# religious education calendar 2016-17

October 2: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

Coming of Age mtg (6th-8th graders and families) – 11am

October 9: Classes for children and youth Classes for children and youth

October 23: All ages activity for children and youth

October 30: Full Community Service

November 6: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

November 13: Classes for children and youth

November 20: All-ages Thanksgiving activity for children and youth

November 27: Full Community Service

**December 4**: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

December 11: Classes for children and youth

December 18: Full Community Service

December 25: Full Community Christmas Service

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January 1: All ages activity for children and youth

January 8: Classes for children and youth
Full Community MLK service
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February 5: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

February 12: Full Community Service

February 19: Classes for children and youth Classes for children and youth

March 5: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

March 12: Full Community service

March 19: Classes for children and youth March 26: Classes for children and youth

April 2: Youth Brunch Bunch; classes for children

April 9: Classes for children and youth

April 16: All-ages Easter Activity, Egg Hunt after the service

April 23: Full Community Earth Day service
April 30: Classes for children and youth

May 7: Full Community Honoring Thresholds service

May 14: Classes for children and youth May 21: Classes for children and youth May 28: Classes for children and youth



# Religious Education

at the Unitarian Universalist Community
of the Mountains

# Contact our Director of Religious Education:

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At UUCM, we believe in the importance of the ongoing search for truth and meaning.

This year our full church community will be deeply exploring our own Unitarian Universalist religion, our principles, our values, ethics, and beliefs, guided by a monthly theme.

As a multi-generational congregation, we will co-learn about our faith, our beliefs and our community.

We encourage you to explore these themes together.

You can find more information at <a href="http://www.uugrassvalley.org/learn/">http://www.uugrassvalley.org/learn/</a> or in our Lifelong Learning RE brochure.

You are also encouraged to reach out to members of our Religious Education Visioning Team – they are distinguished by a red ribbon on their nametags.

#### Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

CHILD CARE: Our youngest children will learn to nurture and affirm their individuality and spiritual growth through songs, stories, activities and play! Child care is offered during both services.

CHILDREN (PRE-K-5TH GRADERS): Our children are exploring our monthly themes through hands-on, artistic, and thoughtful activities. Our children are also introduced to the importance of spiritual practices, community building and service and social justice.

YOUTH (6TH-12TH GRADERS): Youth are invited to fully participate as leaders in developing programmatic offerings and co-learning with other youth and adult leaders around our monthly themes. Youth also participate in Sunday Services, organize social events, engage in Social Justice activities, and build community with each other and others at UUCM. Youth also participate in various fundraising activities throughout the year to help pay for sending youth representatives to district/regional youth conferences, UUA General Assembly, and other large-scale events.

All children and youth are invited to attend the beginning of each service as a family. They are then "sung to class" after the Time for All Ages.

### Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Children and youth are invited to attend the Sunday service – details about the topic for each Sunday are available online. Child care is offered during both services.

# **Full Community Services**

During our Full Community services, children, youth and adults gather for a multigenerational hour of worship.

# **All Ages Activities**

On Sundays when we offer "all ages" activities, children and youth of all ages are invited to explore a particular topic important to all ages. These Sunday workshops benefit from the participation of a variety of voices and abilities.

# Coming of Age

Youth in grades 8-10 are invited to participate in "Coming of Age" a year-long program intended to offer youth at this transitional age, an opportunity to explore their personal theology in a deeper way. Youth are paired with an adult mentor and engage in group workshops, visits to other houses of worship, and three district-wide weekend events.



#### **Adult Education**

We are excited to offer a variety of adult education opportunities. Please see our specific Adult Education brochure. Details can also be found here:

www.uugrassvalley.org

#### **Youth Music**

Most Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m.; All ages are invited to this terrific music program open to people of all ages and experience-levels.

#### **Youth Studio**

Most Thursday's 4-5 p.m.; A one-hour gathering for all ages to create in community. There will be art supplies and exercises available, but feel free to bring anything you are working on or wanting to share.

#### **Brunch Bunch**

Most First Sundays of the month \* 9:45 a.m.; All youth (6th-12th grade) are invited to invited to attend "Brunch Bunch" on the first Sunday of most months. Bring your own \$\$ or contact our DRE for support.

#### **UUism in Action**

Our children and youth are often leaders in our work for social justice. Throughout the year we will engage in the work for social justice through our learning, field trips, and activities. Summer 2017, in collaboration with the UU Fellowship of Northern Nevada, youth will be invited to participate in a social justice journey with the UU College of Social Justice {uucsj.org}. Details can be found on our website.

# Stay Connected.

New opportunities are developed frequently and schedules may change. The best way to stay up-to-date with all of our learning opportunities is to check out our website: ; explore the RE bulletin board in the hallway near our coffee gathering; or join our private facebook page (for families and teachers):

www.facebook.com/groups/REatUUCM/

We also ask that all children and youth participating in any of our programs are registered. This helps us ensure the safety of all participants. If you would like your child to participate, please fill out a registration form, available at the Greeters Table or from the RE Liaison on any Sunday morning. You can also find the form online: www.uugrassvalley.org/re-registration.

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