

# Church Council Report on Nominees to the LDNC

*Submitted by the Church Council for vote by the Congregation virtually June 9-23*

As per the bylaws amendments approved in 2014, the role of the former Nominating Committee was expanded and renamed the Leadership Development and Nominating Committee (LDNC). It focuses on promoting leadership development in general, as well as recruiting and nominating members for trustee and officer positions. The LDNC has 15 members, with three-year staggered terms.

Current members of the LDNC are:

- Brenda Barbour, Mary Beth Hatem, Maya Hermann, Paula Shoecraft (through 2021)
- Michael Chandler, Tom Fox, Jennifer Vanmeter (through 2022)
- Taquiena Boston, Jeanne Kowalski, Sarah Raymond, Tracy Zorpette (through 2023)

The following slate includes two candidates for two-year terms, and one candidate for a one-year term

Nominated for one year (2020-21)

**Jen Bruneau** is an environmental engineer for Montgomery County Parks. Since joining All Souls in 2004, she has taught middle school, both taken and facilitated adult spiritual development classes, sang with the Jubilee Singers, sat on the renovation committee, and served as All Souls' membership secretary. Her longest commitment to the All Souls community is through her covenant group.

Nominated for two years (2020-22)

**Pat Adler** has been a member of All Souls since January 2019. She moved to DC from Manhattan in 2016, and immediately found All Souls, which she attended regularly. She has been a member of Mindful Souls, All Souls' meditation group, for the past two years. She has also been a member of two covenant groups for the past two years: Poetry and Journaling and Stopping to Think. Pat is retired from her 36-year career as an English teacher, department chairman, and finally principal at High School for the Humanities, a large New York City public school. She moved to DC to be near her son and his family. The light of her life are her two grandchildren, Claire, four, and Vivienne, one and a half. All Souls is her spiritual home and she looks forward to becoming more involved with this wonderful church in the future.

**Pamela L. Spratlen**, a member of All Souls since 1993, was born in Columbus, OH, and grew up in Washington State and California. As a public-school child, she and her family attended the Unitarian Fellowship of Bellingham, WA. She graduated from Wellesley College and UC Berkeley before starting her professional career in the California legislature. In 1990, she moved to the DC area to realize her dream of being a diplomat in the U.S. Foreign Service, spending many years abroad, in Guatemala, France, Russia, Kazakhstan, and—as U.S. Ambassador—Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan. Pamela retired from the in July 2019. Her last leadership role in a UU church was in Paris over 20 years ago. If elected, she looks forward to serving on the LDNC at a critical time in the life of All Souls.

Nominated for three years (2020-23)

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