

**IUCC Ministries Board Chair Report
November 2015**

Ministries Board met November 9, 2015. Highlights are below:

Women's Retreat

Women's Fellowship is having difficulty finding a retreat facilitator. Their search is continuing and any suggestions are welcome.

Christmas Decorations

Lesley Wheland, Worship Ministry Chair, is looking for volunteers to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas immediately following the 11 o'clock service on November 22.

Deacon Program

The Ministries Board discussed the experimental deacon program with Jerry Price, who has been leading the effort. The existing deacons have expressed that they value the work and the opportunity to serve very much, and staff have expressed that the assistance has helped them provide better service as well. Jerry reports it has been hard to recruit deacons, however. The ministry board's recommendation to Admin Board is that the deacon experiment be extended through the first months of 2016 and that any vote occur at the May Congregational meeting.

Activities & Events

Please keep these items in mind and on your calendar:

Thanksgiving Service at University Synagogue: November 24

Advent Workshop (new format!): December 13

Choir Winter Concert: December 6

Church Leadership Christmas Gathering: December 7

Winter Party: January 23

Respectfully submitted,



Dawn Price
Ministry Board Chair