

JULY 2026

UUFb NEWS

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Bozeman

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

SUNDAY AT 10:00 A.M. MST
IN PERSON & LIVE ON YOUTUBE

July 5, 2026 • "Not So Wild A Dream, In Pursuit of a More Perfect Union" with Bill Goold

[Note: 'Not so wild a dream' is a phrase from the closing passage of Norman Corwin's radio play "On a Note of Triumph." Eric Severeid also borrowed it for the title of his autobiography.]

The service will focus on why the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, as amended, continue to be my North Star after 40+ years in public service at every level of government from the local to the international. Keep hope alive and be a guardrail yourself, as we work for a brighter future.

July 12, 2026 • "Unique and Universal" with Rev. Roxy Klingensmith

"That's what my experience was the first time walking into a Meeting. In a room full of people with radically different ages and backgrounds and life experiences from me, I was simply, merely, gloriously, belovedly, a person among persons. Whole in my brokenness. Just as worthy as anyone else. And because they saw me that way, it was easy to see them that way, too. None of us irredeemable. None of us perfect. All of us belonging to the family of humanity and invited into healing: loved back home to myself again." By David Schwartz

June 19, 2026 • "Physical Landscapes: Art and Science in the Work of Martyl" with Isaiah Bertagnolli

Now hanging at the Unitarian Church in Evanston, Illinois is a painting of the Big Bang. *Darkness Into Light* (1961) was painted by the artist Martyl Langsdorf (1917-2013). The mural was a spiritual-ecological statement about the human being's intrinsic connections to the universe when the threat of nuclear war loomed large. Martyl was keenly aware of the nuclear threat. Her husband was a Manhattan Project physicist. She served as the arts editor for the pro-disarmament public policy journal *The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, and designed their iconic Doomsday Clock in 1947. This presentation examines how Martyl painted physical phenomena like the Big Bang, particle wave duality, and planetary relativity to challenge the masculinist culture of the men who built the bomb. Isaiah Bertagnolli received his PhD in art history from the University of Pittsburgh in 2025. His research focuses on artist participation in nuclear disarmament movements. He has held research fellowships at the Mattress Factory Museum of Contemporary Art, the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Chicago, the Smithsonian American Art Museum, and has twice been a finalist (though rejected both times) from postdocs at Harvard.

July 26, 2026 • To Be Determined • Held at Bozeman Pond Park Pavilion (700 S Fowler Ave, Bozeman)

More information about this service will be announced soon. This service will be held in person only at Bozeman Pond Park Pavilion (700 S Fowler Ave, Bozeman). There will be no livestream.

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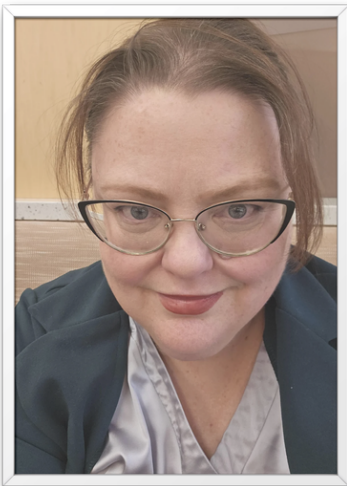
RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Hello Kindred Spirits!

Spring has past and now summer is officially here! We had quite the month in June learning about community. First, we engaged our imaginations as we dove into a role playing game called Amazing Tales and explored our UU values as the crew of a pirate ship. Then, Orlanda taught the children all about Juneteenth as they made flags out of popsicle sticks. The following week was the Summer Solstice, so we created our own crystal necklaces and charged them out in the sun on the longest day of the year. Lastly, we closed out the month talking about Pride month and the history of the stonewall riots.

This Summer is the Summer of Silliness in the classroom. Since silliness is so sacred to us, we will be taking it quite seriously this summer. Whether it be ridiculous games, crazy crafts or absurd activities, we will be exploring the value of silliness.

Blessings everyone, Asherah B.



Welcome Jasmine!

Jasmine A. is joining our staff as the Assistant Teacher taking Sheldon's position. Jasmine is an educator who has worked with every age group from preschool to college. She has a Master of Fine Arts in Writing from Fresno State University, and a master's degree in World Cultures/ Humanities from UC Merced. She is also a published poet, essayist and journalist. Her work focuses on spirituality, the natural world, social justice, working class life, and building community. This fall, she will be working at Cottonwood Day School with Special Needs students.



2024-2025 UUFB Annual Report

The 2024-2025 Annual Report is now available as a PDF on the UUFB website at <https://uufbozeman.org/annual-reports>

Many thanks to all committees for their thoughtful work over the past year and for submitting their reports so promptly. Your effort helps provide a clear and meaningful record of the life and work of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Bozeman community.

BOARD REPORT

The new Board has been hard at work these past weeks, and we're glad to share some of what we've accomplished.

A top priority was reconstituting our Committee on Shared Ministry (CSM), which had been dormant for roughly a year following the end of Rev. Margo's ministry. We're delighted to have seated three wonderful members whose terms began June 1: Rose T, who chaired the CSM under Rev. Margo and brings valuable continuity; Anna J, a member of our recent ministerial search committee; and Dick Y, a past president with deep knowledge of our community. Rev. Charlotte will serve as an ex officio member.

A great deal of Board energy has gone into preparing for our incoming minister, including confirming the Minister–Board start-up retreat for September 12. Sandra O, co-past president, has also convened a Welcome Team that will support Rev. Charlotte as they settle into Bozeman and help introduce them to our community.

At its June 18 meeting, the Board voted to approve an updated Personnel Manual, developed by the Personnel Committee (Peg W, Diane D, and Dick Y). We also approved new policies for credit card, Venmo, and PayPal payments, as well as checking-account handling, developed by the Finance Committee. These policies will continue to ensure proper oversight of the Fellowship's financial resources.

We're grateful for the chance to serve, and we welcome your questions any time.

Lisa B, President



“Spring Creek Community Garden” by Amanda Cater

Of course the garden and pond at the end of Fairway Drive is beautiful in all different seasons and I wanted to capture one of them.



Artist: Amanda Cater

Amanda Cater loves to paint outdoors. These pastel paintings were done from some original outdoor sketches and then finished in the studio. Most of them are places in Hyalite or Spanish Creek trails. Pastel is messy but so rewarding in the final versions.



Artist: Amanda Cater



"Elfin Queen" by Rose Toth

This mystical painting was inspired by Julie, my stepdaughter. As a child, Julie liked to dress up in magical shawls and jewelry and walk about like a queen of the forest. As time went on, this inspired me to paint some fantasy and mythical characters.



"Teslo Granary" by Rose Toth

I delight in painting landscapes with mountains, trees and rivers. When a friend gave me a photo of this incredibly stark and bold landscape, I was inspired to paint it. The Gallatin Valley was historically celebrated as "The granary of Montana" due to its massive wheat and pea production. Many icons like in this painting can still be seen throughout the Valley.



"Cottage in Wales" watercolor by Rose Toth

A delightful trip to Wales and England inspired this, and other whimsical architectural paintings. The "wonkiness" of the buildings reflect the ever-present lore of magic and mystery so prevalent in the UK.



Artist: Jim Gaffney

This is an oil painting that I did of Ted Turner's property. It is based on an on-site oil sketch done in the early morning at below freezing temperature which really made things difficult.



Artist: Jim Gaffney

Just before moving to Bozeman in 1998, Bunny and I did a three-day hike to Machu Picchu in Peru. During the hike, we ran across these three children. I really liked their colorful outfits and the way they cared for their lambs.



Artist: Rose Toth

This picture was a handmade card that Rose Toth sent to Warren when he had surgery a few years ago. Warren said that it reminds him of the little house where he lived when he went to Monforton school. We loved the painting and had it framed.



Artist: Diane Knipfer

This painting was done plein air by Diane Lacey before I became Diane L Knipfer. The location is somewhere north of Four Corners just off of Jackrabbit Lane. I don't think the old house exists anymore. A group of us who were art students at Bozeman Senior High spent the day with our oils creating paintings. At the end of the day, we all took our paintings to Ray Campeau's house (our art teacher), spread them out on the lawn, and invited Mr. Campeau out to critique our works. This is one of my fondest memories of all the time with my buddies from the art room.

July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 •10:00 Service with Bill Goold •11:00 Monthly Birthday Party Social Time	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 •10:00 Service with Rev. Roxy Klingensmith •2 nd Sunday Offering to Meals on Wheels •Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshop - part 1 of 2	13	14	15	16 •12:30 Board Meeting	17	18
19 •10:00 Service with Isaiah Bertagnolli •Food Bank Sunday •Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshop - part 2 of 2	20	21	22	23 •4:30 Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed	24	25
26 •10:00 Service at Bozeman Pond Park •11:00 Bring Your Own Everything Picnic at the Park!	27	28	29	30	31	

Upcoming Events

- 7/5, 10 a.m. Sunday Service with Bill Goold
- 7/5, 11 a.m. Monthly Birthday/Anniversary Social Time
- 7/12, 10 a.m. Sunday Service with Rev. Roxy Klingensmith
- 7/12, 2nd Sunday Offering to Meals on Wheels
- 7/12, 11:30 a.m. Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshop - part 1 of 2
- 7/16, 12:30 p.m. Board Meeting
- 7/19 Food Bank Sunday
- 7/19, 10 a.m. Sunday Service with Isaiah Bertagnolli
- 7/19, 11:30 a.m. Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshop - part 2 of 2
- 7/23, 4:30 p.m. Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed
- 7/26, 10 a.m. Sunday Service at Bozeman Pond
- 7/26, 11 a.m. Bring Your Own Everything Picnic at Bozeman Pond



Upcoming Events



Monthly Birthday & Anniversary Party Social Time - July 5

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 a finger food to share! Sign up at uufbozeman.org/birthday.



2nd Sunday Offering to Meals on Wheels - July 12

The Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC) has specified that this offering will go to the Bozeman Senior Center Meals on Wheels. Donate online (uufbozeman.org/donate) and select "Give to 2nd Sunday charitable donation" or write a check payable to UUFB with "meals" in the memo line.

The Bozeman Senior Center's Meals on Wheels program provides nutritious home-delivered meals to qualifying homebound residents within Bozeman city limits. Participants may receive meals for a single day, a short recovery period, or on an ongoing basis, depending on their needs. Funding is provided through federal and state grants, along with participant contributions.



Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshops - July 12 and 19

The Social Justice Action Committee invites all to attend a 2-part workshop, Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns, one Sundays July 12th and 19th from 11:30-12:45 in the sanctuary. Facilitated by Rev. Katie Michael, Cami Armijo-Grover, and Maris Fessenden this workshop is designed to open discussion on gender and the use of pronouns. Refreshments will be served. Following the sessions in May one person commented "I thought I was well educated about these issues yet learned a lot from these sessions."



Board Meeting - July 16

The UUFB Board meets at UUFB and on Zoom monthly at 12:30 p.m. the date listed above. Please let a Board member know if you are interested in attending.



Food Bank Sunday - July 19

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 deliver them to the food bank.



Fork & Spoon Volunteers Needed - July 23

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. If you have questions, please contact Randy B.



Service in the Park - July 26

The July 26th Sunday Service will be held in person only at Bozeman Pond Park Pavilion. There will be no livestream. Remember to bring a chair and stay afterward for a Bring Your Own Everything Picnic!



Bring Your Own Everything Picnic - July 26

Join us for a casual picnic in the park after the service! Please bring your own... everything! Food, drinks, plates, cups, utensils, napkins, chairs, blankets, and anything else you'll need for a comfortable picnic. Come enjoy good company and a relaxing time outdoors.



Glass Recycling for July - Canceled

Because the July 26th service will be held outdoors at Bozeman Pond Park, glass recycling for July is cancelled.

Upcoming Events



Sunday Services Suggestions and Feedback

The Sunday Services Committee endeavors to present topics and speakers that are inspiring, informative, and stimulating—and we invite your feedback on past services and suggestions for future ones. You can share your ideas by filling out a card and placing it in the brown box in the social hall, or by completing the form at uufbozeman.org/3sf.



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, 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 are usually the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of each month (except June, July, and August) from 5:30–6:30 p.m., with performances on the last Sunday of the month. The choir takes a break during the summer. Email admin@uufbozeman.org to join our email list!



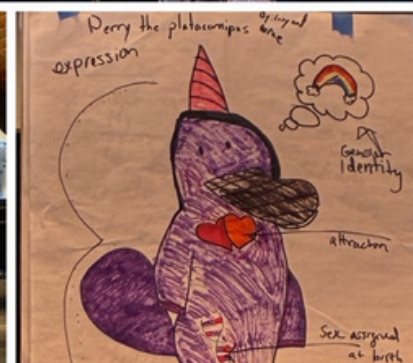
UU Humanist Group

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.



Garden Bed Parking Reminder

When parking by the western garden bed (that's the bed near the wooden fence with the signs saying "For compact cars only"), please do not pull up till your tires touch the curb. Rather, have your bumper go no further than the curb to protect the flowers planted there.



Making Sense of Inclusive Pronouns Workshop - May 10, 2026



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Staff

- **Pastoral Care:** Rev. Roxy K.
- **Minister (starting Aug. 2026):** Rev. Charlotte L.
- **Office Administrator:** Christy H.

In-office hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Remote hours: Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Out of the office on Monday

- **Coordinator of Religious Exploration:** Asherah B.
- **Religious Exploration Sub Co-Teacher:** Jasmine A.
- **Pianist:** Laurel Y.
- **Choir Director:** Megan M.

Contact us!

uufbozeman.org/about-us/contact-us

UUFB News & Events

Calendar of Events

See our calendar of upcoming events at:

uufbozeman.org/news/events-page.

Friday E-News

Our weekly emails include details about upcoming events, announcements, and Sunday services. To join, please visit

uufbozeman.org/news/e-news.

Email Discussion List

An email discussion list (listserv) has been established in order to communicate announcements and events of interest to the UUFB. To subscribe, send an email to our Office Administrator requesting to join.

Newsletter

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.

2026-2027 Board Members

- President: Lisa B.
- Vice President: Kim H.
- Past Presidents: Kaylin G. and Sandra O.
- Secretary: Joy L.
- Treasurer: Dave R.
- Member-at-Large: May V.
- Member-at-Large: James H.

Committees/Task Force Leaders

- Building & Grounds Committee: Tonya S., Contact
- Building Coordinator: Tonya S., Contact
- Caring Committee, Meals, Rides: Mary M., Contact
- Communications Committee: Neil S., Contact
- Finance Committee: Bruce D., Chair
- Fundraising: Open
- Governance/Leadership: Tonya S., Contact
- Hospitality/Membership: Tonya S., Chair
- Interfaith *Our Whole Lives*: Asherah B., CRE
- Interior Design: Barbara L., Contact
- Investment Committee: Paul S., Chair
- Leadership Council: Kim H., Contact
- Legacy Giving: Pam P., Contact
- Lifespan Religious Exploration: Warren K., Contact
- Safety Task Force: Neil S., Contact
- Social Activities: Diane K., Contact
- Social Justice Action Committee: Randy B., Contact
- Stewardship: Peg W., Contact
- Sunday Services Committee: Jeanne M., Chair

Contact Points

- Book Sales/Little Library: Leona P.
- Family Promise Task Force: Carolyn B.
- Food Bank: Susan A., Norm E., Sandy K.
- Fork & Spoon: Randy B.
- Hiking Group: Dick C.
- Humanist Group: Sara W.
- Historian: Susan B.
- Kitchen/Bath Supplier: Suzy S.
- Men's Group: Warren K.
- Soul Matters Groups: Lynn F., Leona P., Rachel R.
- UUFB Choir: Megan M.
- Women's Group: Diane K., Contact
- Youth Group: Asherah B., CRE