

Celebrating Religious Diversity - Unitarianism

These books have been specially selected for families to share with young children to develop an appreciation of the religious diversity in our community. This booklist was developed in cooperation with Surrey's Neighbouring Faiths Program. To learn more about SNFP and the 9 affiliated faith groups, please visit <http://www.snfp.ca>.

Because nothing looks like God
By Lawrence Kushner and Karen Kushner, illustrated by Dawn Majewski

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"Where is God?" * "What does God look like?" * "How does God make things happen?"
Mixing sparks of curiosity and spiritual imagination, this wondrous book lights children's creativity and shows how God is with us everyday, in every way. It is a vibrant invitation to children and their adults to explore - together - what, where, and how God is in our

lives.

26 big things small hands do
By Coleen Paratore, illustrated by Mike Reed

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As children learn and review their ABCs, they discover positive actions they can perform with their own small hands--such as applauding, building, giving gifts, helping, recycling, and volunteering.

Trout are made of trees
By April Pulley Sayre, illustrated by Kate Endle

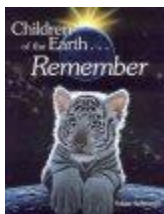
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"Leaves and bacteria, insects and fish, bears and people, too--we're all part of one big circle of growing and eating and living"

Children of the Earth—remember
By Schim Schimmel

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Out of love and concern for their planet, the animals and people of Mother Earth work together to protect the natural world. *Children of the Earth Remember* is a tender lesson of sharing and protecting the Earth, enhanced with stunning artwork.

The three questions
Written and illustrated by Jon J. Muth

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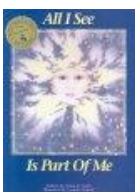


Nikolai is a boy who believes that if he can find the answers to his three questions, he will always know how to be a good person. His friends--a heron, a monkey, and a dog--try to help, but to no avail, so he asks Leo, the wise old turtle. "When is the best time to do things? Who is the most important one? What is the right thing to do?" Leo doesn't answer directly, but by the end of Nikolai's visit, the boy has discovered the answers

himself.

All I see is part of me
Words by Chara M. Curtis, illustrations by Cynthia Aldrich

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A little boy discovers that all of creation is a part of him and he is a part of all creation.

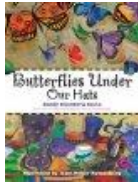
What makes me a Unitarian?
By Morgan E. Hughes



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Discusses the origins, beliefs, and practices of the Unitarian Universalists.

Butterflies under our hats
By Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, illustrations by Joani Keller Rothenberg

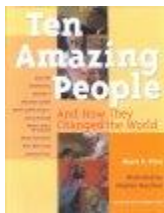


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Chelm is a town without luck until the day a beautiful red-haired woman with a purple hat shows the residents that there is something even better.

Ten amazing people : and how they changed the world
By Maura D. Shaw, illustrations by Stephen Marchesi

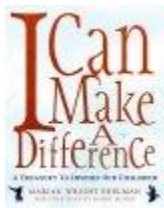
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Introduces the lives and work of ten influential religious leaders from around the world.

I can make a difference : a treasury to inspire our children
Selected by Marian Wright Edelman, illustrations by Barry Moser

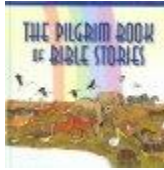
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Through a review of actions by others in the past, young readers learn how individual acts of courage, even though small in appearance, can have a great effect on one's life and the lives of those nearby.

The Pilgrim Book of Bible Stories **By Mark Water**

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The great stories of the Bible retold using a fresh approach that roots the stories and the art in the historical context of their times. Based on the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, these stories feature gender-inclusive language for God and humanity. A "Read-the-Story-for-Yourself" section on each page highlights corresponding Bible references to the overall text.

How does God listen? **By Kay Lindahl, full-color photographs by Cynthia Maloney**

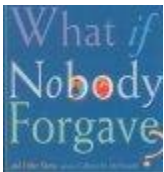
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Everyday examples of using the sense of taste, touch, and hearing explains the knowledge that God is always listening.

What if nobody forgave? : and other stories **Edited by Colleen M. McDonald**

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Unitarian Universalism is a really long name **Written by Jennifer Dant, illustrated by Anne Carter**

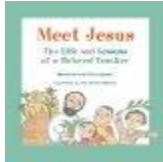
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Introduces the Unitarian Universalist religion, describing the beliefs upon which it was founded, how its members worship, and how they serve their community.

Meet Jesus : the life and lessons of a beloved teacher
Written by Lynn Tuttle Gunney, illustrated by Jane Conteh-Morgan

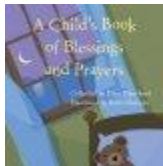
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Presents the story of Jesus, from his birth in Bethlehem, through his years of preaching and teaching, to his crucifixion and resurrection.

A child's book of blessings and prayers
Collected by Eliza Blanchard

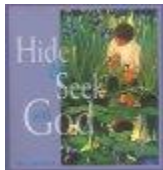
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Prayers for every day—giving thanks, seeking help & expressing care for the earth & all living things. Drawn from all around the world—from Hindu, Sioux, Islamic, Jewish, Christian & Unitarian Universalist traditions, beautifully illustrated in full color by Rocco Baviera.

Hide-and-peek with God : A Collection of Stories for Children
By Mary Ann Moore

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God comes alive in a variety of multicultural, non-sexist forms -- as transcendent mystery, the mother and father of life, peace and silence, light and darkness, and more. Perfect for exploring the religious questions of curious youngsters. Twenty-nine enchanting tales suitable for four- to eight-year-olds.
