



Dear Advocate for Older Adults,

Spiritual well-being is an important part of the aging process. It clarifies purpose, brings hope and provides comfort throughout our lives. Chaplaincy is an important piece of United Church Homes' mission, creating community, wholeness and peace for residents, staff and families and our chaplains are focused on providing spiritual care in our senior living communities.

Your congregation can provide the opportunity for chaplains to use their special skills, experience and training in their work which includes:

- Focusing on the whole person, regardless of the individual's faith, tradition, experience or expression.
- Developing partnerships with local church leaders to support residents and UCH communities.
- Providing support for area clergy and congregations in their ministries with older adults.
- Accompanying residents, their families and staff with the many transitions that come in later life.

United Church Homes' **Comprehensive Campaign for Abundant Life** includes support for our **Pastoral Care** program. This support is important as there are limited funding sources to cover the expense of this commitment and program.

Consider supporting United Church Homes' Pastoral Care Fund by utilizing mission moment resources on the abundantaging.org website. In addition to this letter, you will find a bulletin insert, newsletter article and liturgical resources. If you would like a staff or board member to come and share the ministry's story, please reach out to me at blong-higgins@uchinc.org or 740.382.4885.

Blessings,



Rev. Beth Long-Higgins

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P.S. To learn more about the comprehensive campaign, additional areas of support or the mission of the organization visit unitedchurchhomes.org.

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