# **UUFWC Religious Education for Children and Youth 2018-19**

Minds that think, Hearts that love, and Hands that are willing to serve

We're so excited to begin another year in UUFWC RE. On this prospectus, you'll find information on curriculum, upcoming events, and opportunities for your child/youth's involvement. Please join us for the first day of RE: Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>! Classes will meet their wonderful facilitators, learn about their curriculum, and start getting to know one other (or get reacquainted with friends from last year). We hope to see your family then!

#### **CURRICULUM**

Our Unitarian Universalist Promises:

Nursery (Infant-3) Our littlest UUs will gather to "light" a felt chalice followed by free play. Blessed Bees (PreK-K) Chalice Children delves deep into our UU faith with fun-filled and creative activities for young children. It provides experiences around the strength of community, the wonder and awe that transcend everyday understanding, and the life issues we all share. Earth Spirits (1st-3rd) UU Superheroes shares stories of Unitarians, Universalists, and UUs who have acted with courage and wisdom in their attempts to live their lives fully and make the world a better place for others. An active and engaging curriculum for this active age group! Extra Extreme Explorers (4-6th) Spirit of Adventure teaches about our UU Principles through hands on activities and games. Group projects and sharing help build community while the class learns about a range of everyday topics and their relation to our UU history and Identity. Junior High (7-9<sup>th</sup>) Our Whole Lives (OWL) the flagship offering of our comprehensive, sciencebased, lifespan sexuality education curriculum developed by the UUA and UCC.

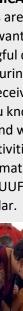
Youth Community (7-12<sup>th</sup>) Any member of Youth Community is invited to gather and connect with each other and adult allies from 11a-12p on Sundays (with the exception of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month). In addition to monthly social gatherings and a lock in, this will be the youth community's time for worship, planning, and social justice work throughout the year.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES

This year we will continue our monthly all-ages services on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. We will be using a monthly, theme-based format that will span services, RE classes, social media posts, and small group meetings and events for adults as well as children. Our hope is for this to be an opportunity for your families to discuss big topics both separately and together.

#### COMMUNICATION

Recognizing that parents are children's primary religious educators, we want to support your family in having meaningful conversations throughout the week. During the RE year, registered parents will receive a brief weekly email designed to let you know what was discussed in RE classes and ways to incorporate the lesson into family activities in the week ahead. RE program information is also always included in the monthly UUFWC Newsletter and on the Fellowship calendar.



7. Value Our Earth, Which We Share with All Living Things

6. Insist on a Peaceful, Fair and Free World

# 2018-19 RE Calendar

# SEPTEMBER

2—Animal Blessing–NO RE/Nursery only

- 9–First Day of RE!!!
- 9-Youth Community Welcome Cookout 11-1
- 16—All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only
- 23—Architect coming to discuss building expansion
- 30—Fire Drill during 9:30 RE time

# OCTOBER

7—Vote on Capital Campaign for building expansion
21—All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only
28—Halloween Dress up and Trick or Treat during RE!

# NOVEMBER

18-All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only

#### DECEMBER

16—All-ages Solstice Program run by our Music Director,
Sharon (in place of our usual Holiday Pageant)
23—One Service: 10am NO RE or Nursery
24—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7pm
30—One Service 10am NO RE or Nursery

# JANUARY

20—All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only

#### FEBRUARY

3—Mystery Pals begins 17—All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only

# MARCH

3—Mystery Pals Reveal 17—All-ages Service-NO RE/Nursery only

#### APRIL

21—All-ages Service and Easter Egg Hunt

MAY

19—RE Sunday—one service at 10am

# HOW TO REACH US

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#### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

RE classes and nursery will be held on all Sundays except those noted on this calendar.

RE for Preschool through 9<sup>th</sup> grade will be held at 9:30a; Youth Community (any youth 7-12<sup>th</sup>) may meet at 11a.

Nursery care is available during both services for birth through age 3.

# MUSIC

Our Music Director, Sharon Delgadillo, would love to have children and youth participation in Choir, Folk Orchestra, performances during services, and the Solstice Service/Pageant. Watch the October newsletter for more info or talk to Sharon on a Sunday.

# **MYSTERY PALS**

This coming winter we will once again hold our multigenerational pen pal program! Watch for more information in the January newsletter.



# Oh Baby!

Chelsea (the Director of RE) is due to have a baby in early November! While she is on maternity leave, our Intern Minister Drew Frantz will be filling in as DRE. He will be present on Sunday mornings to assist volunteer teachers and will be available to meet with families as needed. Contact Drew at: drew.uufwc@gmail.com.

