



Upcoming Sunday Services

March 1, 2020 • "Developing Personal Wisdom" • Rev. Duffy Peet

Wisdom is a virtue that is lifted up in stories ancient and new. Frequently in such stories there is a character that seems to possess and share wisdom that is profound. Most, if not all of us, would like to be wise. Might there be ways for each of us to develop wisdom that we can live by and share with those we encounter?

March 8, 2020 • "Crazy Wisdom" by Rev. Victoria Safford • Read by: Neil Gregersen

Join us as Lay Presenter Neil Gregersen reads "Crazy Wisdom," a sermon by Rev. Victoria Safford of White Bear Unitarian Universalist Church in Mahtomedi, MN. Belief is so often a matter of what we think, what we think we know, but believing and belonging are about how we hold this world and know ourselves to be held within it. It's a matter of perspective, and reverence. - Rev. Victoria Safford, "Crazy Wisdom"

March 15, 2020 • "Ways to Wisdom" • Rev. Duffy Peet

In our world today one commonly accepted path to wisdom is through seeking knowledge, especially scholarly knowledge. But like most things in life, there are multiple paths that lead to wisdom. What alternative paths might we turn to or try out in our own journeys of life and learning?

March 22, 2020 • "A Ritual to Read to Each Other" • Lay Presenter: Peg Wherry

This will be our occasional service "A Ritual to Read to Each Other," in which members and friends are invited to bring a short poem to share with the congregation in place of the week's sermon.

March 29, 2020 • "Social Justice in Troubled Times" • Social Justice Action Committee

Join us as the Social Justice Action Committee discusses the Congregation's commitment to social justice. We will hear personal testimonies from various people regarding their involvement with Fork and Spoon, Family Promise, and other projects. During the service, congregants will have the opportunity to express what social justice issues they would like to see UUFB pursue in the next year or so. If you would like to share your personal experiences with social justice, please contact Janet Lewis, Cathy Cooper, Ita Killeen, or Barbara Tylka (March 29 Service Planning Committee).



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Minister Musings

~ Rev. Duffy Peet
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As I write this article in the final days of February the snow is falling outside my window. Last month I wrote about the unseasonably high temperatures during January and the low snowpack in the valley. What a difference a month can make. We now have ample snowpack and the temperatures have been more seasonal. As February draws to a close and March approaches, I find myself thinking about spring and looking forward to the equinox that will occur on March 19th.

You might wonder what has me thinking of spring in the midst of a February snowstorm. As I sit watching the snow I feel concern for the daffodil sprouts at the front of the church which I noticed as I was greeting people coming to the February 23rd service on resilience. The snow has me wondering how resilient the new sprouts will be. I imagine they will be completely covered by the accumulating snow. I also think about some of what I shared during that service. Resilience is something that is needed during challenging or difficult times. Spring can be such a time. Spring is a season of promise and often also of challenge and difficulty. The new sprouts clearly recognize the promise as they reach toward the life-giving sun. They also face the challenge of the elements, such as the snow that is currently falling.

As March and spring approach, I am also thinking about both the promise and the challenges that are present for our Fellowship. Many of you have likely noticed that there are quite a few new faces on Sunday mornings. Like the daffodils at the front of our building, both our Sunday morning attendance and our membership have been growing. The Board has paid attention to the growth we have been experiencing. They also realized that unless appropriate planning was done, we could soon find ourselves having difficulty adequately accommodating the numbers of people who want to attend our services. We recently came very close to having that occur. At the January 26th service we were nearly at the building capacity limit of 162 set by the City of Bozeman. We would have gone over that limit had just ten more people showed up for the service that morning. And for January and February our average attendance has been such that the sanctuary has been 80% or more full for six out of the eight Sundays. The Board exhibited important foresight last year when it established a task force to consider how we might address both the promise of our increasing numbers as well as the challenges those numbers pose.

The Two Services Task Force has recently submitted a report to the Board. Their report contains options which would be important for us to consider. As the name of the task force implies, one of those options would be for the Fellowship to begin holding two services. This is something that was done when we first moved into the building prior to the remodel. Now, just four years later, we are again looking seriously at the possibility of two services. I have heard people express concerns about taking such a step. Doing so would involve significant changes and would hold challenges. My hope is that we, like the daffodil sprouts poking through the ground, can find it within ourselves to focus first and foremost on the promise that the changing season and our increasing numbers offer. And that we can be resilient in dealing with the challenges that will certainly lie before us. As spring approaches, I am grateful for the promise of new growth and the new life that will come with it.

Religious Exploration Corner



A Wise Old Owl

A wise old owl lived in an oak.
The more he saw the less he spoke.
The less he spoke the more he heard.
Why can't we all be like that wise old bird?



In RE class this month we will be exploring the theme Wisdom and learning about all the expected and unexpected places where wisdom shows itself. We will read stories, listen to song lyrics, find poems, observe nature, and check in with our bodies. We will practice slowing down to observe our surroundings and wonder about the difference between wisdom and facts.

Sunday, March 1st - Wisdom of Simplicity

Celebrating the wisdom that arises when we clear our minds and enjoy the simple things. This also happens to be the National Day of Unplugging.

Sunday, March 8th - Wisdom of Children

Remembering that innocence invites wisdom. Celebrate Holi (Hindu Festival of Colors).

Sunday, March 15th - Wisdom of Stories

Remembering that stories teach us (and help us remember) how to live a well lived life.

Sunday, March 22nd - Wisdom of Our UU Sources

Remembering the sources of our living tradition.

Sunday, March 29th - Wisdom of Our Bodies

Remembering that our body often knows things before our mind does.



Continuing the Conversation:

If you are interested in connecting the church themes to your family life, check out Soulful Home -- <https://tinyurl.com/soulful-home>

Here are a few starter questions for the dinner table:

1. Which animals do you think of as wise, and which do you think of as foolish? Why do you think you have those ideas?
2. How can you tell good advice from bad advice (in other words, what's wisdom, and what's not)?
3. Is it ever wise to admit that you don't know something?
4. In what way are you wiser now than you were a year ago?



Religious Exploration Volunteer Information



Thank you to everyone who has signed up to volunteer in 2020! We have had a wonderful response and have over 20 people signed up to help out. This is great news as it allows us to continue to expand our program and split the children up into two age-based classes. If you haven't signed up yet but are still interested, please join us! As they say, more hands make light work.

For folks already signed up (or interested in doing so), there will be two orientation sessions: one **Sunday, March 1st** and another **Sunday, March 8th** both from 11:10-11:30 a.m. Please try to attend **one** of these sessions. If you cannot make either date, please contact Beth, cre@uufbozeman.org, to set up an alternate time.

Also, I want to thank Amanda Carter who helped out in the RE classroom each Sunday in February! I am super grateful for her commitment to the whole month as it allowed me time to focus on organizing some longer-range projects. Amanda recently wrote a little note to the congregation about her experience:

For those of you who are retired teachers, or grandparents who are missing your grands because they don't live here, working with our children in RE can be a delightful experience.

The children's curriculum follows our theme, so in Feb. we talked about resilience. They shared when they had had a hard time doing/learning something. They do Joys & Concerns and then have an activity. The kids share materials with each other and help clean up at the end of class.

The best part is that Beth Witte, our RE coordinator, plans the whole thing! She sends you the lesson and then you can choose how you want to participate. I read the story each week, and the Book With No Pictures was a big hit.

I chose to do every Sunday in Feb. so I would get to know the children and they now know me. But if one Sunday a month is your preference, I'm sure that will work too. Our children are our future, so please invest in them!

Amanda Cater



Board Report

~ Tonya Stevens, UUFB Board President
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Board Highlights for February 2020

The UUFB Board had a full agenda in February. Here are the main items we reviewed:

NEW UUFB VISION DRAFT

First drafts and discussion of our 2020 Vision Statement were brought to the February Board meeting by Neil Gregersen and Jack Fisher of the Vision Task Force (which also includes Mariah Rundberg and Andrew Kestley). We are amazed and grateful that UUFB is home to such considerate and talented individuals who have studied and distilled a ton of survey data to a few paragraphs identifying our hopes and dreams. Round two will be coming in March, then we hope to have a Vision statement for the congregation to vote on by the Annual Meeting on May 17th.

TWO SERVICES TASK FORCE FIRST REPORT

Have you noticed the popularity of many Sunday Services? So have we! Last spring a task force was formed to address the increase in attendance on Sundays, sometimes to the point that parking is an issue as is chair space in the Sanctuary. Representatives from the committees whose personnel would be most affected if UUFB were to begin to offer two services per week make up this group: Sunday Services Committee, Lifespan Religious Exploration (LRE), Hospitality and Membership, and the Committee on Ministry. They sent their draft report to the Board in February and are currently working on incorporating Board comments into their final recommendations. Early advice includes forming two new groups: one to work strictly on our parking situation and one who will provide coffee/cleanup so Hospitality members may spend time with newcomers instead of being in the kitchen.

INTERIOR DESIGN – AUDIO/VISUAL

Paul McVey (Board Member-at-Large) and Mike Clark continue to work with Poindexter's on supplying hearing assistive devices at UUFB. The Board has also asked the company provide an estimate for **video cameras** to be mounted alongside the current projector. We are contemplating the use of these to provide a livestream of our service and/or broaden our service into the Social Hall and project video and audio in there to accommodate more people.

Mike Clark remains busy enhancing the lighting in the back of the Sanctuary by replacing bulbs with brighter LEDs. He will be needing volunteers to help him with this task.

EXTERIOR DESIGN

The Board voted to accept the Social Justice Action Committee's proposal for a flagpole in front of UUFB to be erected as soon as weather is good. Thanks to Kitty Donich for researching/writing the proposal.

PERSONNEL

The former Coordinator of Religious Exploration (CRE) Search Committee has agreed to become the Search Committee for the Religious Exploration (RE) teacher. Beth Witte, CRE, is working with Rev. Duffy on RE teacher duties and will be meeting with the Search Committee once those details are hammered out. The Board along with LREC continues to work on how we will hire childcare providers to be available for events and meetings.

LEGACY PLANNING WORKSHOP

A big thank-you goes to Peg Wherry for arranging a free Legacy Planning Workshop for interested UUFB members! This workshop was given by Marsha Goetting of the MSU Extension Office on February 22nd in the UUFB Social Hall. Dr. Goetting held a group of 24 people in rapt attention for 3 hours on a Saturday morning, entertaining us even while she made devastatingly clear that everyone needs to make sure their affairs are in order before they die.

Upcoming Events



Religious Education Volunteer Orientation Sessions - March 1, March 8

There will be two orientation sessions for people interested in volunteering with the RE program. One **Sunday, March 1st** and another **Sunday, March 8th** both from 11:10-11:30 a.m. If you have signed up to volunteer or if you are interested in learning more, please try to attend one of these sessions. If you cannot make either date, please contact Beth (cre@uufbozeman.org) to set up an alternate time.



Support Group for Caregivers - March 3

The next Support Group for Caregivers meeting will be held in the UUFB Classroom on Tuesday, March 3, at 10:30 a.m. If you have questions, contact Carolyn Boyd (boyd.berg@msn.com).



Talking with Neighbors: Gene Editing and Ethics – March 4

Talking with Neighbors is an interfaith forum that meets from 12-1 at Resurrection University Catholic Parish (1725 S. 11th Ave in Bozeman). Bring a sack lunch and join in on the discussion! Regular panel participants include Rabbi Ed Stafman, Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom, Dr. Ruhul Amin and Shadmani Amin representing the Islam faith, Rev. Dr. Jody McDevitt, Co-Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, and Fr. Leo Proxell, Pastor of Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Dr. Kristen Intemann, Professor of Philosophy at MSU, will raise critical questions of science, technology, and ethics for the panel's response. Also joining in this discussion is panelist Rev. Duffy Peet of UUFB. For more information, please contact Resurrection University Catholic Parish: resurrectionbozeman.org.



2nd Sunday of the Month Offering to Mountain Shadow Association – March 8

The Social Justice Action Committee has specified that the March 8th offering will go to the Mountain Shadow Association (MSA). Please make any checks out to UUFB, and write "MSA" in the memo line.

Mountain Shadow Association (MSA) is a Lodge Grass community-based non-profit focused on repairing and restoring relationships between children and their parents, citizens and their community, families and their culture, individuals and their environment. Their mission is to support their citizens through their own healing, as members of the larger community family, until EVERY Apsaalooke child is raised in a home of abundant peace and well-being.



Soup & Bread Luncheon - March 8

Join us for a Soup & Bread Luncheon after service on Sunday, March 8th. Please sign up to bring soup, salad or bread for the luncheon and to help with set-up & clean up. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Social Hall. If you can help set up before the service, around 9:15 a.m., that would be wonderful. Last time everyone setting up was in their 60s or 70s and it was very hard to do. All of your help makes it possible to have fun functions! Questions? Contact Bonnie Andes (bonnieandes@gmail.com).

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MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group – March 11

The Men's Group will meet Wednesday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the UUFB Social Hall. All men are encouraged and invited to attend. Please bring a snack, dessert, and/or something to drink for all to share. This is now an after dinner gathering. Hope to see you there. Any questions contact Jack Day (jhoodday@gmail.com).



Food Bank Sunday – March 15

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



Orientation to UUFB & Unitarian Universalism – March 15

If you are considering becoming a member of the UUFB or would just like to learn more about this Fellowship and the Unitarian Universalist Association, we encourage you to attend an Orientation Session at 11:30 a.m., following the service on March 15. If you would need child care in order to attend or have questions, please contact Susan Backer (backersu100@gmail.com).



Women's Group – March 18

The next Women's Group meeting will be held on Wed., March 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the UUFB Social Hall. The topic for discussion will be based on the March theme - wisdom. As a participant, please bring a hot dish, side dish, salad, dessert or bread. Tea and juice will be provided. Additional beverages are welcome. The group provides an excellent opportunity to get to know other women in the Fellowship. For more information contact Beth D'Atri (loveplants6@gmail.com).



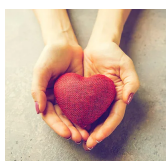
Glass Recycling - Volunteer Needed!

We need a volunteer or two for the March Glass Recycle on March 22 since Carolyn & Richard will be out of town. Contact Carolyn Widman (widmanc@vt.edu) to help!



Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed – March 26

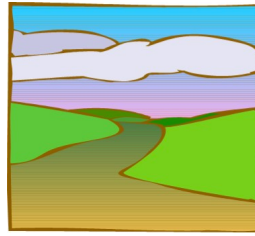
We need 3-4 volunteers from UUFB for dinner service on Thursday, March 26 at Fork and Spoon, 4:30-7:30 p.m. If you can volunteer, please sign up on the volunteer board. For more information, please contact Randy Babbitt (wrbabbitt@gmail.com).



5th Sunday of the Month Offering – March 29

At the request of the Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC), the Board voted to dedicate all 5th Sunday Offerings for crisis or disaster relief (hurricanes, fires, earthquakes, etc). The SJAC requests that the offering for this upcoming 5th Sunday, March 29th, be saved and pooled with additional 5th Sunday funds. The combined funds will be used to assist a future crisis or disaster. Please make any checks out to UUFB, and write "5th Sunday" in the memo line to contribute to this fund.

Path to UUFB Membership



To become a member of the UUFB we ask that you attend an Orientation session (one is being held after service on March 15th), or if that isn't possible, to meet with either the minister or a member of the Hospitality/Membership Committee. If you decide after the orientation session to become a member, let one of us know, and we'll contact you with information about the upcoming Welcoming Ceremony which be held on April 5th.

At the Welcoming Ceremony, you will sign the official Membership Book (not to be confused with the Guest Book on the Greeters table in the foyer) and take part in the very short welcoming ceremony with others who are joining. Some folks choose not to participate in the ceremony and simply sign the Membership Book. That is just fine. We time the Welcoming Ceremony so that you will have been a member for thirty days before the next annual meeting (May 17th) so that you will be able to vote.

If you have been a member of another UU church or fellowship, simply talk to Rev. Duffy and he will have you sign the Membership Book.

Susan Backer for the Hospitality/Membership Committee: Robyn Lauster, Kitty Donich, Mariah Rundberg, Darla Timmons, Paula Nielsen, Tonya Stevens, Board Liason



Foreign Policy Discussion Group

Lifespan Religious Education (LRE) is offering an Adult Education discussion on foreign affairs. Meetings will be held every Tuesday evening in March from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the UUFB Classroom. We will use materials from The Great Decisions program offered by the Foreign Policy Association (FPA). Topics of future weekly sessions are India and Pakistan, Red Sea Security, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle, China's Road into Latin America, the Philippines, and the U.S., Artificial Intelligence and Data. If you would like to participate, please contact Neil Schwarzwaldner (neil.nas@att.net).



Upcoming Events

- 3/1 RE Volunteer Orientation
- 3/3 Support Group for Caregivers
- 3/3 Foreign Policy Discussion Group
- 3/4 Talking with Neighbors
- 3/8 2nd Sunday Offering to MSA
- 3/8 RE Volunteer Orientation
- 3/8 Soup & Bread Potluck
- 3/10 Foreign Policy Discussion Group
- 3/11 Men's Group
- 3/15 Food Bank Sunday
- 3/15 New Member Orientation
- 3/17 Foreign Policy Discussion Group
- 3/18 Women's Group
- 3/22 Glass Recycling (tentative)
- 3/23 Humanist Group
- 3/24 Foreign Policy Discussion Group
- 3/26 Buddhist Group
- 3/26 Fork & Spoon
- 3/29 5th Sunday Offering
- 3/31 Foreign Policy Discussion Group





UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND | JUNE 24–28, 2020

Visit [uua.org/ga](https://www.uua.org/ga) for information on Programming, Registration, Housing, and Financial Aid

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General Assembly is the annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists, where we conduct business of the Association, explore the theological underpinnings of our faith, and lean fully into our mission and principles. Over a 5-day immersive experience, we participate in inspirational worship services and informative workshops, reconvene with friends and colleagues, and explore our bustling exhibit hall. GA is an unforgettable experience for the thousands of UUs who attend. Meet us in Providence and you'll leave with renewed energy and innovative ideas to share with your congregation and community-at-large!

DATES

Wednesday, June 24 through Sunday, June 28, 2020

PROVIDENCE: THE CREATIVE CAPITAL

Providence combines the accessibility and friendliness of a small town with the culture and sophistication of a big city. With a thriving arts community, vibrant and diverse neighborhoods, outstanding hotels, a renowned restaurant scene, and so many things to do, Providence welcomes all Unitarian Universalists for GA 2020!

GETTING THERE

Easily accessed via Interstate 95, Providence is a 50-minute drive from Boston and a three hour drive from New York City. Warwick Green Airport (PVD) is a 10-minute drive from Providence and offers an average of 100 nonstop daily flights, intercity bus transportation, and connection to commuter rail service. Boston Logan Airport (BOS) is located less than 50 miles from Providence. Bus service is available directly from Logan to downtown Providence; and Amtrak and commuter rail service are available from downtown Boston.

REGISTRATION

Early Bird Registration is open at [uua.org/ga](https://www.uua.org/ga) through March 15. Full-time registration rates are \$400 for adults, \$250 for high school youth and retired and candidate ministers, or \$150 for off-site participants. **NEW! Registration Payment Plan:** pay as little as \$50 down, and then as often as you'd like until February 29, 2020, when final payment is due.

GA THEME: ROOTED, INSPIRED, & READY!

The theme for General Assembly is **Rooted, Inspired, & Ready!** We are in touch with our theological roots, we are engaged in transforming our faith and we are fired up to take action in the wider world.

HOUSING

In addition to a variety of nearby hotels, attendees will also be able to book dormitory-style accommodations at local universities. And UUs from local congregations will serve as host families for Home Hospitality, which is B&B style accommodations. Make your hotel reservation at [uua.org/ga](https://www.uua.org/ga) beginning March 2.

FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE

The UUA is committed to the goal of making GA accessible to as many attendees as possible. Go to [uua.org/ga](https://www.uua.org/ga) to learn about scholarships - particularly for those from marginalized groups - and volunteer opportunities (work in exchange for registration).

EXCELLENT PROGRAMMING

GA will offer more than 100 outstanding programming selections. Workshops, panel discussions, worship services, and other presentations will provide attendees with concrete and usable tools to further the work, and the balance needed to explore multiple identity-based and theological perspectives. More details are available at [uua.org/ga](https://www.uua.org/ga).

WORSHIP AT GA

Like Unitarian Universalism, GA offers a wealth of theological diversity. A variety of worship choices are offered throughout GA. The **Service of the Living Tradition** is where we commemorate fellowshipped and credentialed religious leaders, those who have died, those who have completed active service, and welcome those who have received fellowship or credentialed status in the past year. **Sunday Morning Worship** at GA is a powerful, communal experience and is the largest annual gathering of UUs in Worship.

For more information, visit <https://www.uua.org/ga>



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WARE LECTURE

Each year a distinguished guest speaker is invited to address the General Assembly as the Ware Lecturer. Recent lecturers have included Bryan Stevenson, Cornel West, and Maria Hinojosa. The 2020 Ware Lecturer will be announced soon.

EXHIBIT HALL

The Exhibit Hall features exhibits and sales by UU-related organizations, individual UU artisans, and a variety of other organizations and vendors. The Exhibit Hall is also a space for networking and dining. Interested in being an exhibitor? Go to uua.org/ga/exhibit for information.

BE A DELEGATE

The votes that GA delegates cast have a huge impact on Unitarian Universalism. They determine our elected leaders, amend the bylaws and rules that govern our Association, and shape the justice work that we do as a movement. If you are interested in serving as a delegate from your congregation, talk to your minister or your congregation's governing body.

ACCESSIBILITY

The UUA is committed to addressing the inclusion of all people, whatever their abilities might be, in all GA activities. Beyond the physical accessibility of the facilities we use—ramps, captioning, seating cut-outs, etc.—we endeavor to take the next step: to truly welcome people with disabilities into every facet of GA.

CHILDREN

All children are welcome to attend GA events with their parents or guardians. Children who have not yet entered high school (or its equivalent) are welcome to attend GA events with their parents or guardians at no cost, but are still required to register. For parents who need child care, Children's Programs are available Thursday, Friday and Saturday during GA. Register for Children's Programs by May 28 at uua.org/ga.

YOUTH

Attending the annual General Assembly as a high school aged youth (grades 9-12 in the preceding school year, or the equivalent for home-schooled youth) is an incredible experience. Not only do you get to worship, witness, learn and connect in a multigenerational continental community, you can get to know hundreds of other youth and participate in making an impact on the Association through the democratic process.

VOLUNTEER

Would you like to serve as a GA volunteer? Fully funded GA registration is provided in exchange for volunteer work at GA (18 hours for adults, 10 hours for youth grades 9-12). Positions are available for accessibility services, registration, ushering, greeters, information services, recycling, and more! Applications are accepted March 1 - March 31.

OFFSITE PARTICIPATION

Technology provides opportunities to connect on-site participants with those who cannot attend in person. GA is transforming into a hybrid meeting—incorporating off-site delegate participation, live-streaming of events, and social media to create an interactive experience for on-site and remote attendees.

Off-site registrants are able to watch and ask questions in live sessions, including select workshops and business sessions. Off-site Voting Delegates are also able to propose amendments in the live business sessions, participate in debates, and vote in general sessions.

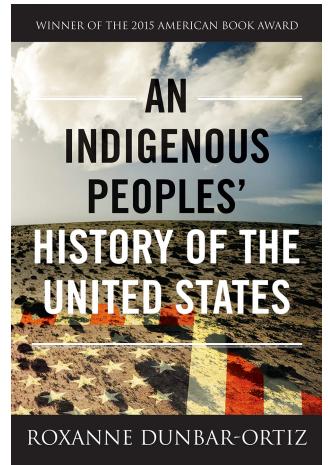
FAITHIFY GA SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGNS

FAITHIFY has a proven record of helping people get to General Assembly. Crowdfunding is a democratic, grass roots, and increasingly common tool to fund GA travel and registration expenses. When we contribute to a GA scholarship campaign, we welcome more people to be full participants in the largest gathering of our faith community. Get inspired at FAITHIFY.org.

For more information, visit <https://www.uua.org/ga>

Common Book Read: *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States*

The Common Read Selection Committee of the UUA is pleased to announce that *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States* by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz (Beacon Press, 2015) and *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States for Young People* adapted by Jean Mendoza and Debbie Reese (Beacon Press, 2019) are the new Common Read. Bill Goold and Sandy Kindt will be offering to UUFB friends and members the opportunity to read and discuss these books. The group will meet for three 90-minute sessions. The dates will be Sunday, April 5th, 19th & 26th from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at UUFB. You may read either book and be able to participate in these discussions. The entire book needs to be read by the first session. The books may be purchased at local bookstores or the UUA bookstore. Childcare will be provided on each date if reserved ahead of time. There are two more spots available so if you are interested in signing up, please email Bill Goold (j.william.goold@gmail.com) or Sandy Kindt (sandy.kindt@gmail.com).



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. All are welcome! The next meeting will be at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26th in the UUFB Classroom. For more information, contact Paul McVey (mcveywp@aol.com).

UU Humanist Group - The UU Humanist Group explores Humanism and its role in Unitarian Universalism. The next meeting will be held Monday, March 23rd, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the UUFB large conference table. For more information, please contact Sara Williams (sawilliams6@gmail.com).



UUFB Choir

Did you know that UUFB has a Choir? For more information, contact Hannah Anderson, UUFB Choir Director (hannahprociv@gmail.com)



The QACC Box is for you!

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



2019-2020 Board Members

- President: Tonya Stevens
- Vice President: Peg Wherry
- Past President: n/a
- Secretary: Lee McGill
- Treasurer: Janine Roberts
- Member-at-Large: Paul McVey
- Member-at-Large: Tam Miller
- Member-at-Large: Leona Poritz

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@googlegroups.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.

To subscribe send an email to admin@uufbozeman.org requesting to join.

To unsubscribe: uufb+unsubscribe@googlegroups.com

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 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.

Committees/Task Force Leaders/Contacts

- Adult Religious Exploration: Neil Schwarzwald, Contact
- Building & Grounds Committee: Carolyn Boyd, Contact
- Building Use Committee: Open
- Caregivers Support Group: Carolyn Boyd, Contact
- Caring Committee, Meals, Rides: Open
- Committee on Ministry: Elizabeth Rose, Contact
- Communications Committee: Peg Wherry, Convener
- Environmental Action Group: Ita Killeen, Chair
- Family Promise Task Force: Tonya Stevens, Chair
- Finance Committee: Bruce DePriester, Chair
- Food Bank: Norm Eggert, Contact
- Fork & Spoon: Randy Babbitt, Chair
- Fundraising: Janet Lewis, Contact
- Governance/Leadership: Pam Poon, Contact
- Historian: Susan Backer, Chair
- Hospitality/Membership: Susan Backer, Contact
- Interior Design: Diane Knipfer & Jan Young, Contacts
- Investment Committee: Paul Stouffer, Chair
- Kitchen/Bath Supplier: Suzy Sterling, Contact
- Librarian: Open
- Lifespan Religious Exploration: Jack Day & Ita Killeen, Chairs
- Men's Group: Jack Day, Contact
- Our Whole Lives Interfaith Committee: Laura Mentch, Chair
- Personnel Committee: Open
- Program Council: Peg Wherry, Contact
- Safety Task Force Committee: Open
- Social Activities: Bonnie Andes, Chair
- Social Justice Action Committee: Open
- Stewardship: Peg Wherry, Chair
- Sunday Services Committee: Jan Young, Chair
- Women's Group: Darla Timmons, Contact
- Youth Group: Ita Killeen, Contact

Spiritual Pluralism Group Leaders

- UU Buddhist Group: Paul McVey, Contact
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