

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist

Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- *The inherent worth and dignity of every person;*
- *Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;*
- *Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;*
- *A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;*
- *The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;*
- *The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;*
- *Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.*

Inspired by many sources, we seek truth and grow in spirit.

Our Living Traditions include:

- *Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;*
- *Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;*
- *Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;*
- *Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;*
- *Humanist teachings, which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.*
- *Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions, which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.*

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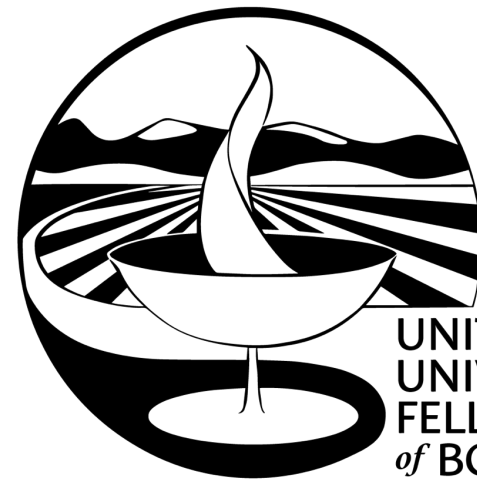
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Announcements & news for the Sunday Service bulletin and Friday e-news are due by 9 a.m. every Tuesday. Please email announcements to admin@uufbozeman.org.



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**“Imagination and Play:
Should we really give up our
childish ways?””**

Linda Larson and Bill Pelto

April 28, 2024



WE:

WELCOME DIVERSITY
ACT FOR JUSTICE
FOSTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH
INSPIRE COMPASSION
NURTURE COMMUNITY
SUSTAIN OUR LIVING PLANET

UUFB Mission Statement

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Call to Service: “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” UUF^B Choir
By Harold Arlen and Yip Harburg, Arranged by Megan Makeever

Greetings and Introduction Paul Stouffer, Lay Leader

Announcements

Greet Your Neighbor

Opening Words/Lighting of the Chalice

Words by Rev. Scott Tayler

Time of Centering/Ringing of the Peace Bowl

Reading of the Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.

This is our covenant with one another, and the Spirit of Life:

To live together in peace, to seek truth in freedom,

And to help one another.

Opening Hymn #361: “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In”

Story for All Ages: *Harold and the Purple Crayon* by Crockett Johnson

Sing Children Out: “Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the spirit of Love surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.”

Special music: “An April Day” by Florence Price, words by Joseph Seamon Cotter, Jr.

Sermon: “Imagination and Play: Should we really give up our childish ways?”

Musical Meditation: “I am easily assimilated” from *Candide* by Leonard Bernstein

Joys and Concerns

Musical Response #1002: “Comfort Me”

“Comfort me, comfort me, comfort me, oh my soul.” (2x)

2nd verse: “Sing with me...” (2x)

Offering

Music: “Hornpipe Rondo” by Anthony Hedges

Closing Hymn #311: “Let it be a Dance”

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice

Words by Robert Fulghum

Closing Song #402: “From You I Receive”

“From you I receive, to you I give, together we share, and from this we live.” (2x)



We extend a special heartfelt thank you to:

Speakers: Linda Larson, Bill Pelto

Lay Leader: Paul Stouffer

Musicians: Linda Larson, Bill Pelto, Megan Makeever, UUF^B Choir

Livestream Operator: Anna Jacobs

RE Staff: Beth Witte, Christine Wilcox, Faila Bianchini & volunteers

Children’s Religious Exploration (RE) Information: Our programs include children of all ages. Children ages 2 to 12 are welcome to join RE class in the large classroom in the back of the building. We currently do not offer nursery service but if you have a child under 2, please feel free to grab a busy bag and use the nursery room as a calming space. For more information about the program or if you have questions, please contact the Religious Exploration Coordinator Beth Witte at cre@uufbozeman.org.



Upcoming Service

May 5, 2024 • "Flower Communion" with Rev. Margo Rinehart

Bring a flower to share with fellow members of the UUF^B community, whether it's carefully cultivated by a florist, lovingly nurtured in a garden, or spontaneously sprung by the roadside. The tradition of flower communion traces back to the 1930s in a Unitarian church in Europe, initiated by Rev. Chopek as a means of bestowing blessings and providing an alternative to the traditional bread and wine communion. Come join us in celebrating the arrival of spring in Bozeman as we partake in this communal event.

Welcome! If you are visiting, we invite you to contact us so we may inform you of our activities. Please join us after the service for coffee, tea, and conversation.

As a “Welcoming Congregation,” the UUF^B seeks to be fully inclusive of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons.