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Roxane Rucker named Co-Executive Director of Interwoven Congregations

Interwoven Congregations (IwC) is pleased to announce that Roxane Rucker is joining the IwC leadership team as Co-Executive Director effective Monday, January 3, 2022. She will share the role with Pat Jackson, the founding Co-Executive Director of IwC. Roxane joins at a time when IwC is poised to advance its mission to promote racial justice and healing through partnerships of faith communities with different racial compositions. Said Rucker, *“There’s tremendous momentum across many institutions — government, industry, academia — to take a policy-oriented approach to dismantling systemic racism. Unlike these other institutions, faith communities are uniquely positioned to call upon, and when needed, challenge our deepest held beliefs — to speak to us through the language of our hearts, and to call on us to draw nearer to God’s vision for our lives. Interwoven will help congregations create the environment and partnerships to facilitate individual and congregational transformation.”*



For the past year, Roxane has served Interwoven Congregations as a vital member of the Board of Directors helping to shape IwC’s interfaith vision, mission, and strategy, and launch its pilot program between two congregations in the Washington, D.C. area. Going forward, she will focus on expanding IwC’s congregational pairs as we work to take Interwoven Congregations to scale while further developing approaches to cross-racial relationship building, training about systemic racism, and activating new anti-racist, justice projects with our congregational partners.

Roxane has many years of senior-level programmatic expertise gained with organizations addressing voting rights and the participation of people of color in the franchise and racial equity in community-based public spaces and parks. She also brings significant business, operations, and financial experience gained from her successful career in telecommunications. Roxane grew up in the African Methodist Episcopal tradition and recently joined Westminster Presbyterian Church (Washington, D.C.) as she continues her journey towards living an active Christian life rooted in love, justice, and peace. She has lived in Arlington, VA with her wife of many years and is active in her community and local politics. Roxane can be reached at roxane@interwovencongregations.org.



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