

FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF HOUSTON

PATH TO MEMBERSHIP

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WE'RE GLAD YOU FOUND US!

WELCOME TO FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF HOUSTON!


Unitarian Universalism is a covenantal faith. We make promises to each other about how we will treat each other and live in the world. At the same time, we do not ask that we have the same set of beliefs: "we need not think alike to love alike!" Right now is an exciting time at First Unitarian Universalist because we are in the process of developing a new congregational covenant. When you become a member you can be part of the important conversation about what it means to be part of our congregation!

We invite you to join us as you explore our faith tradition, learn more about First Unitarian Universalist and consider making us your spiritual home.

MEMBERS ENJOY MANY BENEFITS

Members have an active voice in determining the direction of our community by having voting privileges at our annual meeting. You can provide leadership beyond your vote by serving on the Board or a Board Committee.

Celebrations and Rites of Passage, such as Weddings, Memorial Services, and Children's Blessings, and for which non-members are assessed fees, are gratis and another benefit of membership.




We ask that those interested in membership follow these four steps. This is so you can get to know us and what we have to offer, so the ministers, staff, and other congregants can get to know you, and to let you know what is expected of those who become members.

STEPS TO MEMBERSHIP

1. ATTEND OUR INQUIRERS SERIES

The first step is to attend at least three of our Inquirers Series sessions, including **Membership 101**. **Membership 101** is also offered via Zoom; send an email to membership@firstuu.org to receive the Zoom link. The Inquirers Series sessions are held Sundays a few minutes after each service and rotate through several topics.



2. FILL OUT A MEMBER PROFILE FORM

This two-page form is sent to you digitally and can be filled out online.







On this form, we ask you for your contact information, privacy preferences, issues that you are most interested in, and which First Unitarian Universalist groups you may want to join. This form can also be requested by email at membership@firstuu.org.



3. MAKE A PLEDGE COMMITMENT

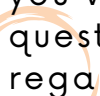
First Houston asks each member to donate not only of their time and talent, but part of their 'treasure' as well. Each Spring, we ask you to pledge for the upcoming fiscal year, thus allowing the Senior Minister and Board of Directors to create a budget. Our church depends on the generosity of all its members and friends. We acknowledge the wide range of economic circumstances members may face, therefore, all pledge amounts are accepted and welcomed. You can even make your pledge online on our website.





4. CONVERSATION WITH THE SENIOR MINISTER

The ministers want to be sure to be able to put names with faces, and learn more about you! As a new member, you will have the opportunity to talk to our Senior Minister about what has led you to join our church. This is an informal conversation where you will also be able to ask questions you may have regarding First Houston.



NEED HELP?

Let us know if you have any questions regarding our church community or the membership process. Our offices are open 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, and during the services on Sunday.

You may reach us at 713-526-5200, or via email at membership@firstuu.org or info@firstuu.org.



A LIBERAL RELIGION FOR DIVERSE FAMILIES

With a history dating back over a century, First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston is an inclusive, supportive spiritual community.

We provide the opportunity for individuals and families to take part in life-changing experiences every weekend through authentic worship, a practical message, and the opportunity to dive deeper into the rituals of the day-to-day. We live out our values by working to improve the lives of oppressed and underserved peoples, both near and far, through our social justice programs.

Whether you've just begun your spiritual journey or well along your path, we hope you decide to join us at First Houston to make connections, build your spiritual life, and work with us to make the world a better place.

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