

Rev. Rachel Cooley Shawler is excited to begin serving as Kensington Community Church's Youth Group Co-Leader in January 2023.

She has served in Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and UCC churches in Dallas, Nashville, and Fort Walton Beach, FL, and graduated from Vanderbilt Divinity School in 2021.

Rachel is passionate about empowering youth to experience their faith in relationship & community, creative expression, acts of service, asking questions, and spiritual practices. She is grateful and eager to co-create brave space with the youth and folks at KCC.

She is also training to teach yoga, providing pastoral care as a shift chaplain at UCSD hospitals, and developing a community for spiritual seekers to explore vocation and build new ventures. She loves to hike, cook and try new foods with her husband, write, connect with friends & family, and explore San Diego.