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Dear UUCK Family,

It is with mixed feelings that I share news that I will soon be leaving my position as the Director of Religious Education. After careful consideration I have accepted an offer for full time employment as the Developmental Director of Family Ministry at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Monclair, New Jersey. My last day at UUCK will be June 30.

My experience at this church has nothing less than remarkable: full of adventures, joys, uncertainties and challenges. In these past two years, we've said goodbye to a beloved minister when she moved on to a prestigious new role with the larger denomination. We celebrated the ordination of our Intern Minister as he embarked on his future career path. We went through an interim period and have emerged with hope, strength, and resilience. And finally, we look forward with great anticipation to Rev. Steven as this church's next called minister. It has been an eventful and memorable journey!

I leave knowing these things:

Our children are imaginative and inspiring! They care deeply about their friends and community and want to make the world a better place.

Our teachers are generous in their love and creativity. They are masterful in the many ways they enrich the spiritual lives of the children and youth.

Our RE Committee is organized, resourceful, and determined to make religious education a rewarding experience for all our children and youth.

Our staff is compassionate, kind and supportive. I have enjoyed being a part of this amazing team.

UUCK is a sacred space for me, as I hope it is for you. My time in this community has been both meaningful and transformative. Thank you for the opportunity to serve and to be a part of the UUCK community.

Love and blessings,



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