

# UUFB Announcements

February 2, 2025



## February is Black History Month

This is a time to honor the achievements, resilience, and contributions of Black leaders, innovators, and trailblazers who have shaped history. Join us in celebrating, learning, and reflecting on the rich legacy of Black culture.

## Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Party Social Time – February 2

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).

## Family Sledding Party – February 2

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon at the Family Sledding Party on Sunday, February 2nd, at 1:00 p.m. at the sledding hill in Gallatin Regional Park! After about an hour of sledding, we'll gather for tailgate-style hot cider in the parking lot nearby. This event is open to everyone—parents are asked to supervise their children and bring their own sleds, tubes, or disks. To help us plan, please RSVP at [uufbozeman.org/sledding](http://uufbozeman.org/sledding). We can't wait to see you there!

## Women's Group Potluck – February 3

Join us Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6–8 p.m. for our next Women's Group! We'll enjoy a true potluck, so bring any dish you'd like to share—salads, desserts, or anything else, it's all part of the fun. During the meeting, we'll also decide on a regular day for future gatherings. Please RSVP at [uufbozeman.org/womens-group](http://uufbozeman.org/womens-group).

## Minister Schedule and Pastoral Care Updates

Rev. Margo is working primarily from Washington State but will be in Bozeman from February 9-16. At other times, she offers virtual office hours on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10-2 MST or by appointment. She can be reached via email at [minister@uufbozeman.org](mailto:minister@uufbozeman.org), through the UUFB website, or by leaving a voicemail at 406-586-1368, extension 1. While Rev. Margo is in Washington, in-person pastoral care is available through Rev. Roxy Klingensmith, who can be contacted at 406-580-4748 or [julianofnorwich@msn.com](mailto:julianofnorwich@msn.com).

## Men's Group – February 6

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 the Office Admin.

## Newcomers' Breakfast – February 9

The UUFB Hospitality and Membership Committee warmly invites you to the Newcomers' Breakfast on Sunday, February 9th, at 8:30 a.m. in the UUFB Social Hall. Whether you're new to our Fellowship or have been attending for a while and want to learn more about our beliefs and practices, this gathering is for you! Join Rev. Margo and others for an engaging hour of discussion about your spiritual journey to Unitarian Universalism, UU origins, and the many activities at UUFB. All who are curious are welcome, and childcare will

be provided. For questions, contact Tonya Stevens at [stevens\\_tonya@msn.com](mailto:stevens_tonya@msn.com) or 406-209-7592. We hope to see you there!

### **2nd Sunday Offering to Montana Free Press – February 9**

The Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC) has specified that this offering will go to Montana Free Press (MTFP). 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 “MTFP” in the memo line.

The Montana Free Press (MTFP) is an American non-profit news organization based in Helena. As an investigative journalism organization, it focuses on uncovering non-transparent bureaucratic processes and institutions. Their mission is to produce in-depth public-service journalism that creates positive change and helps move society toward justice and equity. They work independently and in collaboration with other news outlets to produce meaningful news stories that have an impact on the lives and livelihoods of local communities.

### **Calling All Lay Leaders! – February 9**

Veteran, rookie and wanna-be lay leaders: we'll gather February 9 after the service for a review of setup, putting together the script, working with guest speakers, and what's generally expected - and not expected - of lay leaders. We'll also discuss how you can use your creativity to help create the content of the services (encouraged but optional!). In our efforts to continually improve the quality of our services we have made several changes that we hope will be welcomed. We'd love to see anyone who is interested in learning about lay leading but is not sure whether they're ready. There will be snacks! For more information, please contact Lisa T. at [lisa.trankley@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.trankley@gmail.com).

### **Board Meeting – February 11**

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

### **Open House with Rev. Margo – February 12**

Stop by Rev. Margo's Open House on Wednesday, February 12, anytime between 3:00 and 5:30 p.m. The Open House is an opportunity to drop by, share what's going on in your life, and make suggestions for UUFB. It's a casual time where you're likely to run into friends or make new ones. Reverend Margo always appreciates your comments and updates.

### **Food Bank Sunday – February 16**

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.

### **Lantern Parade – February 22**

Join us for the Lantern Parade on February 22nd at 6:15 p.m. If you'd like to walk in the parade, you must be at least 5 years old, have a lantern, and register in advance by contacting Warren Knipfer at [rwkbozemant@gmail.com](mailto:rwkbozemant@gmail.com) with the names of participants. Children must be accompanied by a parent. Walkers should arrive at Bozeman Fire Station Number 3 (near Dinosaur Park) by 5:45 PM to line up. If you prefer to watch, head to Gallatin Regional Park well before 6:15 p.m., as large crowds are expected. Don't miss this exciting community event!

### **Glass Recycling – February 23**

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! ***We need a glass recycling volunteer! Sign up at [uufbozeman.org/glass-recycling](http://uufbozeman.org/glass-recycling)***. Please do not leave the glass on other Sundays at the fellowship, as we have no room to store it.

### **Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed – February 27**

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.

### **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!

### **We're Here to Hear Your QACCs!**

Have any Questions, Appreciations, Comments, or Concerns (QACCs) to share? The Committee on Shared Ministry values your input and is eager to hear from you! You can easily submit your QACCs online at [uufbozeman.org/qacc](http://uufbozeman.org/qacc) or drop them in the box with the yellow duck located in the social hall. All submissions are thoughtfully reviewed during the committee's monthly meetings.

### **Step Up, Lead, and Grow with Us**

Join our board as Vice-President and make a meaningful impact! This role offers the chance to develop leadership skills, build community connections, and inspire positive change. If you or someone you know would be a great fit, contact Tonya Stevens at [stevens\\_tonya@msn.com](mailto:stevens_tonya@msn.com). Let's explore what your leadership could bring to our community.

### **Join Our Hospitality Team and Help Create a Warm Welcome!**

Are you passionate about making people feel at home? The UUFB Hospitality and Membership Team is looking for enthusiastic, friendly volunteers to help us create a welcoming environment for everyone who walks through our doors. As a member of our Sunday morning team, you'll be the first face visitors see, greeting them with a warm smile and offering guidance to make them feel at ease. If you enjoy meeting new people and fostering a sense of connection, this is a great way to make a meaningful impact. Ready to help us build a community of belonging? Email us at [admin@uufbozeman.org](mailto:admin@uufbozeman.org) to learn more and get involved!



### **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).

