

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.*

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Bozeman

325 N. 25th Ave.
Bozeman, MT 59718-2688
Phone: 406-586-1368

Online Calendar: uufbozeman.org/events

Website: uufbozeman.org

Minister: Rev. Margo Rinehart minister@uufbozeman.org

Office Administrator: Christy Huddleston admin@uufbozeman.org

Coordinator of Religious Exploration: Beth Witte cre@uufbozeman.org

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.



“The Many Faces of Freedom”

Rabbi Ed Stafman

July 7, 2024



WE:

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

UUFB Mission Statement

“The Many Faces of Freedom”

July 7, 2024



Prelude

Greetings and Introduction

Peg Wherry, Lay Leader

Announcements

Greet Your Neighbor

Opening Words/Lighting of the Chalice

“Beacon of Freedom,” by Tracy Johnson

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 #148: “Let Freedom Span both East and West”

Story for All Ages: *What Do You Do With a Chance?*

Kobi Yamada (author), Mae Besom (illustrator)

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

Reading: “Liberation is Costly” by Bishop Desmond Tutu

Sermon: “The Many Faces of Freedom”

Rabbi Ed Stafman

Musical Meditation

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

Closing Hymn #119: “Once to Every Soul and Nation”

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice

Words by W. H. Auden

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:

Speaker: Rabbi Ed Stafman

Lay Leader: Peg Wherry

Pianist: Laurel Yost

Livestream Operator: Kitty Donich

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

July 14, 2024 • "Social Gospel" with Fellowship Members

Three members of the UUFB Sunday Service Committee (Carolyn Widman, Bruce Swarny, and Sandra Oldendorf) will lead a service on the social gospel, a movement that grew during the rapid industrialization of the U.S. in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Proponents were concerned about “triumphant capitalism,” and some progressive ministers prescribed a large dose of “practical Christianity” to right these wrongs and directly address the social needs of the masses. The presentation will include ideas from progressive ministers such as Rev. Henry Emerson Fosdick, pastor of New York’s Riverside Church in the 1930s and 40s, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and contemporary theologian Rev. William Barber.

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 UUFB seeks to be fully inclusive of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons.