

UUFB - ASIC Covenant

As we covenant in new relationship, we hold up to each other our values, our expectations, and our commitment to the well-being of our beloved Unitarian Universalist Community.

We, the Circle, promise to recognize and respect the spiritual authority of the Minister. We welcome the Minister in the planning of ceremonies the Circle offers. We will support the Minister's requests to share our traditions of Earth-centered worship with the congregation.

I, the Minister, pledge to respect the Circle and the spiritual path of each of its members, counseling and supporting members of the Circle as appropriate. When accepting an invitation to the planning and leading of ritual, I will model openness to the Earth-centered spiritual practice of honoring Nature/Mother Earth.

We, the Circle, promise the Board to provide education on the history, practices and benefits of living the Earth-centered spiritual path. We will integrate an educational aspect when an Earth-centered ceremony is offered. In relationship with the congregation, we will work for Earth-centered justice. We promise to uphold the best practices of Unitarian Universalism in our activities.

We, the Board, will value the Circle's place as the first spiritual affinity group founded within our congregation, and will support its development with respect and appreciation. We promise to be open to the language of Earth-centered spirituality as may be learned and understood through our Unitarian Universalist Principles and Sources. We will respect the personal spiritual affinity for rituals that celebrate the cycles of Nature.

We, the Circle and the Board, covenant with each other to trust that communications are offered in the best interest of the congregation. We will communicate about what is working and offer discussion on what is not. Above all, we promise each other to listen with open minds and hearts.

May it be so.