

## **Welcome Team and Social Hour**

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### Welcome Team

Sunday morning hospitality at 1U is provided by this group of dedicated volunteers, who serve as ushers and greeters for members, friends, visitors and guests.

A scheduling spreadsheet has been valuable in assuring that there are at least 3 (or up to 5) volunteers on duty each Sunday. A review at the start of the year was well attended, and served to review procedures and strategies for welcoming all (with an eye towards multicultural sensitive, appropriate behaviors). The Safety Team has developed a detailed plan with safety policies at 1U, which has been approved by the BOT. Several different sections of the plan are to be within the Welcome Team's purview. Training the team and implementing the safety plan will be a high priority for the near future. This may require a form of 'credentialing', which will be required of team members who choose to continue on the Welcome Team.

### Social Hour

The Social Hour Team ensures that there are light refreshments available after services. They also assist with all-member potluck luncheons that occur several times a year. Use of a scheduling spreadsheet has simplified reminders and requests for both areas of hospitality. A goal for the coming year continues to be to expand the pool of volunteers hosting Social Hour. Funding for supplies and food has been part of the church budget, for which all are grateful.