

**Affiliated Community Minister**  
Report to the 1U Annual Congregational Meeting – May 19, 2019  
Respectfully submitted by Rev. Kierstin Homblette Allen

Activities from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019:

- Worked with Rev. Kathy Schmitz and the Board of Trustees to explore my affiliation with 1U as a community minister, including conversation about what that status means generally and could mean specifically at 1U
- Drafted an agreement between Rev. Kathy, the Board, and myself that included details about what our various relationships, commitments, and structures of accountability would look like
- The Board voted in October 2018 to affiliate with me as a community minister
- The Congregation affirmed this vote at the Congregational Meeting in October 2018
- Led Night Worship on Sunday nights, and later Wednesday nights, throughout the fall of 2018. Gathered folks in a small group worship style for a 45 minute circle worship, followed by a shared meal. The services were interactive and participatory, as well as contemplative and informal.
- Led worship on Sunday morning several times in the fall and spring. Loved collaborating with the worship team, including amazing music folks, tech folks, and worship leaders. Grateful for the opportunity to worship with this community and am planning to continue to lead when asked!
- Looking forward to ongoing affiliation with the congregation as a community minister, and new agreements to be reached and partnership with interim and settled clergy called to the congregation in the next few years!