



Why Join a Covenant Group?

Being Part of a Covenant Group is a great opportunity to:

Get to know members and friends of the church better.

Develop supportive relationships in an accepting and nurturing atmosphere.

Explore some “big questions” of life’s meaning and purpose with people you trust.

Deepen your understanding and values.

Discover and use your gifts in service to our church and the wider community.

The inherent worth and dignity of every person.

Justice, equity and compassion in human relations.

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

The right conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.

The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.

Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



Covenant Groups at the Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Springfield



Creating Community Through
Small Group Ministry



Building Connections...

A Covenant Group is a group of 6 - 10 members and friends of the church who meet regularly throughout the church year to explore meaningful topics together. They provide opportunities for friendship, and personal and spiritual growth through exploration of life's fundamental questions.



Small groups
grow spiritually

When do they meet?

Covenant Groups generally meet twice a month for two hours. Each group decides when and where to meet. A typical meeting begins with opening words and a check-in. Next, the facilitator encourages discussion and sharing on a specific topic. The meeting concludes with a check-out and closing words.

What is the covenant?

Each group develops its own covenant, or mutual promise. It includes guidelines for creating a constructive and comfortable atmosphere in meetings. The covenant also includes a commitment to engage in service to the congregation and the larger world. Service projects are chosen based on member's interests and talents.



How do I join?

It's easy. Groups will be forming in January to meet from February to May of 2018. There will be announcements and a sign-up form in the newsletter and at church on Sundays.

You can contact us anytime to let us know you're interested. We want to make room for everyone who wants to be a part of the Covenant Circle... including you!

For more information send an email to

covenantgroups@aluuc.org

Or talk to Stu Jacobson, Caitlin McDonald, Martin Woulfe or Carol Kneeder.