



The Unitarian Church in Westport
(TUCW) **K-3rd gr. 2016-2017**

UU Explorers (part 3)

FALL SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER 2016 (Theme: Covenant)

- 11- *Homecoming Service –in Sanctuary*
18 – **UU Principle #1** Everyone is Important (Dear Willy Rudd) + covenant
25 –**Principle # 2** Be Kind (Twins decide what's fair & kind)

OCTOBER (Theme: Healing)

- 2 **Animal Blessing Service** Bring Pet or Picture of Pet
9 (Columbus Day) **Principle # 3 & 4** Learn & Search together (“A Jar Labeled Freedom”)
16 – **Principle #6 & 7** Search for Truth- Albert Schweitzer & Reverence for life
23 – **Principle#5** All need a voice (The Day the Crayons Quit)
30 – **Diwali** (Hindu) celebrated Oct. 30 through Nov. 3) Goodvs.Evil

NOVEMBER (Theme: Story)

- 6 (*Clocks fall back*) **All Saints Day** (Christian) + **UU heros**
13- **Martha & Mary** (Christian) What is Important? Making decisions.
20 – *Go to Thanksgiving Service – in Sanctuary*
27 – *Vacation – child care only - welcome in Sanctuary*

DECEMBER (Theme: Presence)

- 4- **The Lord's Prayer** (Christian) + **UU Prayer**
11 – **Los Posadas** (Christian) a Christmas Tradition
18- **Caring Congregation Project** (joint with 4-5)
Sat. 24th **Attend Christmas Eve services at TUCW**
25 – *Christmas Day - Holiday – no services*

JANUARY 2015 - (Theme: Prophecy)

- 1 - *New Year's Day-Services at 9&11 but no groups today*
8 – **Muhammad** (Islam)
15 (M.L.King,Jr. Wkd) Mixed age group topic: Listening

NOTE: Sessions as of 7--16 dates for 2016-17
Subject to change

Contact the REAssisttucw@uwestport.org or
Team Leader to to get connected & specific
information for the trips.

SPRING SEMESTER

JANUARY 2017 cont'd - (Theme: Prophecy)

- 22 – **The Hajj** and the sacred stone (Islam)
29 – **The Qur'an + The Dog at the Well** story (Islam)

FEBRUARY (Theme: Identity)

- 5 (FYI Super bowl Sunday) **What is Ramadan?** (Islam)
12 **Principle 6 Build Peaceful Fair World – Make Soup**
19- *vacation – child care only- welcome in Sanctuary*
26 – **Ruth** (Jewish) loyalty & immigration

MARCH (Theme: Risk)

- 5 –**David & Goliath** (dealing with Bully's) & **thePsalms**
12 (*clocks spring ahead*) **Cain & Abel** –dealing with anger & jealousy (Jewish)
19 – **Solomon** - proverbs & fairness (Jewish)
26 – **Buddha's Birth** (Buddhist)

APRIL (Theme: Transformation)

- 2 **The Buddha & the Bodhi Tree / Meditation**(Buddhist)
9 –*Vacation – child care only*
16 – **Easter/Passover –½ hr in Sanctuary & activities for younger children in Lower Level (Jewish/Christian)**
23 – **A Jataka Tale** (Buddhist) Scared Rabbit – Use of Reason
30 –**The Wheel & Eightfold path** (Buddhist)

MAY (Theme: Embodiment)

- 7 – **Youth Service + 9th CoA Credo's – in Sanctuary**
14 (*Mother's Day*) (*Bridging ceremony*) Go to service
21 – Go to Camp Jewell Wkd for: **What's A UU?**
Playground/ Elevator Speechs– no K-3 in Westport
28(*Memorial Day wkd*) **10 am services start** – Mixed age

JUNE 4 (Theme: Zest) **Lifespan Faith Development Celebration & Flower Service**-10:00 am in Sanctuary