

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

10:30 AM

- Children ages 0-4 may go directly to the Nursery.
- Children ages 4 and older join their families for the first portion of the service.

10:40 AM (Approximate)

- Children are called to the front of the Sanctuary for Time for Wonder, a child-friendly story or presentation.
- Children do not have to come forward if they don't want to. You may join your kids at the front of Sanctuary and sit with or near them.

10:45 AM

- On Classroom Sundays, children will be led to their classrooms on the second floor of the Parish House for classes.
- On Creative Sundays, school-aged children ages 5 to 11 come together and participate in a project that involves art, music, dance, or some other hands on activity.

11:40 AM

- Religious Exploration classes end and a snack is provided in the Mark Pedersen Room (above the parlor).
- Parents should pick up and sign out their child between 11:40 and 11:50 AM.

RE CALENDAR, FALL 2019

October

6	Classroom Sunday
13	Multigenerational Service
20	Classroom Sunday
27	Creative Sunday

November

3	Classroom Sunday
10	Creative Sunday
17	Classroom Sunday
24	Multigenerational Service

December

8	Creative Sunday
15	Classroom Sunday
22	Multigenerational Service
29	No Programming

January

5	Creative Sunday
12	Classroom Sunday
19	Multigenerational Service
26	Classroom Sunday

Multigenerational Services are a wonderful time for families to attend church together. However, if an entire service is too much for your little one, you are welcome to play in Parlor.

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

First Unitarian
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RE Team: Jill Barbuti vanLeuken, Leah O'Connor, Andrew Quagliata, Kim Wilkinson

LEARNING TOGETHER

We seek to create connection, find inspiration and engage the world.

The RE program at FUSIT is a place where children learn and discuss liberal religious values to help them navigate life's challenges. Adults and children together discuss big questions of life and ponder spiritual issues. Children make friends of all ages, learn to care about others, and grow spiritually and emotionally. They are encouraged to take the values they learn on Sunday mornings back to their homes, schools, and playgrounds.

Our hope is to raise children to act beyond the church doors with open eyes and loving hearts. RE is a busy and fun place full of music, art, stories, and dance – and our doors are open to all newcomers.

Children may join our program at any time during the church calendar year.

BEING IN COMMUNITY TOGETHER

This is a cooperative Religious Exploration program, and we don't charge for our morning RE program. Our RE teachers are volunteers, and most are not education professionals, though all are committed to the spiritual growth of our children. Parents are encouraged to teach in our program after attending FUSIT for one year.

FUSIT members are strongly encouraged to pledge to the congregation to support our ministries. Unitarian Universalist congregations are fully self-supporting, relying on the support of its members and friends to thrive.

Here are some other ways to contribute your time and energy to our programs:

- Serve on RE Team
- Teach on Classroom Sundays
- Assist a Teacher on Classroom Sundays
- Substitute Teach when one of the teachers is unavailable
- Lead a Creative Sunday
- Provide a healthy snack
- Help plan, set up for, or clean up after special events
- Chaperone outings/trips/overnights
- Be a mentor for our Coming of Age program

Contact Susanne Quagliata for more information.

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION CURRICULA

Pre-K: Beatrix Potter Room

Grades K-1: James Reeb Room

Grades 2-3: Lewis Allen McGee Room

Grades 4-6 : Francis David Room

Our Whole Lives: 7th & 8th Grade; 10 & 11 Grade

High School Youth Group: Jeannie O'Neill

Coming of Age: 9th & 10th Grade

For more information, please speak with a member of RE Team at the RE Table in the parlor.

