



Religious Education (RE) Program

UUFSD 2011-2012

Curriculum

Toddlers (1-3 yrs)

(No Formal Curriculum)

Our talented staff will encourage young children to explore the world around them. Toddlers may be dropped off before service or attend the first part of the service with their families. Class meets in "Pinecones", above the upper parking lot.

PreK/K (4yrs+)

Chalice Children

Introduces children to concepts such as family, holidays, birth and death, marriage, dreams and the natural world using fun activities, rhymes and fingerplays. Class meets in "Footprints", first classroom up the hill past the administrative office.

Grades 1-3

Picture Book Bible Stories and World Religions

Based on picture books that teach young children about the stories of the bible and world religious celebrations through a UU lens. Class meets in "Treetops", second classroom up the hill past the administrative building.

Grades 4-6

Love Connects Us

The sessions explore our legacy, from both Universalism and Unitarianism, of living our connections in loving service, inquiry, and action. Children learn how our actions create a new heritage of connecting in love which will shape the faith of future generations. Class meets in the **Palmer Library**.

Grades 7-8 (JRUU)

Coming of Age (COA) Program

See separate flyer. Class restricted to registered participants. Class meets in the **Montessori Building**. For more information contact Darlene Kanzler, coordinator of the COA program at dar.kanzler@gmail.com or Alison Crotty at Alison@uufsd.org.

YRUU (Grades 9-12)

Topic Box Discussions

Youth will be exploring life and religious issues every week through conversations, conferences, worship sessions, and leadership opportunities. Youth will attend the adult service from time to time. Class meets in the **Cathy Schepps Space (YRUU room)**, next to the upper parking lot.

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Seven UU Principles (Youth Version)

1. Every person is important.
2. All people should be treated fairly.
3. Our churches are places where all people are accepted and where we keep on learning together.
4. Each person must be free to search for what is true and right.
5. People should have a vote about the things that concern them.
6. We should work for a peaceful, fair and free world.
7. We must care for our planet Earth.

General Information

Class Starts - after the Children's Sharing portion of the service - visitors should walk younger children up to the classroom the first few times. Once they are familiar with the location, they are welcome to come with the rest of the kids. Toddlers may be dropped off before the service.

Class Ends - at 11:30am. This gives parents time to attend the service and talk with other adults afterwards. Please come to pick up your child at 11:30 or the teacher will bring them down to you in the Core Area. Older children may be released to the playground.

Restroom - The restrooms are located next to Founder's Hall (largest building). Please encourage your child to use the restroom before service.

Supervision - At least two adults are always assigned to the class. Other parents or additional assistants may also be in the class.

Observation - You are welcome to attend class with your child at any time. It helps you understand what happens in class and how your child participates.

Participation- Each family with a child or youth in the RE program is required to volunteer and participate in the program. Please contact Alison for more information and opportunities.

Contact Information

Questions? Comments? Please feel free to contact our Director of Religious Education (DRE), Alison Crotty at Alison@uufsd.org or 619-252-1867, or Nancy Hebert, Chair of the RE Committee at he4gott@aol.com or 858-792-7835