

REV. ERIK DAVID CARLSON

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST MINISTER

MINISTRY

Bradford Community Church UU, Kenosha, WI • 2016 - Present

Lead Minister: Oversee all worship, R.E., pastoral care, outreach, programming, membership, staff, leadership, etc.

- Increased membership, annual budget, staff and programming,
- Led two successful capital campaigns, established endowment,
- Successfully transitioned to live service broadcasts during Covid,
- Responded to shootings involving Jacob Blake, Kyle Rittenhouse,
- Hired Rev. Dr. Monica L. Cummings as Assistant Minister,
- Led successful transition back to in-person church post-Covid.

Congregations United to Serve Humanity • 2016 – Present

Religious Leaders Caucus Co-Chair 2016-2021: Lead meetings, interfaith vigils, author press statements, etc.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Stockton, IL • 2010 - 2016

Minister: Oversaw all worship services, R.E., pastoral care, outreach, programming, membership, staff, leadership, etc.

Stockton Ministerial Association, Stockton, IL • 2010 - 2016

Co-Chair: Led meetings, public worships, managed group finances.

Unitarian Universalist Association Board of Trustees • 2011 - 2013

Communication Working Group Chair.

Central Midwest District of the UUA • 2005 - 2013

Board of Trustees, UUA Trustee: 2011-2013,
Youth and Young Adult Event Chaplain, 2007-2013,
Teacher and curriculum author, Midwest Leadership School, 2009.
Secretary, Young Adult Steering Committee, 2006 -2007.

Continental UU Young Adult Network • 2006 - 2011

Young Adult Observer to the UUA Board of Trustees, 2009-2011.
Chaplain, International Conferences, 2006, 2010, 2011.

Community Church UU, New Orleans, LA • 2007 - 2008

Ministerial intern for 2007-2008 academic year:

- Led 20 worships at five area congregations,
- Provided pastoral care to congregants in post-Katrina context,
- Served *All Congregations Together*, the Committee to Reopen Charity Hospital and the Common Good Initiative.

Greater New Orleans UUs, New Orleans, LA • 2007 - 2008

Capital Campaign staff:

- Managed website, donations, materials for \$2.7M campaign.
- Produced monthly series *Ethical Living in NOLA* for NOA-TV.

Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL • 2006 - 2007

On-call hospital chaplain.

Church of the Larger Fellowship – Young Adults • 2005 - 2008

CYF charter member, lead web designer, co-chair, MOU author.

ACADEMICS

Meriter Hospital, Madison, WI • 2010

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) II

Meadville Lombard TS • 2005 - 2009

Master of Divinity, 2009, coursework in polity, Policy Governance and comparative religions.

Rush University, Chicago, IL • 2006

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) I .

Tufts University, Medford, MA • 1996 - 2000

BA, English, 2000, coursework in moral philosophy and comparative religions.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Revolution Media, Boston, MA • 2002 - 2016

Principal, lead web designer, client specialist.

VinFen, Inc., Boston, MA • 2003 - 2005

Primary care provider for adults and teens with mental illness and cognitive disabilities.

The-Reference, Inc., Boston, MA • 2000 - 2001

Senior technical writer for financial software.

e-Studio Live, Chelmsford, MA • 2000

Systems quality assurance tech, web designer.

ACHEIVEMENTS & RECOGNITION

Featured Story on Vice News • 9/10/2020

Piece on response to Kenosha shootings, protests.

Called Unanimously to Serve Bradford UU • 2016

Full Ministerial Fellowship with the UUA/MFC • 2014

Allies for Racial Equity - Conference Chaplain • 2013

UUA Bus Chaplain for Tent City Vigil, Phoenix • 2012

Ordained a UU Minister – CCUU New Orleans • 2010

Meadville Lombard Leadership Award • 2009

Reverend X: How Gen X Ministers... • 2008

Church and technology essayist, ©J.L. Jones Press.

Renaissance Module: Multiculturalism • 2007

Our Whole Lives Trainer Certification • 2006

8th Grade, High School, and Young Adult OWL.

UUA Donna DiSciullo Award • 2005

For Young Adult and Campus Ministry.

Sigma Nu Sportsmanship Award • 2000

Zeta Eta Chapter, Tufts University.

Crane Award, John Phillip Sousa Award • 1996

Cranbrook Kingswood H.S., Bloomfield Hills, MI.