

FALL 2015
WUU FAMILIES & WORSHIP CALENDAR

| Dates | Type of Service | Service Themes RE Class Topics: (L)ower Elementary PK-2, (U)pper 3-5, and (M)iddle 6-8 Programs <i>Reverend Dave's Sermon Topics</i> |
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| September 13 | All ages service | Water Ceremony <i>Sermon: Notes from the Open Road</i> |
| September 20 | All ages service | Ground Breaking - Fall Equinox - Yom Kippur <i>Sermon: Forgiveness/ Starting Over: A Door Set Open</i> |
| September 27 | All ages service | Nature |
| October 4 | RE Program in Fahs and Parker | L: On the Threshold U: St. Francis Day M: Bart Gets an F <i>Sermon: Strange Happenings in the Woods</i> |
| October 11 | All ages service | <i>Sermon: Anxiety: The Price of Freedom</i> |
| October 18 | Children's Chapel: QiGong | All kids together: QiGong with David Hamilton <i>Sermon: Staying Calm and Courageous, No Matter What</i> |
| October 25 | Children's Chapel: Circles | All kids together: Circles with Melinda Morgan |
| November 1 | RE Program in Fahs and Parker | L: Symbols of Faith U: Intro to Holidays & Holy Days M: Homer and Lisa <i>Sermon: Candide's Dilemma: Beyond Good and Evil</i> |
| November 8 | RE Program in Fahs and Parker | L: Beehive U: Maulid al Nabi M: Bart Sells His Soul <i>Sermon: Compassion: The Paradox of Caring</i> |
| November 15 | RE Program in Fahs and Parker | L: Animal Homes U: Wampanoag Thanksgiving M: In Marge We Trust <i>Sermon: Dancing in the Productive Zone of Disequilibrium</i> |
| November 22 | All ages service and all music service | St. Cecelia Service |
| November 29 | All ages service | Thanksgiving |
| December 6 | Children's Chapel: Drumming | Hanukkah All kids together: Drumming with Bentley Cobb <i>Sermon: The Thing With Feathers: What Are You Hoping For?</i> |
| Friday December 11 | Yule Sing | Yule Sing 6pm! <i>Fa, la, la, la, la...</i> |
| December 13 | RE Program in Fahs and Parker | Beethoven's Birthday L: Home in Nature M: Dussehra M: Lisa the Skeptic <i>Sermon: The Trials of Job and Ludwig: When the Tofu Hits the Turnstile</i> |
| December 20 | All ages service | Winter Solstice <i>Sermon: Mary Had a Little Lamb: Divine Foolishness?</i> |
| December 27 | All ages service | |

Lower Elementary: Creating Home

This program, part of the Tapestry of Faith series, helps children develop a sense of home that is grounded in our Unitarian Universalist faith. Together, we will ask questions about the purpose of having a home, for us as humans and for other animals. The program introduces the concept of a "faith home"—our congregation—which shares some characteristics with a family home. Like a family home, a faith home offers its members certain joys, protections, and responsibilities. Children explore the deep sense of sacredness, the beauty of hospitality, and the gift of loving relationships that a home can represent. Watch for small differences in children's respect for one another and their engagement with the wider congregation as they learn to identify their Unitarian Universalist congregation as a home.

Upper Elementary: Holidays & Holy Days

Holidays are the natural, age-old vehicle of religious socialization. A holiday is not something to talk about; it's something to DO. We have chosen holidays which in some way lift up a value we affirm, or address a universal human response to life. We honor both the diversity and particularity of cultural tradition, and at the same time the commonality of the human condition. "Under the sky, all people are one family" as Sophia Fahs reminds us, quoting an old Chinese proverb. Each Sunday session will bring something fun to celebrate. Check the calendar for the different topics!

Middle School: D'oh God (Simpsons)

This curriculum uses the animated television series *The Simpsons*, to help youth discuss important social issues and spiritual beliefs with peers. Competing for a youth's attention can be difficult today. Widespread television viewing, video game playing and internet surfing has created an environment where youth need visual stimulation to maintain interest. Pop culture can help to channel this environment into a learning opportunity, allowing youth to examine ethical and theological issues, while having fun.

Talking about sensitive issues with peers can be daunting, particularly if the youth lives and goes to school in a conservative atmosphere and knows that his/her viewpoint is not necessarily shared by the majority of his/her peers. Referencing a television show, a movie, a song, or a website can help youth express their opinions to others.



Register



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