



Family Tree

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Religious Education for Children & Youth

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FALL Schedule & Curricula

Children's Religious Education (RE)

PreK~5th Grade

RE classes for this age level take place during the 11am service. Children gather with their parents in the sanctuary to enjoy the first 15 minutes of worship together and then "sing out" to their religious education program from **11:15-12:15**. Parents are asked to please pick up promptly at 12:15.

There are no RE classes at 9am, though childcare is available as needed.

Youth Group & Coming of Age (CoA)

6~12th Grade

Youth meet together on and the Second Sundays from 11-12:30 pm and on Fourth Sundays from 12:30-2pm.

Please visit these online links for schedule details:

[Children's RE Schedule](#) [Youth/CoA Schedule](#)

Class Curricula

Chalice Children (Gr. preK-1) meets in the Forest Room for [World of Wonder](#) during second service.

Seekers (Gr 2-5) meets in the Ocean Room for the UUA's [Miracles](#) online curriculum, along with [Hands-On Nature](#), during second service.

Youth Group/CoA (Gr 6-12) meets in the Youth Room for the lessons from the [Coming of Age Handbook for Congregations](#), a UU Identity program.

Nursery for children 3 & under

Our nursery caregivers, Erin Favre & Marcus Prince are happy to care for our youngest UUs during services. Children of all ages may join them during the forum or any other UUFA activities held between services. Children through age 4 may attend the nursery during all-ages services.

Hours are 8:45-12:15 when there are two services.

November Sundays

November 6~ CWS

Children & youth begin in the sanctuary, then dismiss to the Rainbow Room for our monthly 1st Sunday **Children's Worship Service (CWS)**. This Sunday, we introduce the monthly congregational theme of **re-construction**. In combination with this year's 7th principle nature connection program in elementary classes, the CWS will focus on ways humans can foster a good relationship with animal homes and habitats. Children's Music Leader Debbie Hardegree will lead theme-related songs. Youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to sign up for leadership roles by contacting Morgan.

November 13~ RE Classes

Chalice Children~ [Habitats](#)

Seekers~ [A Miracle Inside](#)

Youth~ Youth Group Meeting, 11-12:30

November 20~

All-Ages Worship Service

There are no religious education classes during All-Ages Worship Services, but childcare is available as needed. There will be opportunities for children and youth to participate in the worship service. Please let Morgan know if your child would like a role.

November 27~ RE Classes

Chalice Children~ [Life Giving Plants](#)

Seekers~ [Miracles We Can Make](#)

Youth~ Youth Group Meeting, 12:30-2:00

Children's Charity

Each Sunday during RE Class or the CWS, we pass an offering can to give children the opportunity to donate to our children's charity, [Food 2 Kids](#), which assists children who are at risk of hunger by sending them home from school with easy-to-prepare bags of food. Please encourage your children to bring their change or dollar bills for this love offering.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO [REGISTER](#) CHILDREN AND YOUTH FOR RE!

Mountain CONs

Join these gatherings of UU kids from all over the southeast for fun and fellowship in a beautiful setting of Little Scaly Mountain-top, near Highlands, NC. Cost is \$100 or \$50 with scholarship application. Registration for the Mountain Cons must be completed ONE MONTH before each con, with notice given to Morgan for planning purposes. For more info and to register, visit <http://themountainrlc.org/youth-conference/>.

Adults, want a free trip to the Mountain?
Contact Morgan to register as a chaperone.

Fall Con dates are:

Middle School (6th-8th grade): December 2-4

Deadline to register online is November 4 or until full!

High School (9-12th grade): December 9-11

Deadline to register online is November 9 or until full!

Volunteer Corner



Children's Religious Education Committee

This team partners with the Director of Religious Education to oversee all components of the Children's Religious Education program, including Sunday RE, All-Ages worship services, and special events. We meet on the SECOND SUNDAY, following the second service, in the Youth Room. You're welcomed to come by any time and see what we're up to! **12:30-2:00pm**

Nov 12, Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 12

Children's Worship Service Assistant

The CWS Assistant helps Morgan as she leads the worship service that takes place on the first Sunday of each month. Children begin in the sanctuary and sing out to CWS from the 11am service.

Needed Jan 8, Mar 5, and Apr 2

Nifty Gifty Elves

Elves are needed for our holiday gift-making extravaganza. We'll need craft-helpers, gift-wrappers, set-up elves, clean-up elves, kitchen elves, and more. Look for sign up sheets around the Fellowship or let Morgan know.



Upcoming Events

**Friday, November 11~
Youth Fun Friday**

Welcome Kelemans! Youth in grades 5 and up are invited to meet up for a fun evening out at the [Rush Trampoline jumping center](#), followed by a dinner together for an evening filled with fellowship and fun with Tas from the visiting family of our beloved partner church in Okland, Transylvania. RSVP to Morgan by **Wednesday, November 9**. All parents must complete the Rush Waiver and a UUFA Youth Permission Form in advance.

**Saturday,
December 10~
Nifty Gifty**



Get your jinglebells on and come on out for a day of holiday merriment! Children and adults will have the opportunity to make and wrap as many as 10 different gifts to give to loved ones with

pride in a festive atmosphere, and we may even get a visit from Santa! There will be volunteer elves to help children so parents can sip cider and mingle with each other, or drop off children ages 7 and up to run errands if permission form is on file. An adult must enter the building on drop off and pick up to sign in and out. A suggested donation of \$3-5 helps offset costs. Advance sign ups are recommended, as we will limit participation to 40 gift-makers. Find [registration forms online](#) or as sign up sheets at UUFA.

9am-12pm, Fellowship Hall

**Down the
Line...**

**Monday, January 16~
Martin Luther King "Day
ON" family service time**

**Saturday, March 18~
Spring Equinox
Celebration**

**Sunday, April 16~
Easter Egg Hunt and
festivities**

