As Unitarian Universalists we 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;
- o 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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"Where Do We Come From?" Sandy Kindt

September 29, 2024



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ACT FOR JUSTICE
FOSTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH
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NURTURE COMMUNITY
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Prelude: "Mother Nature" written and performed by Megan Makeever

Greetings and Introduction

Susan Backer, Lay Leader

Announcements

Greet Your Neighbor

Opening Words/Lighting of the Chalice: Words by Shari Woodbury

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 #309: "Earth Is Our Homeland"

Story for All Ages: We, the Curious Ones

Marion Dane Bauer (author), Hari & Deepti (illustrators)

Sing Children Out: "Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the spirit

of Love surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go."

Fifth Sunday Offering Introduction

Reading: "A Letter from the Universe to us" by Jennifer Morgan

Sermon: "Where Do We Come From?" with Sandy Kindt

Chant in between stories (from hymn #1003)

"What are we? Where are we going?"

"Mystery, mystery, life is a riddle and a mystery"

Song: "Earth Song" by Sharon Scholl (see insert)

UUFB Choir

Joys and Concerns

Musical Response #1002: "Comfort Me"

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

2nd verse: "Sing with me..." (2x)

Offering

Closing Hymn #1064: "Blue Boat Home" (teal hymnal)

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice: Words by Jennifer Morgan

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: Sandy Kindt

Lav Leader: Susan Backer

Musicians: Megan Makeever, Choir Director (guitar, piano, voice);

UUFB Choir

Livestream Operator: Kitty Donich

Flowers: May Vaughan

RE Staff: Beth Witte, Christine Wilcox & 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

October 6, 2024 • "Being Queer in Montana" with Kree Gullings and **Charlotte Berg**

Join us Sunday, October 6th for the service, "Being Queer in Montana," featuring Kree Gullings and Charlotte Berg. They will share their insights on what it means to be queer in our state and the importance of belonging within the queer community.

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.