

RE Schedule

Multi-generational Worship Services

Sept 7– Rocks & Water Communion
Nov 23– Thanksgiving
Dec 14– Holiday Program/Mitten Tree
Feb 8– Valentines Day
April 5– Easter
May 17– RE Appreciation Day

Owl

We will be offering Our Whole Lives for youth in 7th-9th grades. Dates and times will be decided by the students and their families.

Mystery Friend Program

February is Mystery Friend Month. We will match children with adults in a mystery game that culminates in new friends meeting each other at the end of the month. Watch for details in January.

Watch in the newsletter for the dates of our **Annual Cake Raffle** in the spring!

All Church Celebrations:

Sept 20th —Turkey Smoke

Oct 18th—Fellowship Potluck /
Halloween Party.



Vision Statement

The vision of the youth RE program at UUBN is to provide an engaging community in which young people can courageously grow in their UU faith.

Goals:

- Encouragement to live our UU values.
- Encourage the intentional process of spiritual/intellectual/emotional and social discovery.
- Nurture and develop relationships and connections.

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Religious Education Program

Appreciating our Unitarian Universalist Identity and Heritage



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Classes

Preschool (ages 3 & 4)

Chalice Children

This curriculum is designed to nurture children's spiritual growth, creativity and connection to their Unitarian Universalist community by involving them in "hands-on" rituals. Here, young ones are introduced to the UU chalice, discover the concepts of birth and death, explore the great forces of nature and the difference between animate and inanimate things, and consider how to make choices and overcome difficulties.

K/1st Grade

Our Whole Lives

We will offer the first segment of the UU comprehensive age-appropriate human sexuality program in Sept-Oct. Children will learn about keeping their bodies safe and healthy and about the miracle of life.

World of Wonder

This program looks at our 7th principle to instill respect for the interdependent web of all existence by direct experience with nature.



2nd/3rd Grade

Moral Tales

The year will begin with a curriculum called *Moral Tales*. These lessons will provide children with the spiritual and ethical tools they will need to make choices and take actions reflective of their Unitarian Universalist beliefs and values.

Faithful Journey

Children will embark on a pilgrimage of faith, exploring how UU translate into life choices and everyday actions. They will discover how we are, what we believe and how we live in faith.

4th/5th Grade

Spirit of Adventure

This UU identity curriculum uses a variety of large motor activities to teach about Unitarian Universalism. Kids will dissect a computer, build a cantilevered architectural structure using graham crackers, and sing "Jingle Bells" in "dog" language as well as a lot other fun stuff.

Our Whole Lives

This eight session curriculum is designed to give our children knowledge, life principles, and skills they need to express their sexuality in life-enhancing ways.

Middle School (6th, 7th, 8th)

Compass Points

Our youth will explore themselves, their beliefs, their UU faith, their relationships with others and the world. They will be able to sort out their feelings about themselves and their world as they do the difficult work of starting to create their adult selves. They will discover what they believe about life's big questions—the nature of humanity and the divine, beliefs about death and faith. They will begin to understand that religious liberty is a hard-won legacy that continues to need protection.

High School (9th-12th)

Youth group offers a supportive environment in which teens can explore their feelings about themselves, their world, and their religion. There will be opportunities for service projects, leadership development, social fun times, and worship.



Child Care

Childcare for infants through 2 year olds is offered during worship services on Sunday mornings.

Arranging childcare for Church events or meetings is the responsibility of the person who is organizing the event. Please contact the church office to arrange childcare.

UUBN is Wired for Sound

If parents need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason, you can still hear the service in the Fell Room and in the Stevenson Library.

Registration

A registration form can be found in all classrooms, on the bulletin board outside the childcare room and on the welcome table. All families must complete this form each year. Registration is critical to our program planning and to meeting the needs of each individual child, and is the basis of our class mailing lists. Please return the forms to the UUBN office or the Associate Minister.