

CONTRACT MINISTER ANNOUNCEMENT...2014-02-23

On behalf of the Interim Task Force, we are very pleased to announce that Reverend Mark Walz has accepted an offer from Westside to serve as our quarter time minister for the next six months while awaiting the arrival of an accredited Interim Minister. Reverend Walz has been a long-time friend of Westside and was a dear colleague of our Minister Emeritus, Russell Elleven. Reverend Walz is a very compassionate individual interested in promoting the UU faith tradition and lifting up fellow UU churches. He has spoken as a guest speaker at Westside several times through the years and his messages are thought provoking and have been well received. Reverend Walz continues to serve the Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Cliff in a 3/4 time capacity, so will be with us 1/4 time. His time with us, while limited, will be of great service to Westside over the next several months!

- You will see him in the pulpit on the fourth Sunday of every month beginning in April (however, he will also deliver the Reflection on March 9th);
- Working in conjunction with our Chaplains, he will be available for some pastoral care;
- Though limited, he will have some availability by appointment for individual pastoral counseling appointments to members and friends;
- He will be able to perform rites of passage (child dedications, memorial services, marriages, etc);
- And he will be attending the monthly board meetings and other church events as his schedule allows.

You will be hearing more about his service through memos in the weekly web, order of service inserts, and the newsletter over the next several weeks. In the meantime, we wanted to share this good news with you 😊