



## July Sunday Services

### June 7, 2019 • “One Nation, Indivisible?” • Rev. Duffy Peet

“I pledge allegiance to my Flag and the Republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” These are the words of the pledge of allegiance written by Francis Bellamy in 1892. It seems today that our nation is in a time of fragmentation and division, a time when liberty and justice are for some, but not for all. Looking to our Seven Principles how might we find ways to promote wholeness and unity?

### July 14, 2019 • “A Coffee Shop Epiphany” • Guest Speaker: Rev. Kali DeHart

Rev. Kali DeHart plans to speak about the interplay between wisdom and spirituality. Some things really do get better with age. I hope you will join for conversation with our visiting minister from Sheridan, WY.

### July 21, 2019 • “Spirituality and Religious Tolerance in Mongolia” • Guest Speaker: Dr. Cliff Montagne

Dr. Cliff Montagne, Professor Emeritus at Montana State University, has worked extensively with the people of Mongolia. He will share his observations on their rich spiritual history and religious diversity, which was influenced by Genghis Khan. Khan practiced a type of shamanism characterized by a strong connection and reverence for the natural world. As Khan expanded the empire, he was influenced by and tolerant of Buddhism, Islam, Christianity and Daoism. Genghis Khan is the subject of the current exhibit at the Museum of the Rockies.

### July 28, 2019 • “Everyday Enlightenment” • Guest Speaker: Rev. Lyn Stangland Cameron

We UU's look to the eighteenth century “Enlightenment,” and the birth of the age of reason for many of our UU roots. However, “enlightenment” has other faces, other meanings and other sources. It was Elizabeth Dodson Gray's “Sacred Dimensions of Women's Experience” and the writings of Thich Nhat Hahn that validated my personal experience that everyday chores and mundane tasks can be accomplished in a spiritually satisfying and enlightening manner. In this era of great challenge, distress and confusion let's spend this midsummer hour exploring and appreciating an enlightenment that is accessible each day. Rev. Lyn Stangland Cameron is a recently retired UU minister and lives in Idaho Falls.



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## Minister Musings

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As I write my article for this month I am sitting in a hotel room in Spokane, WA, the site of UU Ministry Days and the UUA General Assembly 2019. Today I spent most of the day attending Ministry Days activities and had the opportunity to meet and chat with two ministers who served UUFB prior to my arrival, namely Rev. Nina Grey and Rev. Jackie Ziegler. Both spoke very warmly of their time in Bozeman and I shared wellwishes from the congregation. I have also been talking to many of the ministers I meet about how wonderful Bozeman is as a vacation destination. Of course I also let them know that there would likely be an opportunity for them to share their wisdom and insight from the pulpit on a Sunday morning should they decide to visit our fair city. There were several ministers whose eyes lit up as I talked about this possibility.

General Assembly (GA) begins tomorrow and I expect that is when several of the members of UUFB will arrive. Since I arrived earlier than most GA attendees, I decided to register this afternoon to avoid the crowds (there will be well over 2,500 UUs from across the country attending). Ministry Days has been uplifting and inspiring so far and I am sure GA will be exciting and energizing. Here are a couple of photos from Spokane. I will close with a saying that is often written on postcards sent by someone who is on vacation to family and friends back home. Having a wonderful time. Wish you were here.





## Religious Exploration Corner



Happy July! I hope everyone's summer is off to a good start.

Our summer RE program is now underway, and will continue through August. The Sunday morning sessions include outdoor explorations, indoor craft activities and a lightly structured circle time with songs & stories. The program is designed to accommodate family travel plans as each session is a stand-alone whole. Drop-ins are welcome anytime!

Our Volunteer Calendar for July is posted in the Social Hall. We have decided to return to nursery care plus the multi-age classroom for RE. So we will need two volunteers every Sunday.

Also, I would like to inform you all that I am retiring from my position as Coordinator of Religious Exploration as of July 31st. I have enjoyed my 11 years serving this amazing Fellowship, but it is time for me to move on with another phase of my life.

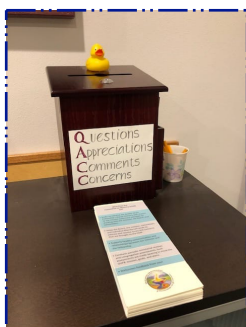
If you have any questions or concerns about our children's RE programming, I would love to hear from you. Feel free to email me anytime this month at [cre@uufbozeman.org](mailto:cre@uufbozeman.org)

Marie Lynn, Coordinator of Religious Exploration



### The QACC Box is for you!

Do you have Questions, Appreciations, Comments, or Concerns (QACCs)? The Committee on Ministry (COM) welcomes it all! Submit your QACCs! Look for the box with the duck on the table in the social hall. The COM reviews submissions at our monthly meetings.



### Upcoming Events

- 7/2 Support Group for Caregivers
- 7/7 White Fragility/Racial Book Discussion Group
- 7/8 - 7/10 Planting Help Needed
- 7/10 Men's Group
- 7/13 RE Organizing Event
- 7/14 2nd Sunday Offering to Eagle Mount
- 7/17 Women's Group
- 7/18 Public Forum: "Forging Better Relationships with Our Local Native American Friends and Neighbors"
- 7/21 Food Bank Sunday
- 7/23 Blair Sing-Along
- 7/25 Fork & Spoon
- 7/28 Glass Recycling



## Board Report

~ Tonya Stevens, UUFB Board President  
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On June 8th, the new UUFB Board of Directors enjoyed a well-presented **Board Retreat** that was prepared and facilitated by members of the new Governance and Leadership Committee. This was a great introduction and a useful bonding opportunity for all the members of the Board.

On June 9th, the Hospitality and Membership Committee held their first Sunday morning **Newcomers Breakfast**. After noshing on yogurt and fruit and breads, the newcomers were asked to give their views about their orientation and welcome to the Fellowship. The summary of their comments will be reviewed by Hospitality and Membership as well as the Board, as we are eager to learn how to build community with the aid of our newest members. Of particular note, new members reported feeling a little lost in the system, not understanding our organizational structure. This is a concern that even long-time members have expressed. To that end, the Communications Committee has asked Susan Anderegg, our volunteer graphic designer extraordinaire, to produce an **Organizational Chart** that we will be displaying on a wall in the building sometime this summer. We will be printing this resource in smaller size for distribution as well.

That Sunday, June 9th, was the Program Council's first meeting of the Program year during which committee chairs and task force leaders reported on their respective groups' doings. Peg Wherry, Vice President of the Board, will be convener for the Program Council's meetings 2019-2020.

This month, Mike Clark provided a training in use of the **new video projector** to several members. Our audio-visual contractor has provided a system that is quite easy for trained members to use with various types of computers. We are especially pleased with the high resolution of the video now available.

During June, members contacted the Board with strong feelings and questions about UUFB's standing with the LGBTQ+ community. As was pointed out, we promote our position as a Welcoming Community, but there is no visible indication of that, nor have we participated in events of late that would show support for this vulnerable population. This was a good wake-up call to the Board. We now have a member of the congregation investigating applying for the UUA's "Welcoming Renewal." This is a process that will require we abandon our complacency and help us address how we can do a better job of showing up for the LGBTQ+ community.

We gave our thanks to our Nursery Caregiver, Katrina Bianchini, who tendered her resignation the first week of June because she recently procured a full-time job that would prevent her availability on Sunday Mornings. The Board agreed to a proposal made by RE Coordinator Marie Lynn to hire two UUFB teenagers, Faila and Marissa Bianchini, to assist adult volunteers and Marie with children's classes during Sunday services this summer. A new nursery caregiver will be hired to begin work in September.

As most of you know, our current part-time pianist Erin Henke will be playing her last service on August 4th. We have watched Erin grow as a musician since she started working for us as a high school student. On August 7th she and her husband Logan will leave Bozeman so she may pursue a Master's degree in Collaborative Piano at Longy University in Cambridge, MA. We will miss her talent, her passion and her devotion to UUFB.



## Board Report continued...

Instead of finding another part-time pianist to replace Erin, the Board has voted to hire long-time member and well-known pianist Laurel Yost to serve as a full-time pianist. We are blessed to be able to enjoy the talents of such a fine musician as Laurel and look forward to what she will bring to Sunday morning music!

Ten people from Bozeman attended the **UUA General Assembly** in Spokane that took place June 19th-23rd. At a recent debriefing meeting, attendees reported experiencing inspiration, frustration, joy, outrage over issues, and gratitude for the diverse body of UU members and skilled leaders we were exposed to in Spokane. We brought home a huge number of new ideas and resources that will help us continue to grow in size and in spirit. We also brought back lots of new books for our library and a great appreciation for the UUFB congregation, who seem so cohesive and loving and welcoming. Look for a display in the Social Hall soon of General Assembly Happenings!

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Stevens, UUFB Board President - July 2, 2019



## Adult Religious Exploration

### **Spiritual Pluralism Project Groups**

*Our Fellowship currently has two Spiritual Pluralism groups. Each group usually has a chalice lighting, a time for check-in, a covenant for how they will be together, and time for sharing on a topic or theme. The existing groups are:*

**UU Buddhist Group** - The Buddhist Study Group explores practices such as meditation and spiritual development. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 1st 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the UUFB large classroom. For more information, please contact Warren Knipfer (rwkbozeman@gmail.com).

**UU Humanist Group** - The UU Humanist Group explores Humanism and its role in Unitarian Universalism. For more information, please contact Sara Williams (sawilliams6@gmail.com).

## Planting Help Needed!

A few members & friends are working to plant perennial, drought resistant flowers in the bed just to the right of the front entrance. We need to remove the mulch and soil and then replace it with more before planting. We plan several work times next week and would appreciate some help so no one ends up with a sore back! If you want to participate, but can't dig and shovel, you can donate to UUFB "landscape" in the memo line. 2 yards of soil and parts for the drip line will cost about \$175.

Monday, July 8th: 5-7 p.m. - remove mulch and ground cloth; bring a shovel gloves

Wednesday, July 10th: 5-7 p.m. - add new soil/compost, bring shovel and gloves

Thursday, July 11th: 5-7 p.m. - prepare the soil for planting

Please let Amanda Cater know at [catera@mcn.net](mailto:catera@mcn.net) if you can help on any one of the days or just for an hour. Thanks so much! It will be beautiful when we finish!



## Upcoming Events



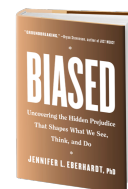
### Support Group for Caregivers - July 2

The next Support Group for Caregivers meeting will be held in the UUFB large classroom on Tuesday, July 2 at 2:00 p.m. If you have questions, contact Jennifer Haukebo (frozentumb.89@gmail.com).

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### White Fragility/Racial Book Discussion Group - July 7

The White Fragility/Racial book discussion group will meet to discuss the book "Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes What We See, Think, and Do" by Jennifer Eberhart. We will explore the author's research into implicit bias and her insights into fighting bias at a personal and institutional level. Join us in the UUFB RE Classroom July 7, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Newcomers welcome! Questions? Contact Ita Killeen at ikilleen@bridgegeoplan.com.



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### Men's Group - July 10

Men's Group will meet June 10 at the Fellowship Hall, 7:30 p.m. Attendees need to bring an appetizer, side dish, dessert, and/or something to drink. All UUFB men are invited and encouraged to join the group. You can count on good food, good conversation, and great camaraderie. Please notify Jack Day at jhoodday@gmail.com, if you plan to attend.

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### RE Organizing Party - July 13

Now that we have these beautiful cabinets in the hallway, (thank you Barbara!) & with more coming for the back hallway, it's time to sort through the RE materials & store them in an accessible & orderly way. Please join me for a couple of hours on Saturday, July 13th at 9 am for an RE work party. Bring your favorite music too... As we all know, many hands make light work! To volunteer, contact Marie Lynn at cre@uufbozeman.org.

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### 2nd Sunday Offering to Eagle Mount - July 14

The Social Justice Action Committee has specified that on Sunday, July 14th, the offering will go to Eagle Mount. Please make any checks out to UUFB, & write "Eagle Mount" in the memo line.

Eagle Mount Bozeman is committed to providing quality therapeutic recreational opportunities for people with disabilities and young people with cancer, and to providing support for families of participants so that "they shall mount up with wings as eagles."

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### Women's Group - July 17

The July Women's Group will be held on Wednesday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. The topic for discussion will be "Our Role in Supporting Native American Women" and Paula Milano will serve as host. As a participant, please bring a hot dish, side dish, salad, dessert or bread. Tea and juice will be provided but additional beverages are welcome. If for some reason you cannot bring a dish to the potluck, please come anyway. Your presence is what's important. The group provides a fine opportunity to get to know other women in the Fellowship. For more information contact Jorie Hanson at joriejune@gmail.com or 925-286-1498.





## Upcoming Events

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### Public Forum: "Forging Better Relationships with Our Local Native American Friends and Neighbors" - July 18

After the showing of the film, "Two Rivers," in mid-May, there was a groundswell of interest expressed in deepening cross-cultural understanding and respect in Bozeman, Gallatin County, and across Montana. With those goals in mind, the UUFB Social Justice Action Committee agreed to host this gathering open to all interested UUFB Members, friends, and the general public. There will be an opening presentation by Ms. Meg Singer (Navajo), Indigenous Justice Program Manager and a colleague from the ACLU/Montana followed by a wide-ranging informal discussion. Hopefully, some possible follow-on steps will also be identified to sustain and deepen the dialogue and work to build improved relations. Contact Bill Goold ([j.william.goold@gmail.com](mailto:j.william.goold@gmail.com)).

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### Food Bank Sunday - July 21

Non-perishable food donations and toiletries for the Gallatin Valley Food Bank will be collected at the UUFB service on July 21. For more information about donating to the Food Bank, please contact Norm Eggert ([jandneggert@gmail.com](mailto:jandneggert@gmail.com)).

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### Blair Sing-Along - July 23

Join as Tonya Stevens & Adrienne Wallace host a Jane Blair & family sing-along! Meet in the UUFB social hall at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23rd. Bring a snack to share, if you would like! Jane Blair & her son David will be leading the singing.



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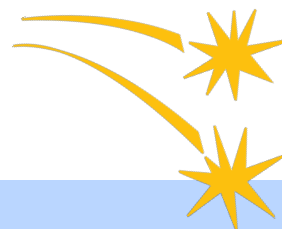
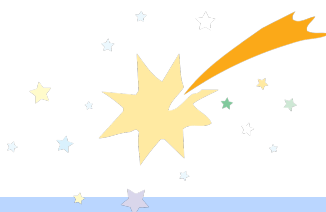
### Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed - July 25

We need 3-4 volunteers from UUFB for dinner service on July 25 at Fork and Spoon, 4:30-7:30 p.m. If you can volunteer, please sign up on the volunteer board. For more information, please contact Randy Babbitt ([wrbabbitt@gmail.com](mailto:wrbabbitt@gmail.com)).

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### Glass Recycling - July 28

On the 4th Sunday of each month, UUFB has a **glass recycling service** for our members. Please bring your RINSED unbroken glass containers for recycling. Also, please bring a cash donation to help cover cost, \$.15 per pound. Glass will be collected in the parking lot before and after the service with someone to help you. Questions? Want to help? Contact Robyn Lauster ([robynkcl@gmail.com](mailto:robynkcl@gmail.com)) or Carolyn Widman ([widmanc@vt.edu](mailto:widmanc@vt.edu)).





## 2019-2020 Board Members

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## Committees/Task Force Leaders/Contacts

- Adult Religious Exploration: Neil Schwarzwald, Contact
- Building & Grounds Committee: Carolyn Boyd, Contact
- Building Use Committee: Open
- Caregivers Support Group: Jennifer Haukebo, Contact
- Caring Committee, Meals, Rides: Open
- Committee on Ministry: Elizabeth Rose, Contact
- Communications Committee: Peg Wherry, Convener
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- Kitchen/Bath Supplier: Suzy Sterling, Contact
- Librarian: Open
- Lifespan Religious Exploration: Jack Day & Ita Killeen, Chairs
- Men's Group: Jack Day, Contact
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- Personnel Committee: Dick Young, Contact
- Program Council: Peg Wherry, Contact
- Safety Task Force Committee: Marie Lynn, Contact
- Social Activities: Bonnie Andes, Chair
- Social Justice/Action Committee: Jesse Eide, Chair
- Sunday Services Committee: Jan Young, Chair
- Women's Group: Jorie Hanson, Contact

## Spiritual Pluralism Group Leaders

- UU Buddhist Group: Warren Knipfer, Contact
- UU Humanist Group: Sara Williams, Contact
- UU Mysticism Group: Sherrill Dolezilek & Elizabeth Rose, Contacts

## UUFB Online

The UUFB maintains several online resources. An email list has been established in order to communicate announcements and events of interest to the UUFB. To make an announcement to the group, please send an email to: [uufb@yahoogroups.com](mailto:uufb@yahoogroups.com) (you must be subscribed to the list in order to send mail to the list). Mail sent to this address will be delivered to all members of the list, and will also be archived. This is not an appropriate forum for political commentary or jokes, so please use discretion when sending email to this address.

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In addition to the email group, you can sign up to receive our weekly emails with announcements about upcoming services and UUFB related events by visiting our website at [uufbozeman.org](http://uufbozeman.org) and filling out the subscription form at the bottom of the UUFB Home page.

The UUFB Newsletter is published monthly. The deadline to submit articles is the third Thursday of the month. Announcements & news for the Sunday Service bulletin and Friday e-news are due in by 9 a.m. every Tuesday. Articles, announcements & news can be submitted to our Office Administrator at [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org).



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