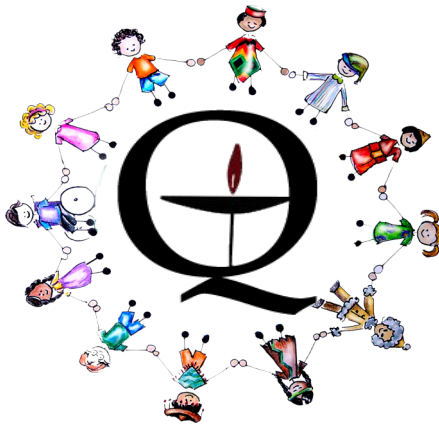


CHILDREN AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



- Sep 4 Water Service (10am Multigenerational)
Childcare for Grade 2 and Under
- Sep 8 OWL Parent Meeting 4-6th Grade (6:30pm)
Childcare if requested
- Sep 11 Opening Sunday (RE at 9:15am)
Childcare 9:15am & 11:15am
YRUU Begins 6-8pm
- Sep 15 RE Committee Meeting (7-8:30pm)
Children's Choir Begins (4:45-5:15pm)
- Sep 17 QUUF Rummage Sale
- Sep 18 Church Potluck at HJ Carroll Park (3-6pm)
- Sep 19 OWL Parent Meeting 7-9th Grade (7pm)
- Sep 23-25 Puget Sound Middle School Con
- Oct 14 Harvest Party and Vegetable Races

WELCOME to a new beginning. We are gearing up for another full year of QUUF Religious Education. We come together as a religious community because we know that the spiritual or faith development of our children is as important as their intellectual, physical and emotional development. We require our children to brush their teeth, get exercise, go to school, and we encourage their friendships. Bringing them to church is equally as important for the development of their moral compass in the world. As UU parents we know that involvement in this church community will benefit us in many ways.

FAMILY ALTAR: Each Sunday this fall the children will be bringing home an object that represents one of our UU Sources. We encourage families to set aside a table or shelf that can be used as an altar or worship table. The items can be placed on the altar, and used to enhance conversations about Unitarian Universalism.

RE STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS continue with enthusiasm and expertise. Anthony Francis has stepped in as Youth Coordinator. Nils Pedersen continues to volunteer as a high school advisor, joined by Stacey Larsen and Matt Ready. We have 13 Sunday morning RE volunteer teachers and 6 RE committee members. 4-6th grade OWL has 2 new leaders, Chris Brignoli and Lorna Wheeler. 7-9th grade OWL is facilitated by Kate Madson, Collin Brown, and Victoria Poling. It takes all of us to create this multi-generational community. All parents will be asked to assist in the classrooms. We have one opening in the 3-5th grade teaching team.

MS Con (Middle School Conference) is for 6-8th graders in the Puget Sound area. QUUF has had active attendance for many years and it is a highlight for our youth. You should have received information in the mail; the deadline is immediate. Contact Kathy if you have questions.

YRUU (Young Religious UUs) 9-12th Grade: Welcome to a new year of YRUU. Sep 11 from 6-8pm is our first get-together at the Fellowship. There will be new advisors to meet, food to share, games to play, and planning for the year. Youth participation and commitment will guide and structure our time together. Mark your calendars! The PNWD (Pacific Northwest District) Youth Con is Oct 21-23.

PARENT COVENANT Groups have been great ways to connect with other adults. The difference from other Covenant Groups is that these meet at church, with childcare provided. If you are interested in participating in this program, watch for Bruce's sign up table, or contact Kathy. They are scheduled for Monday evenings.

Attend a Performance of CATS — an intergenerational experience at the Bainbridge Performing Arts center Oct 16, 3pm This is for ages 10 and up, unless accompanied by parent. Watch for more information in the ALPs brochure.

FAMILY PHOTOS for the RE wall and the Pictorial Directory will be updated if desired. You may email a photo to kstevenson@olympus.net or have one taken on a Sunday morning.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: There's an exciting new opportunity for our RE children and families. Leslie Lewis will be offering a children's music/performance class in the Fellowship Hall starting at 4:45pm on Thursdays beginning September 15. Come sing with your friends while learning and growing your musical skills. **There is no charge for this;** it's a new offering from our Music Program Committee! Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall or RE or call Marj Iuro at 379-6623.

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