

We

THE MEMBER CONGREGATIONS
of the Unitarian Universalist Association
Covenant to affirm and promote:

*The inherent worth and dignity
of every person;
justice, equity and compassion
in human relations,
Acceptance of one another and
encouragement to spiritual growth;
A free and responsible search
for truth and meaning;
The right of conscience and the use of
the democratic process within our
congregations and in society at large;
The goal of world community
with peace, liberty and justice for all;
Respect for the interdependent
web of all existence,
of which we are a part*

*The living tradition we share draws
from many sources:
Direct experience of that transcending
mystery and wonder affirmed in all
cultures which moves us to a renewal of
the spirit and an openness to the forces
which create and uphold life;
Words and deeds of prophetic women
and men which challenge us to confront
posers and structures of evil 'with justice,
compassion and the transforming power
of love;
Wisdom from the world's religions
which inspires us in our ethical and
spiritual life;
Jewish and Christian teachings which
call us to respond to God's love by
loving our neighbors as ourselves;
Humanist teachings which counsel us to
heed the guidance of reason and the
results of science, and warn us against
idolatries of the mind and spirit,
Spiritual teachings of earth centered
traditions, which celebrate the sacred
circle of life and interest us to live in
harmony with the rhythms of nature.*



*Grateful for the religions pluralism which enriches
and enables our faith, we are inspired to deepen our
understanding and expand our vision. As free
congregations we enter into this covenant, promising
to one another our mutual trust and support.*

The Unitarian Universalist Association shall devote its resources to and exercise its corporate powers for religious educational and humanitarian purposes. The primary purpose of the Association is to serve the needs of its member congregations, organize new congregations, extend and strengthen Unitarian Universalist institutions and implement its principals.

Sunday
December 6, 2009



**"Association Sunday: Together
We Gather"**

Rev. Lyn Burton

Vision Statement

We will be a vibrant, caring, spiritual community for all who seek an inspirational and religious home.

Mission Statement

We are a fellowship of free minds, welcoming all, a beacon of enlightenment and sanctuary, and offering a call to build a better self, community and world.

ORDER OF SERVICE

December 6, 2009

Prelude/Call to Worship

Opening Words

Chalice Lighting Reading

*Opening Hymn #360, "Here We Have Gathered"

Welcome

Announcements

Candle Lighting for Personal Joys & Concerns

Meditation/Prayer

Ingathering of New Members and Dedication of Children (Program Insert)

Sing the Children Out #413 "Go Now In Peace"
Go now in peace. Go now in peace.
May the spirit of love surround you
Everywhere, everywhere you may go

Music Meditation

Reading

Sermon: **Association Sunday: Together We Gather**

*Closing Hymn #358, "Rank by Rank Again We Stand"

Closing Words

Postlude

*Stand as you are willing and able

Quinn & Kaiden Goddard-Hathaway are joined by their parents, Tim Hathaway & Tammy Goddard-Hathaway and friend, Marnie Piehl. Cyrus & Lucea Hagge-Goethe are joined by their parents, Sarah Goethe and Matthew Hagge. Audrey & Adam Mack are joined by their parents, David and Amanda Mack, grandparents, Bill & Dina Butcher, Aunt & Uncle Marnie & Shadd Piehl and cousins, Owen, Wyatt & Ryder Piehl. Sky Solig is joined by his parents, Heather and William Solig.

Rev Lyn Burton, our consulting minister, welcomes your ongoing conversation via cell phone 651-336-4493,
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OUR CHURCH LIFE

December 11: 5:30 – 7:30: Family Pizza Party Picnic & Getting-to-Know You Games. Join the party, bring your favorite game and let the UU Fellowship treat you to a pizza supper!!

December 13: Sunday Service 11:00 AM: "The Gospel of Getting Rich," with Dr. John Helgeland, a professor in the Dept. of History, Philosophy & Religious Studies at NDSU who has done extensive study on televangelists.
12:30 PM After Service: Congregational Annual Meeting, light lunch, and child care.

December 16: 7:00 PM: Board of Trustees meeting. If you have agenda items, please contact Tammy or any board member.

December 19: 6:00 PM: Winter Solstice Potluck Supper with Dr. Rev. Christa Landon. Dr. Landon was ordained as a UU minister in 1995 and is one of the co-founders and past board member of CUUPS, Inc. She has practiced Paganism since 1969, was ordained a high priestess in the Pagan Way tradition in 1972 and studied Neo-Thalamic Magick. Contact Greg Enerson if you would like to join the conversation and celebrate the longest night of the year! enersgreg@netscape.net or 220-2631.

Our UU Art Gallery

"SEEKING MY VISION ON CANVAS"

Jerome Lobsinger

We have a new artist's work on display! A born and raised North Dakotan Jerome is a biologist and naturalist, educated at NDSU & Moorhead State, now retired to Bismarck. He spent much of his life near Mt. Jicarilla in northern New Mexico, painting wildlife and visions inspired by the Apache and Navajo among whom he lived. Jerome has shown and sold his paintings in galleries all over the country and has won several "stamp" contests. Many of these paintings are for sale. Please see Tammy in the office if you are interested. A public reception will be held in the spring.

UU Art Gallery hours: Mondays from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 – 3:30 pm,

Remember: All of this information and much more, including our newsletter can be viewed on our website: [www. bismanuu.org](http://www.bismanuu.org), check it out!!

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