

Lifespan Religious Education

is a vital component of Nora Unitarian Universalist Church.

Most **RE for Children** takes place on Sunday morning. Children of all ages attend Sunday service with their families. After the opening hymn and a *Story for All Ages*, when a teacher is available, children over the age of three years old are dismissed to the Iverson Room (the basement of the social hall) for a story, discussion and craft—or a class based on a curriculum published by the Unitarian Universalist Association. These multi-age gatherings are of necessity flexible enough to meet a range of ages and attention spans.

When we have two or more teenagers interested in RE (we love our teens!), a **Youth Group** is activated. The group meets three times a month, for 90 minutes on a weekday evening, either in the parsonage or the church social hall. The group focuses on social development and awareness of the intersection of religion and daily life. The minister advises the youth group

and works with it to plan, craft and present a worship service in the spring of the year.

We offer occasional **Adult RE Programs**. Adult RE takes place in the church social hall (or, rarely, in the parsonage), either once a month during the hour immediately following Sunday service, or once a week on a weekday evening. Courses are generally led by the minister or a member of the congregation. We use curricula published by the [Unitarian Universalist Association](#) or other UU sources, current books accompanied by discussion guides, video series, and other materials of general interest to participants. [Mere Lys](#) (the church newsletter) and the [Nora Church Facebook Page](#) provide up to date information about adult RE programs. All classes and discussions are open to any member or friend of the Nora Church community.