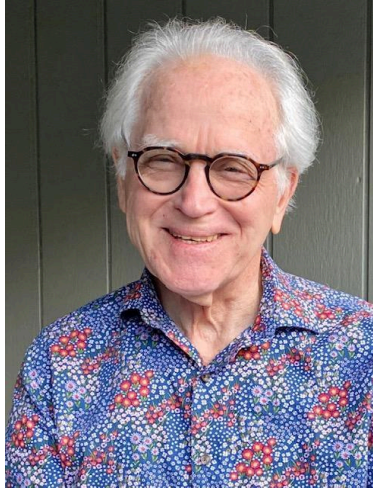




Sherna Hough Deamer

Sherna became a member of the Bahá'í Faith in Los Angeles in 1978, while she was working for Jacques Cousteau—host of The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau television series--as a writer, lecturer, and public relations officer. In 1983 she was invited to serve at the Bahá'í World Center in Haifa, Israel, and there worked with governmental officials and media representatives at the local and national levels. At the Bahá'í World Center she also served as the head of the Department of Publishing, and as director of the public tours operation, managing a staff of Christians, Jews, Muslims, and Druze.

Sherna and her husband, Bryn, moved to San Rafael in 2002, and for 12 years she worked for the Superior Court of California, as administrator of the Virtual Self Help Law Center. She retired in 2014 and now serves as faculty of the Wilmette Institute, a Bahá'í on-line learning center. She and her husband love to travel, and have been around the world a number of times, including visits to over 70 countries on every continent except Antarctica. Also, she is the Interfaith Council's appointee to the Buck Family Fund Board of Trustees.



Bob Rees Biography

Bob Rees, Ph.D., retired in 2023 as Visiting Professor and Director of Latter-day Saint Studies at Graduate Theological Union. Bob has also taught at three UC campuses and at Vytautas Magnus University in Lithuania as a Fulbright Professor.

Bob is co-founder and current vice-president of the Bountiful Children's Foundation and founder and president of FastForward for the Planet, a non-profit climate foundation currently working to save the Great Salt Lake. He is the author of, *A New Witness to the World: Reading and re-reading the Book of Mormon* and the forthcoming, *Imagining and Reimagining the Restoration*.

Bob's interfaith work includes serving as President of the Religious Conference at UC Santa Cruz as well as on the Santa Cruz Interfaith Council and the board member of the Marin Interfaith Council



Rev. Floyd Thompkins bio

Reverend Floyd Thompkins, M.Div., is a gifted leader, preacher and teacher devoted to Christ, and to creating a strong community. Concurrent to his role at St. Andrew, Rev. Thompkins serves as the CEO of the Justice and Peace Foundation, an organization continuing the tradition of building the beloved MLK community. He previously served as Vice President and Director of the Center for Innovation in Ministry of the San Francisco Theological Seminary. He was also the Associate Dean of Religious Life at two world-class institutions, Stanford and Princeton Universities. Rev. Thompkins has published three books and many academic papers and is frequently called upon to give his perspectives and opinions on race, health care and spirituality.

His most recent venture that takes place in Marin City is called [Come to the Table](#) where he brings together residents of Marin City and residents from Marin to share a meal, have conversation, and hear about a relevant topic for all.

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