

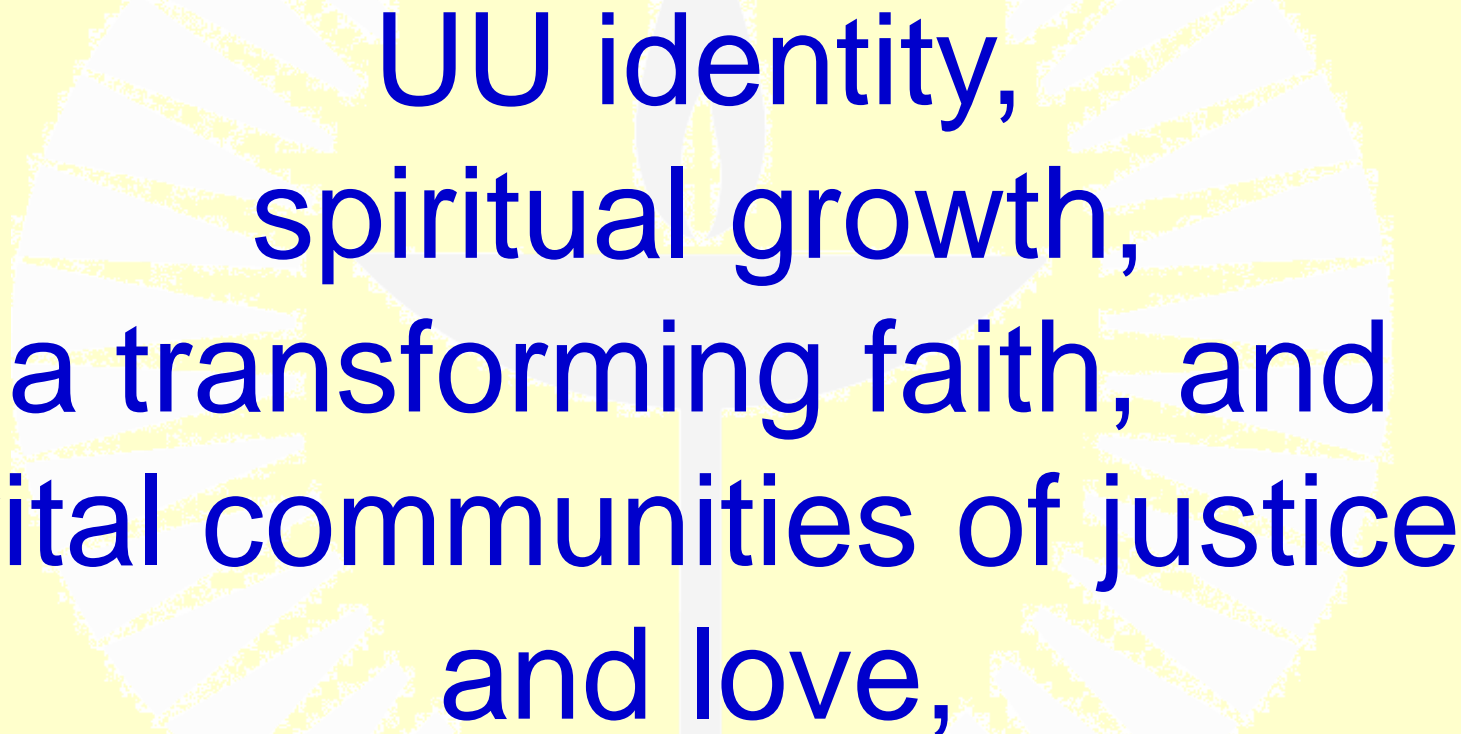


Tapestry of Faith

Weaving the Fabric of Our Faith

Tapestry of Faith nurtures . . .

UU identity,
spiritual growth,
a transforming faith, and
vital communities of justice
and love,



What's New about Tapestry?

**Tapestry
curricula are all
available free
online!**

What's New about Tapestry?



**Emphasizes
Community,
Interdependence,
and Relationship**

What's New about Tapestry?

Consistently uses

anti-racist

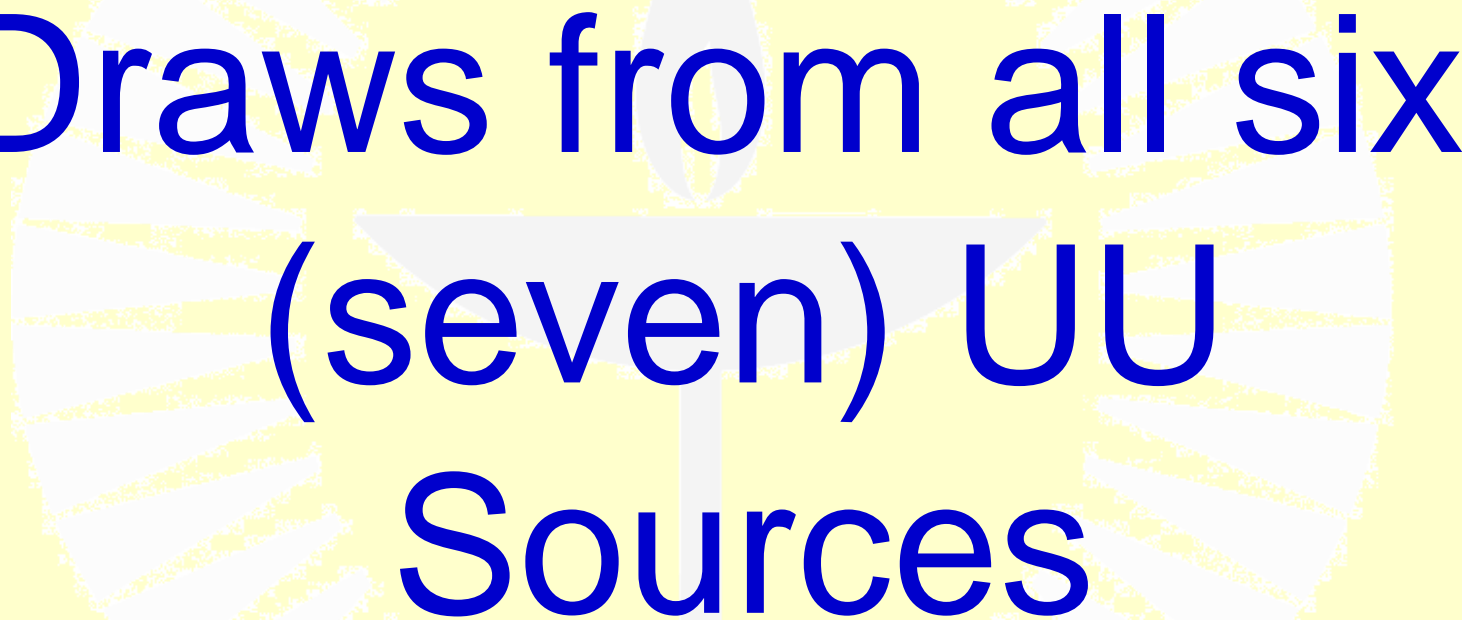
anti-oppressive

multi-cultural

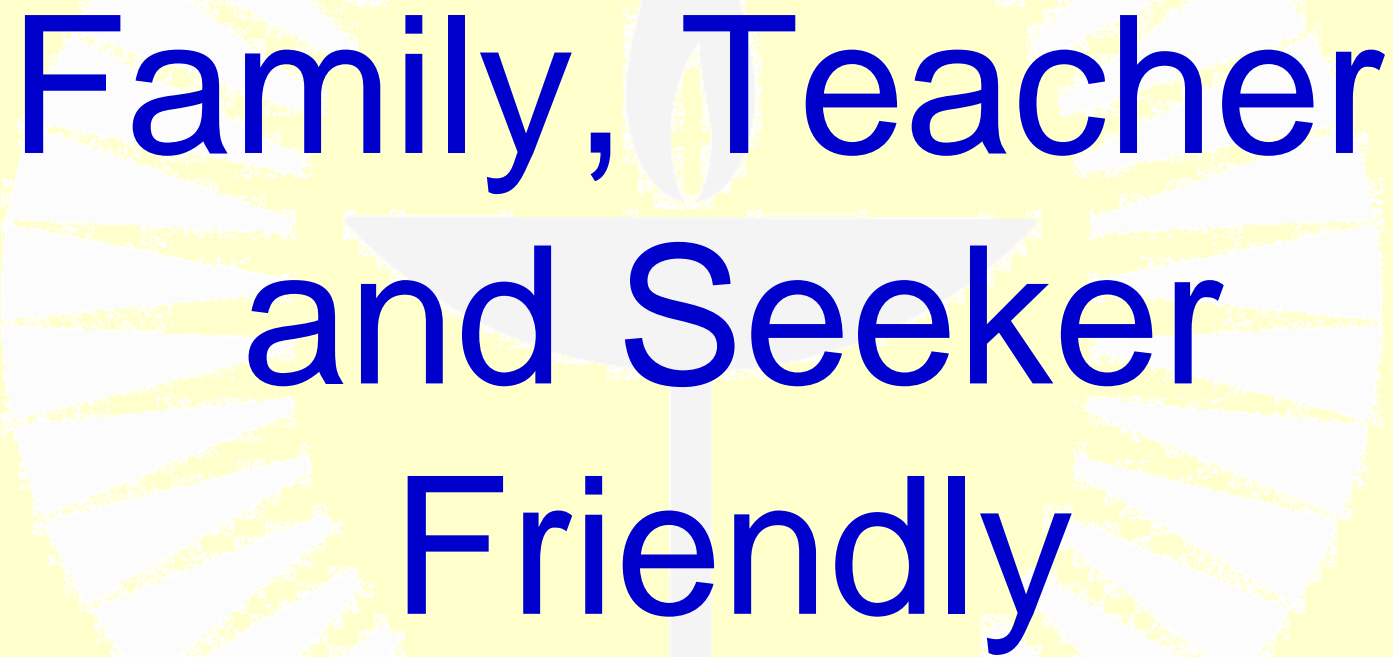
lenses

What's New about Tapestry?

Draws from all six
(seven) UU
Sources



What's New about Tapestry?



Family, Teacher
and Seeker
Friendly

What's New about Tapestry?



Intentional about
faith
development

What's New about Tapestry?



**Intentional about
UU growth**

What's New about Tapestry?



**Adaptable for
diverse
methodologies**

What's new about Tapestry of Faith?

Tapestry of Faith is focused on *outcomes* including . . .

- spiritual development,
- faith development,
- ethical development and
- UU Identity

What's new about Tapestry of Faith?

- **Spiritual Preparation**
- **Faith in Action**
- **Taking It Home**
- **Stories**

UU Identity

Sharing in the Living Tradition

Universalist Heritage:

Love, faith, hope

Unitarian Heritage:

Freedom, reason, tolerance

Principles and Sources

Ethical Development:

Becoming Our Best Selves

- Live our values & Principles
- Moral agency to make the world a better place
- Good stewards
- Good citizens
- Right relationship

Spiritual Development: The Longing of the Soul

Feelings of wonder, awe, mystery, holy

Connection to God, nature, ultimate,
transcendent

Sense of being part of something larger

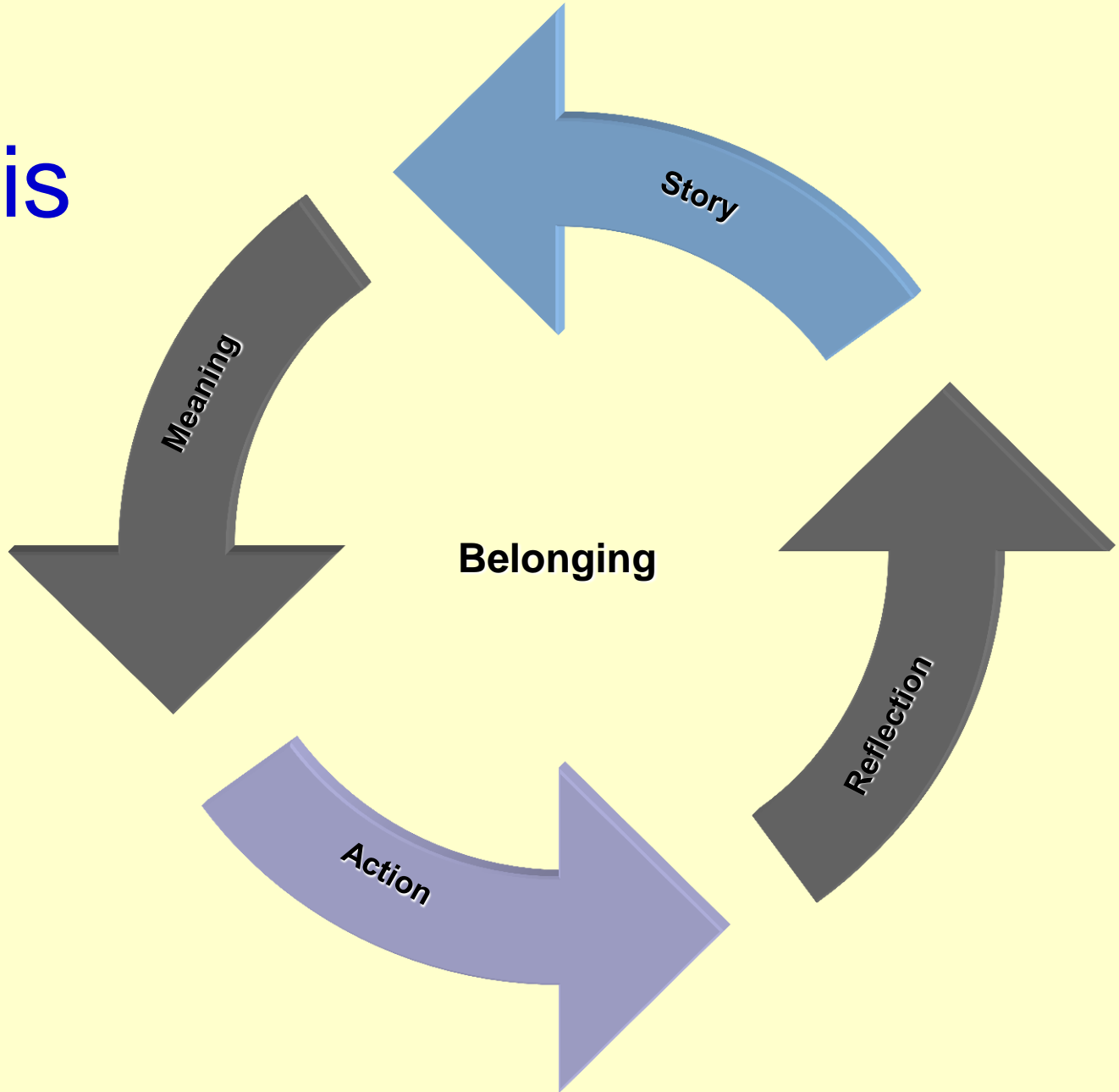
Spiritual mindfulness, practices

Worship, rituals, sacred texts

Faith Development: Growing in Faith Together

- Making meaning & finding purpose
- Acting on values, reflecting on action
- Addressing Big Religious Questions
- Exploring & articulating one's theology, philosophy, beliefs
- Knowing what I set my heart to

Praxis



We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

know that they are
lovable beings in
the service of life



We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

accept that they are
responsible for
a community of faith

We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

affirm that they are
part of a Unitarian
Universalist
religious heritage

We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

realize that they are
moral agents, acting
in the service of
diversity, justice and
compassion

We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

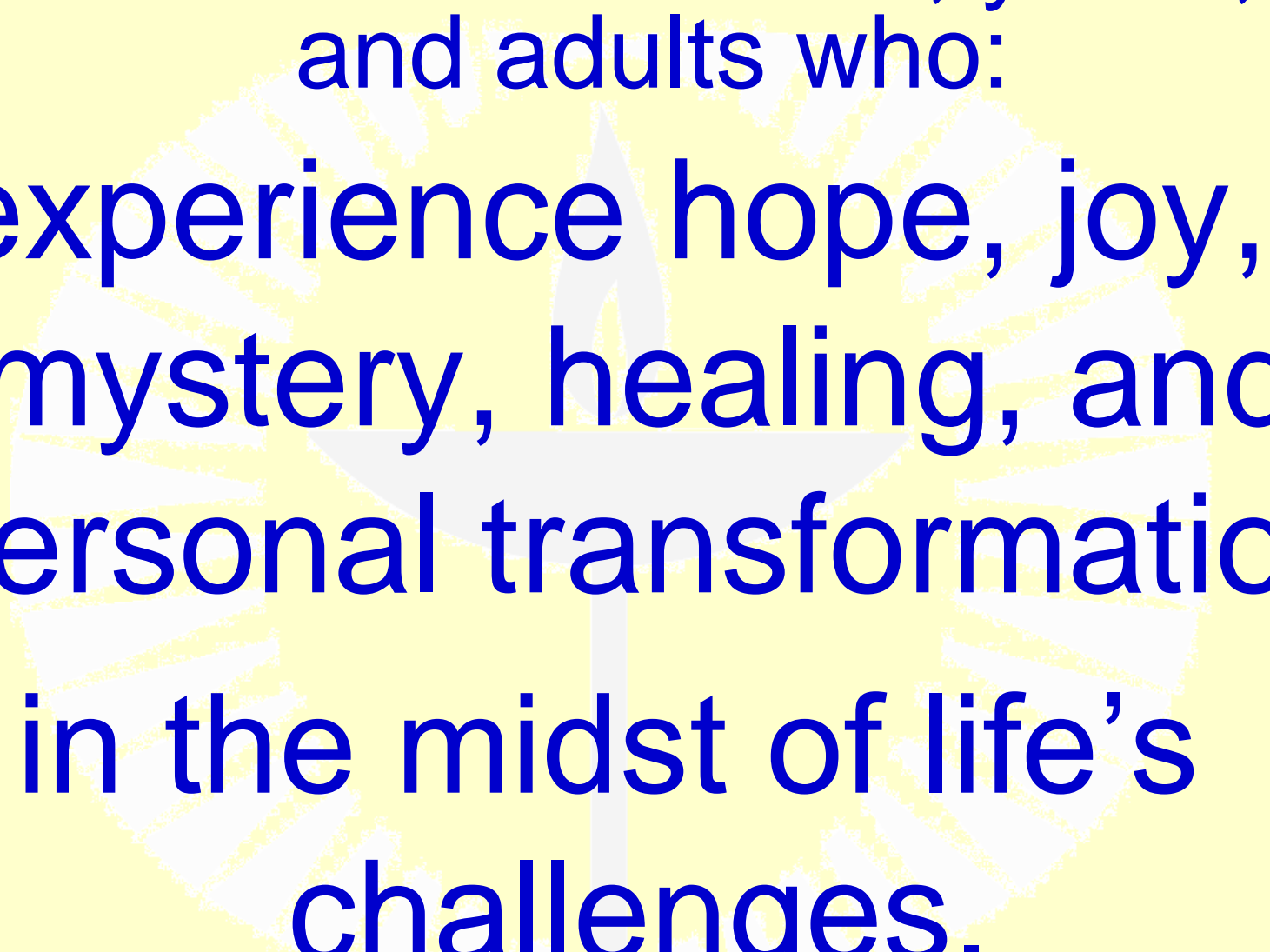
affirm the importance
of family,
community,
connection



We envision children, youth,
and adults who:

value spiritual
practice and living
faith





We envision children, youth,
and adults who:
experience hope, joy,
mystery, healing, and
personal transformation
in the midst of life's
challenges.

Toolbox of Faith Sessions

Duct tape symbolizes flexibility

Hammer symbolizes power

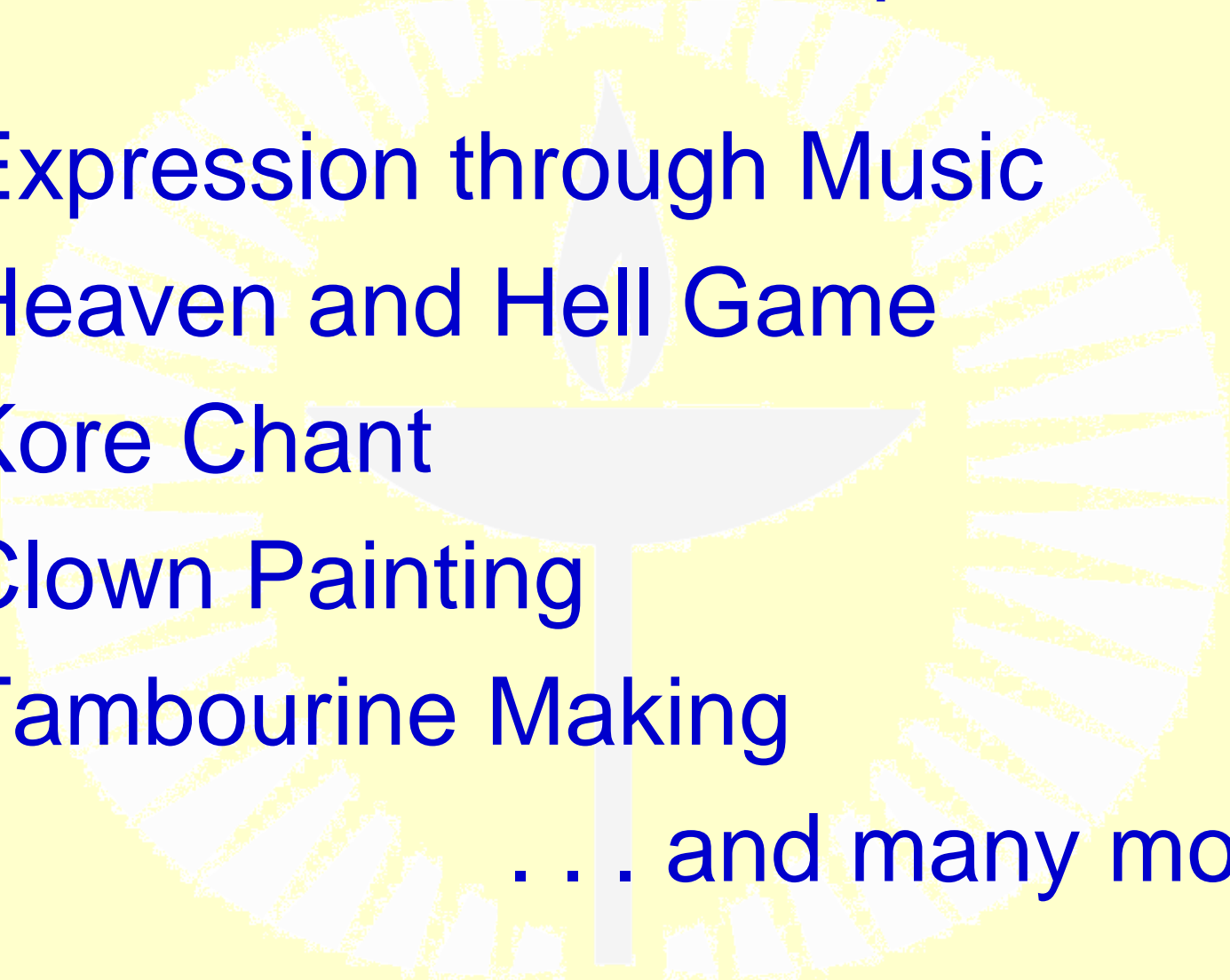
Seashell symbolizes listening

and 13 other sessions on Faith,
Questioning, Humor, and more...



Toolbox of Faith: Sample Activities

- Expression through Music
 - Heaven and Hell Game
 - Kore Chant
 - Clown Painting
 - Tambourine Making
- . . . and many more



Toolbox of Faith: Sample Stories

- Answer Mountain
 - Creation
 - Fire, Water, Truth, and Falsehood
 - Stargazer who Discovered a Comet
- . . . and many more

Toolbox of Faith: Sample Faith in Actions

- Integrity Bulletin Board
 - Candlelight Vigil
 - Oral History
 - Congregational Stewardship
- ... and many more



Youth Program: A Snapshot Families



For Jr. or Sr. High
Explores the functions of families, and includes a multi-generational photo-documentary project. 12 workshops

Authors:

Helen Bishop, Susan Grider, Tracey Hurd

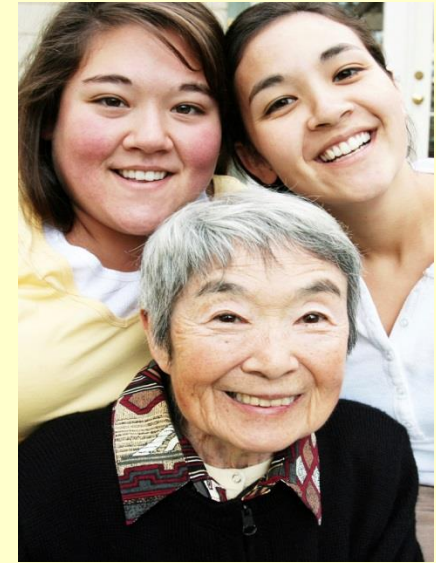
Families

Our Families

Methods of Gathering Narratives
And Texts

Claiming a
Point of View

and 9 other sessions on Families
Functions, Stories, Celebrations, and more...



Activities from Families

- Family Continuum
 - Creating a Group Covenant
 - Writing Family Prayers
 - Families, Emotions, and Change
 - Media Awareness
 - Photography as Interaction
- . . . and many more

Families: Sample Faith in Actions

- Absent Loved Ones
 - Honoring the Work of Families
 - Weight Discrimination
 - Identity in a Changing World
- ... and many more

Adult Program: A Snapshot Spirit in Practice



Multiple paths to
spiritual growth
from meditation to
social justice.
10 workshops

Author: Erik Walker Wikstrom

Spirit in Practice Workshops

Personal spiritual practices

Communal worship practices

Spirituality and the mind

Spirituality and the body

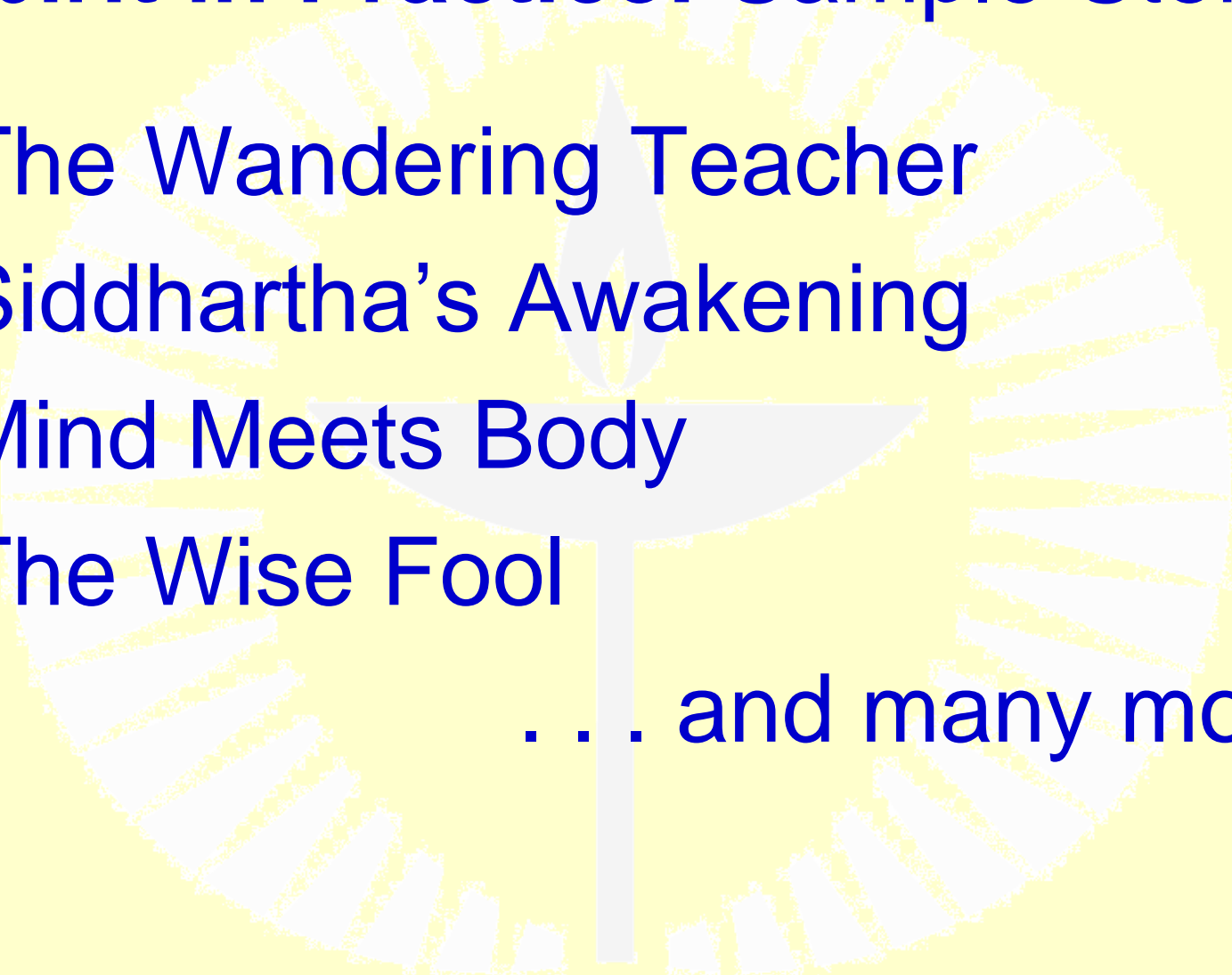
Spirituality and social justice



and 5 other workshops toward a rich and meaningful Unitarian Universalist spirituality

Spirit in Practice: Sample Stories

- The Wandering Teacher
 - Siddhartha's Awakening
 - Mind Meets Body
 - The Wise Fool
- . . . and many more



Spirit in Practice: Sample Activities

- Naming Our Experiences
 - Discussion with the Minister
 - The Mind and the Religious Journey
 - Justice Work as Spiritual Practice
- . . . and many more

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