

## Candidates for the Board of Trustees

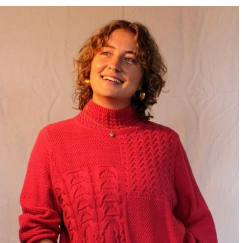
### Mark Chambers



Mark's UU life began in 2005 at All Souls Church, Washington D.C. In 2018, when he and his wife Janine moved back to Milwaukee, they became

members of First Church. At First Church he's been a member and chair of the annual pledge team and co-chair of the Forge Our Future Endowment campaign. He sings with the Chancel Choir. He also serves on the stewardship committee of the Forward Scholars program of Common Ground. Mark is a native of Milwaukee but spent most of his work life out of state. His career has been primarily in non-profit health care administration and also in affordable housing and homeless services in Washington D.C. Sailing, the culture of Milwaukee, and politics occupy the rest of Mark's life.

### Elizabeth Hayes



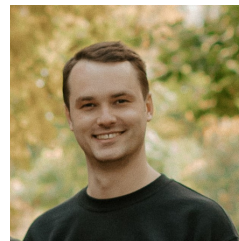
Elizabeth is a proud third-generation Unitarian. Though her membership officially started in 2024, she was dedicated at First Church in 1998 at 6 months

old. As a young person, Elizabeth participated in RE, OWL, and Youth Group and served as Chair of the Youth Steering Committee. She is an active musician with the House Band. Elizabeth graduated from UW-Madison in 2019 with a degree in Elementary Education. In her

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professional life, Elizabeth has worked in education, voter protection, outdoor ed, restorative justice, and national non-profit spaces. Elizabeth is excited to turn her UU life experience into action by serving on the Board.

### Ryan Pawlowski



Ryan and his soon-to-be husband, Austin, joined First Church in 2022, shortly after beginning to attend services. Raised in Cleveland in a Polish and

Irish Catholic household and educated in Catholic Schools his entire life, he was incredibly excited to have found a diverse and inclusive spiritual home that he could bring his whole queer atheist humanist self to. He quickly jumped into a role as Worship Associate Team Co-Chair and began Adult Spiritual Development through the Buddhist Study Group, UU Wellspring, and Paul Tillich Study Group. Outside of church, Ryan is an IT Project Manager, avid yoga practitioner, smart home guru, and politically active with the Democratic Party of Wisconsin & the Human Rights Campaign.

## Candidates for the Nominating Committee

### Lisa Koneazny



Lisa joined First Church over 25 years ago with her husband, Pete. They found a welcoming community that encourages growth and action. Over the years, she has served on a variety of committees including RE, the 2001 building renovation committee that improved accessibility to the building, the Board, and Heritage Society. She also served on the search committee that brought Rev. Dena to First Church. Lisa is a retired nurse. She spent 43 years in various pediatric positions. In retirement, she has found a new way to spend time with children and is in her second year as a Forward Scholars tutor (a program of Common Ground). She is looking forward to working with the Nominating Committee and discussing leadership roles with First Church members.

### Laura White



Laura has been a member of First Church since 2016. She currently serves on the Finance Team and as a Pastoral Care Provider. She is a Senior Frontend Software Engineer. She volunteers in various coding communities in which she hosts career events, helps aspiring developers resolve technical issues with their projects, and reviews contributions for open-source projects. When she is not working or volunteering, she enjoys spending time with friends and family and going for long walks along Lake Michigan.