

# UUCG Beyond Sunday Morning

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## Events This Week

\*+Congregational Meeting: Sunday Dec 18  
+Tarot: Sunday Dec 18  
+\*Mindfulness and Meditation: Sunday Dec 18  
\*Choir Rehearsal: Tuesday Dec 20  
+Yarns From the Heart: Wednesday Dec 21  
+\*Christmas Eve Service: next Saturday Dec 24

\*in-person +online ^off-site in person

## Congregational Vote Today!

We welcome all members to join us after the service today to vote to approve next year's operating budget.

The online absentee ballot will close as the meeting is called to order and you will need to vote live during the meeting after that point.

Copies of the proposed budget are available if you haven't seen it yet.

## Words for Inspiration

“There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.”

-*Edith Wharton*

“[Hu] man loves company – even if it is only that of a small burning candle.”

- *Georg C. Lichtenberg*

“Do not worry if all the candles in the world flicker and die. We have the spark that starts the fire.”

- *Rumi*

Find more resources for exploring your UU Faith on our Faith Development webpages here: <https://bit.ly/UUCGFaithDevelopment>

## UU Principles

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides.

1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;

3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;

4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;

5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;

6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;

7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

## UU Sources

We live out our Principles within a “living tradition” of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience. These are the six sources our congregations affirm and promote:

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 people which challenge us to confront powers 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 instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.