## ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

### The Wi\$dom Path: Money, Spirit, and Life

"Money plays a role in nearly every aspect of our lives. Depending on how we understand it, our relationship with money can enhance or limit our ability to live our lives to the fullest. In this program, participants join together to give this

important aspect of our lives due attention in a religious community. The heart of this program is an exploration of the relationship between money and spiritual values, specifically our Unitarian Universalist values."

Participants will explore money and values through conversation and activities that allow them to consider their own stories and different perspectives on money, help them feel better equipped to make money decisions, and encourage them to consider whether they want to pursue changes to bring their financial choices in better alignment with their values. The 12 sessions will be offered as 3 topical series.

#### Money: 7:00 PM September 11, 18, & 25 in the Annex

This first series is an introduction to the program in which participants explore their own attitudes and experiences with money.

#### Money, Spirit & Life: October dates TBA

This second series will guide participants toward taking actions that align with their personal values.

Money & Society: January & February dates TBA
This last series explores how our financial ways of being affects others.

#### A WILDERNESS ICON: UTAH'S RED ROCK CANYONLANDS

The connection between nature, wilderness, and spirituality goes back to the very origins of humanity. **Wednesday. September 17 at 7:30 pm**, the Unitarian Universalist Church of



Kent will host a program featuring speaker Clayton Daughenbaugh, conservation organizer with the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance and Chairperson of the Sierra Club's National Wildlands and Wilderness Committee. Daughenbaugh will address the topic of faith and the land while promoting the national campaign to protect America's red rock wilderness.

The program includes a multi-media slideshow documenting citizen efforts to designate public lands in southern Utah's spectacular canyon country as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System. This 15-minute journey through red rock splendor, narrated by Robert Redford, invigorates and motivates viewers to participate in the movement to protect these unique lands. Comprehensive legislation is pending in Congress and administrative decisions by the Department of Interior are ongoing. The national campaign to protect the Red Rock Canyonlands has been endorsed by the Unitarian Universalist General Assembly and by the Unitarian Universalist Ministry for the Earth.

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CONTINUED OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

# Prophets, Proverbs, Psalms and Parables: Exploring the Bible

The Bible is filled with wisdom, but for those who aren't experienced interpreters, it can be a little difficult to access. This course will offer a guide to exploring several different kinds of writings contained in the Hebrew



Scriptures and the Christian New Testament. The class will include both presentation to place the type of writings in historical context and reflective questions designed to help us make meaning of the chosen texts. Participants should bring a Bible with them to the class. Please contact Rev. Melissa at minister-uukent@sbcglobal.net with any questions.

Classes will meet from 7 to 9 pm on Tuesdays in the Founders Lounge. Each class will stand alone so participants may come to any or all of the following sessions:

October 7: Prophets
October 14: Proverbs
October 28: Psalms
November 4: Parables
November 11: Parables

### Make Your Own Advent Calendar

A Multigenerational Activity

#### Sunday, November 16 from 1:00 – 2:30 PM in Fessenden Hall



What makes the holidays in December meaningful for you? This is a chance to gather in community to talk about the kinds of activities, rituals, practices and experiences that most help you connect with the wonder of the winter holidays. After a brief conversation, everyone will be invited to make their own Advent Calendar to reflect your intentions. You can make a calendar on your own or as a family. People of all ages are welcome to participate. We will have coffee, tea and snacks when you arrive and you will leave with your very own

Advent Calendar. All supplies will be provided. Please RSVP to the church office by 11/16 so we can be sure to prepare enough supplies.