

**First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee  
Intent to Join Form  
2015**

**Becoming a Member of First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee**

The meaning of membership is different for every individual. It may be that you're choosing to support the presence of free religion. It may mean your membership means deeper recognition that you have found a spiritual home. It may be that you are choosing to add your name in support of the kind of religious education your children are receiving here, or of the social justice programs we are creating together. It is likely that the meaning of membership will change and expand for you over the years. As a member, we ask you for the following:

1. **Presence-** Attend church services and/or programming as you are able.
2. **Participation-** Get involved in the life of our community in ways that grow your soul. We ask all members to participate in the following programs:
  - ❖ Hospitality Teams
  - ❖ Pastoral Care Providers

In this community, you will have the opportunity to not only be of service to those who live close to you, but to have the support from others when you are experiencing a time of need. We realize not everyone can help every time there is a need, but we ask that we all do what we can to support each other.

3. **Pledging-** All members are required to make and pay a regular pledge of financial support.
4. **Pass It On-** Share your pride in our religious community by talking to people about our church.

When you are ready to join our community, please complete the **Intent to Join form** and return it to the church office.

Upon receiving the form, you will be contacted by Cheri Taylor, Membership Development Coordinator, to set up a one-on-one meeting. This meeting is intended to answer any questions you may have about First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee and the membership process and to assist you in making connections in the community. You will also be scheduled to attend one of our Journey to Membership workshops as your schedule permits.

**New Member Ceremony**

The Sunday immediately following a Journey to Membership workshop, during a regular worship service, you and other new members will be officially welcomed into the church. The ceremony is simple but an important ritual in our community. If you prefer, a private membership book signing can be arranged by contacting Cheri Taylor.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheri Taylor, Membership Development Coordinator, at 414-273-5257, ext 205 or via email at [cheri.taylor@uumilwaukee.org](mailto:cheri.taylor@uumilwaukee.org)

**First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee: Intent to Join**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive the weekly announcement and monthly newsletters? Yes No

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Occupations: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Affiliations: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Partner (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Is your partner joining? Yes No

Children living at home- names and birth dates (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

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Church activities currently involved in: \_\_\_\_\_

Church activities you would like to learn more about: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I hereby authorize First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee to publish the photographs taken of me for use in the church's printed publications, brochures and website. I acknowledge that since my participation is voluntary, I will receive no financial compensation. I release First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee, its members and its employees from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_