contracted with Pat Jobe to provide the Sunday service for Easter as well as three services in May and three services in June. Pat is already working with the Sunday Services Committee and the Worship Associates to make sure that we have spiritually rewarding, fulfilling services.

Our outstanding Pastoral Care Team is continuing to function to reach out to members who express a joy or concern in the Sunday service as well as those persons they know to have a need. This Team also plans and organizes memorial services as needed. To assist them with those areas requiring professional expertise, such as weddings, memorials, rites of passage, calling on the sick, or crisis intervention, we have contracted with Richard Elliott. Richard is a retired Methodist minister and has training and experience in all these areas.

We have taken these actions to give the congregation a "breathing space" while we consider options for the coming months. No decision has been made about the process to find and select a new minister. We will be meeting with our District Executive, Annette Marquis, in May to explore the services the UUA organization might be able to provide. The current Board, as well next year's Board, will be seeking your feelings, vision, ideas, and wishes to assist in this process. We will hold an open session after the congregational meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup> to give members an opportunity to express your views directly to the Board.

This is OUR congregation. We are strong, healthy, and vital. I am confident that, working together, we will forge a successful path forward.

On behalf of the Board,

Peggy Danvers  
President