

Ainsworth United Church of Christ
JUSTICE COMMISSION

Position description

2 year term

(2016)

The Justice Commission is responsible for guiding the congregation in its advocacy work for justice & peace. The Commission determines its priorities of focus and then coordinates activities, ie. organizing letter writing, petition signing, rallies, forums, demonstrations, etc., and also recruit people to represent Ainsworth UCC at related community meetings. Justice priorities change on an annual basis. Historically, the Commission has focused on LGBTQ justice, economic justice, peace-making and environmental justice. The priorities for 2015 are racial justice (Black Lives Matter), and immigration justice. The Commission seeks to aid members of the congregation in addressing their interests in justice, and members are invited to bring ideas and concerns to the group. The Commission may also choose to plan worship opportunities to highlight justice issues.

The Justice Commission responsibilities also include:

- Maintain Ainsworth United Church of Christ's connection with community organizations, including Jubilee and the Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice.
- Attend the Justice Commission meetings which are generally held monthly.
- A member of the Justice Commission represents the commission at the monthly Council Meetings.
- The Justice Commission attends the annual Leadership Retreat.
- The Justice Commission writes an annual report to be turned in by the beginning of the next calendar year.