

# Sexually Safer Best Practice Congregations: A Workshop with Rev. Debra Haffner of the Religious Institute

Saturday February 6, 2016 from 12 pm – 4:30 p m

First Unitarian Church of Wilmington

730 Halstead Road Wilmington DE

Directions: <http://www.firstuuwilm.org/>

This 4.5 hour training is open to CER congregations interested in learning how to create and sustain a sexually safer best practice congregation. *Participants will learn how and why to create explicit policies and procedures for keeping children, youth and adult members safe from sexual abuse, harassment and professional sexual misconduct in the congregation.* The workshop will assist congregations in meeting the requirements to become a Sexually Safer Best Practice Congregation, a new joint initiative of the Religious Institute and the UUA.

Congregations are encouraged to send a team that may include the minister, the religious educator, board and religious education leaders, safe congregation teams, and Committee on Ministry members.

Registration is \$40 per person or \$100 for a congregational team of 3. Space is limited so please register early! **Deadline for registration is Wednesday, January 27th.** Registration includes a light lunch, the workshop and all materials/handouts.

The Religious Institute is a multifaith organization dedicated to advocating for sexual health, education, and justice in faith communities and society. More than 7,500 clergy, seminary presidents and deans, religious scholars and other religious leaders representing more than 50 faith traditions are part of the Religious Institute's national network.

The Reverend Debra W. Haffner is Co-founder and President of Religious Institute, Inc. An ordained Unitarian Universalist minister, she is also the endorsed community minister with the [Unitarian Church in Westport, CT](#). Rev Haffner is the foremost authority in Unitarian Universalism on the policies and practices that make congregations sexually safer.

**Registration Link here:** <https://uua.wufoo.com/forms/r1ac3m2s03d7m5u/>

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