

# UUFB Announcements

September 15, 2024



## **Food Bank Sunday – September 15**

Non-perishable food donations and toiletries for the Gallatin Valley Food Bank will be collected at this UUFB service. Please bring your items and a member will bring them to the food bank.

## **Leadership Council – September 15**

Leadership Council will meet on Sunday, September 15 at 11:20 a.m. in person and on Zoom following the service. Leadership Council is an opportunity for our fellowship leaders (committee chairs, board members, and our minister) to share information, make connections, and find ways to expand our shared ministry. All are welcome to attend.

## **RE Youth (6-12 grade) Fun-filled Evening with Games, Campfire, and S'mores - September 15**

Mark your calendars for Gallatin Valley Youth Events! These events are for youth in 6th through 12th grades. In collaboration with UUFB, Hope Lutheran, and others in Bozeman, every third Sunday of the month from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. are fantastic gatherings just for youth! And guess what? Dinner is on us!

The first event will take place on September 15th at Hope Lutheran (2152 Graf St, Bozeman, MT 59718) for an evening of fun-filled activities! Get ready for games, a cozy campfire, and everyone's favorite treat - s'mores!

## **Leadership Call: Seeking Vice-President for UUFB Board!**

**Commitment Needed:** It takes all of us to keep UUFB healthy and growing into our shared future—and that especially means leadership. We currently have a vacancy in the Vice-President/President-Elect slot on our Board. The sooner we fill this position, the more time that leader has to settle in and learn the role. One recent Board member said, when asked why they agreed to serve, said, “It seemed like it was my turn.” Is it *your* turn? If you are willing to step up, or if you can suggest someone who would be an effective leader, please contact Tonya Stevens, of our Leadership and Governance Committee, at [stevens\\_tonya@msn.com](mailto:stevens_tonya@msn.com).

## **Fall Minister Schedule and Pastoral Care Updates**

This fall, Rev. Margo is working primarily from Washington State but will be here in person, at UUFB September 13-22 and October 20-27th. At other times she has phone and virtual office hours each week: Sunday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. MDT. You can reach her at [minister@uufbozeman.org](mailto:minister@uufbozeman.org) or through the UUFB website. Voicemail can also be left at 406-586-1368 extension 1.

While Reverend Margo is in Washington, in person pastoral care is being provided by Reverend Roxy Klingensmith, who can be reached at 406.580.4748 or [julianofnorwich@msn.com](mailto:julianofnorwich@msn.com).

## **Open House with Rev. Margo – September 17 & 18**

Rev. Margo will be back in town from September 13th to 22nd and is inviting everyone to an open house at UUFB. She has missed seeing everyone in person and wants to offer a few opportunities to reconnect. During her time in Bozeman, she will be serving coffee or tea at the Fellowship on two occasions. These open house times are a chance for people to drop by, share what's on their minds, pass on ideas, ask questions, or simply bring their knitting, painting, or lunch and spend some time relaxing. Join her Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> 10-1 and again on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30. Other times are available by appointment.

## **Glass Recycling – September 22**

On the 4th Sunday of each month, UUFB has a glass recycling service for our members. There will be a

volunteer in our parking lot accepting clean glass in boxes or bags to recycle. If you wish to offer a small payment for gas and time, feel free! Thanks to Mattie W. for taking our glass recycling this month! Please do not leave the glass on other Sundays at the fellowship, as we have no room to store it.

### **Fairy Village Tour & Ice Cream Social – September 22**

Attention all Fairy Fans of all ages! The Social Activities Committee invites all Friends of the Fairies to come and tour the Bumblewood Fairy Village at Glen Lake Rotary Park (304 Gallatin Park Dr, Bozeman) on Sunday, September 22nd. We will gather at 1:00 p.m. at the East Entrance to Bumblewood and walk the approximately 1/2 mile loop to view the homes and businesses of Bumblewood Fairy Village. On the way back to the East Entrance, we will stop in the Fairy Grove for an ice cream treat. Your finest fairy attire is encouraged. The East Entrance to Bumblewood is on Boylan Road. A map will be sent on the Listserv. To be sure that we have enough treats, please RSVP to [dlknipfer@gmail.com](mailto:dlknipfer@gmail.com).

### **Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed – September 26**

2-3 Volunteers from UUFB are needed at Fork & Spoon from 4:30-7:30 p.m. **Please sign up at least a week before the scheduled date** by filling out the form located at [uufbozeman.org/fork-spoon](http://uufbozeman.org/fork-spoon). If you have questions, please contact Randy B.

### **5th Sunday Offering to Minister Discretionary Fund – September 29**

The Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC) has specified that this offering will go to the Minister Discretionary Fund (MDF). Donate online ([uufbozeman.org/donate](http://uufbozeman.org/donate)) and select “Give to 5th Sunday special offering” or write a check payable to UUFB with “MDF” in the memo line.

The Minister's Discretionary Fund allows our minister to provide confidential financial assistance to fellowship and community members in times of need. Your generous donations to this fund help us extend a caring hand to those facing unexpected hardships.

### **Chalice Circle – October 1**

The Chalice Circle group that formed last year is inviting new members to join for 2024-25. This is a lay-led group that meets at the Fellowship at **4:30-6:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month**. At each meeting, the group discusses the month's Soul Matters theme in depth. Resources from Soul Matters packets include discussion prompts, links to podcasts, readings, poetry, and more. Our first meeting **October 1** will focus on Deep Listening. Other themes this year include Repair, Presence, Story, and Inclusion. If you are interested in joining the group this fall, please contact Lisa B. to receive the materials (our Admin can provide contact information).

### **Men's Group – October 3**

All men are invited to join the UUFB Men's Group for their monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at UUFB. This is a great opportunity to connect with other men in the community, engage in meaningful discussions, and explore topics of shared interest. Whether you're a long-time member or new to the group, your presence and participation are valued. If you would like to be added to the Men's Group email list to stay informed about upcoming gatherings, please send a message to [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org).

### **Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Party Social Time – October 6**

Join us for the monthly birthday and anniversary social time after service! Everyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month will be the guests of honor. We need people to bring cupcakes to this event! Sign up at [uufbozeman.org/birthday](http://uufbozeman.org/birthday).

### **Board Meeting – October 8**

The UUFB Board meets at UUFB and on Zoom monthly on the second Tuesday at noon. If you are interested in attending a Board meeting, please let a Board member or Rev. Margo know.

## **2nd Sunday Offering to Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples – October 13**

The Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC) has specified that this offering will go to Friends Peace Teams and be designated for Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples. Donate online ([uufbozeman.org/donate](http://uufbozeman.org/donate)) and select “Give to 2nd Sunday charitable donation” or write a check payable to UUFB with “TRR” in the memo line.

What would right relationship among Native and non-Native peoples of North America look like? How can we begin to take steps in that direction in our communities, places of interest worship, schools, and other institutions? The Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples (TRR) program promotes education, reflection, dialogue, and action in response to these queries. The goal of the TRR program is to build relationships between Native and non-Native communities based on truth, respect, justice, and our shared humanity.

## **Candlelit Memorial Labyrinth Walk – October 27**

Please join us for an evening of outdoor meditation and reflection at the labyrinth by the library October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. We invite everyone to memorialize the loss of a loved one with a special luminaria. Memorial Luminaries kits are now available at UUFB. Feel free to decorate your luminary however you would like. Bring your decorated luminary to the labyrinth walk. The labyrinth is located just off the trail between the Bozeman Public Library and Peet's Hill.

## **Join the UUFB Hiking Group**

Would you like to be a part of our UUFB Hiking Group e-mail list? It's a great way to stay updated on our upcoming hikes and connect with fellow nature enthusiasts. If you're interested, simply reach out to Dick C. or email our Office Admin at [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org), and we'll make sure you're added to the list. Whether you're a seasoned hiker or just looking to enjoy the outdoors in good company, we welcome you to join us on our moderate hikes with a comfortable pace and fantastic camaraderie!

## **Join Our Choir!**

Join our choir led by Megan Makeever! All skill levels welcome. Connect, express, and spread joy through communal singing. Practices: 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of every month from 5:30-6:30 p.m., with performances at the last Sunday of the month. No choir during the summer months. Email [meganmakeever@gmail.com](mailto:meganmakeever@gmail.com) to join our e-mail list!

## **QACCs are here for you!**

Do you have any Questions, Appreciations, Comments, or Concerns (QACCs)? The Transitions Team eagerly awaits your input! You can conveniently submit your QACCs online at [uufbozeman.org/qacc](http://uufbozeman.org/qacc). Rest assured, the Transition Team diligently reviews submissions during their monthly meetings.

## **Smile Ambassadors Needed: Join Our Welcome Crew!**

UUFB's Hospitality/Membership Team is on the lookout for warm-hearted volunteers to help us roll out the red carpet. If you've got a knack for making newcomers feel at home and a passion for building connections, we want you! Join our Sunday morning crew and be the first smile people see when they walk through our doors. Ready to spread some joy and help our community grow? Email [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org) and become part of our welcoming wave!



**Adult Religious Education - Spiritual Pluralism Project Group**

Our Fellowship has a Spiritual Pluralism group. The 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.

***UU Humanist Group*** - The UU Humanist Group explores Humanism and its role in Unitarian Universalism. For more information and to find out when the next meeting is please contact Sara W. (contact our Office Admin at [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org) for her email).