



# Religious Education News

Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton

## RE Mission

Our religious education program works to create an accepting environment that empowers children and youth to explore their spirituality, celebrate diversity, and live our Unitarian Universalist values.

**For the Week of July 15, 2018**

## A Special Announcement:

On Sunday, August 5, all RE programming including the nursery will be suspended. All families are encouraged to attend the *Huutenanny at Meacham Lake*.

## Family Ministry

We believe that families play a vital role in furthering this empowerment to explore and live our UU values. We are excited to support our families by offering ideas from the UUA's Tapestry of Faith program as well as graces and thought provoking questions related to the topics introduced during Sunday religious education classes. We hope you find this initiative enjoyable and spiritually fulfilling for your whole family.

## A Table Grace:

As we go through life, the most important thing we can collect is memories. Thank you all for being here today to share this meal as a treasured part of that collection.  
~ <https://seculargratitude.wordpress.com/>

## Chalice Lighting:

Love is the aspiration, the spirit that moves and inspires this faith we share.

Rightly understood, love can nurture our spirits and transform the world.

May the flame of this chalice honor and embody the power and the blessing of the love we need, the love we give, the love we are challenged always to remember and to share.  
~ Rev. Maureen Killoran

## In RE Next Week

Our children and youth will be participating in Summer with Seuss. We will be reading "Bartholomew and the Oobleck" and consider different kinds weather. Check out the church website and our [Facebook](#) page for details.

## RE Committee

Wil Rivers, Chair  
Anna Sorensen, Council Liaison  
Jeff Frank  
Arthur Freeheart  
Shelby Hunkins  
Esther Katz  
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Ron Tavernier  
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Please consider utilizing these ideas to deepen and inspire your faith during the week.

**Contemplation Topic** - During a shared meal with family or friends or as part of a contemplative practice, ponder the following quote - Imagination is the beginning of creation. You imagine what you desire, you will what you imagine and at last you create what you will. - George Bernard Shaw

**Watch a Movie:** Watch the movie, *Millions(2005)*. This film concerns two young brothers who discover stolen money. The youngest, an imaginative dreamer, wants to give it to the poor. The oldest thinks they should keep it in the family. What does this movie have to say about imagination?

**Creating an Acrostic :** Create an acrostic with your last name at a family gathering or in a personal journal.

S silly, sloppy, sleepy

M mathematical, merry, musical

I insightful, intelligent, irreverent

T thoughtful, timely, tolerant

H happy, hungry, hopeful

You can also help each other create acrostics with your first names. Have the acrostics framed and displayed somewhere in your home.

**Our Whole Lives** - Why does our faith offer sexuality education? Read an [article](#) by our own OWL facilitators.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carol Zimmerman at [dre@uucantonny.org](mailto:dre@uucantonny.org) or 315-386-2498.