

Greetings all,`

Happy Autumn! I apologize for being a week behind in getting this letter out and for not being able to be in person for the last 2 Sundays - we had Covid in my household (kids and husband) and then I came down with it a week later. I'm still in recovery and taking things slow, so it will be a while before I'm fully back on track.

There's so much great RE stuff happening this year, I can't wait for it all to get started! Our UU Magical school Silverthorn will be making an appearance (so to speak) in our Circle RE gatherings this year as we get close to Halloween. Get your cloaks and magic wands ready!

Our Youth Group start date will be Sunday, Oct. 9th at 1 PM at UUCSW (64 W. Main St., Westborough). Circle Youth Group is a radically-welcoming space open to all high school-aged youth in our communities. We'll be planning the year, so bring your ideas and creativity!

OWL has arrived!! Whoo-hoo!! With the help of many, many wonderful volunteers, we will be able to offer the Our Whole Lives (OWL) human sexuality program this year, not only for our Middle School youth but our High Schoolers as well (in a separate session), who never had the opportunity to take Middle School OWL (or didn't get to finish it) due to Covid.

High School OWL is being put together right now (!!!), and we're looking to offer sessions on Sunday evenings from the middle/end of October through December. We will be in touch with our High School families soon with details.

Middle School OWL will begin in the late winter and run through the spring of 2023. More details about both programs will be coming out, but please email me if you have any questions: cynthia.menard013@gmail.com

We are in need of nursery staff/classroom aides at UCMH in Hudson, and First Parish in Northboro!! If you know of anyone who enjoys spending time with younger children and is available to work Sunday mornings from 10 AM - 12 PM, please let me know!!

There will be a Zoom meeting for all RE Volunteers Thursday, Oct 13th at 7 PM. I'm looking forward to meeting with you all to talk about RE committees and some additions to our programs and resources to make volunteering in the classrooms as straightforward (and fun!) as possible. Even if you're not sure about volunteering this year, come join us if you're available and learn more!

Bright Blessings,

Cynthia