

These resources and ideas are tied to the theme and offer ways for you to engage with the worship series throughout the week.

### **EXPLORE THROUGHOUT THE WEEK**

#### Books / Poetry

Look for some of these titles on Overdrive, offered free with a Sno-Isle Library card.

- Big Cat, Little Cat by Elisha Cooper
- The Rabbit Listened by Cori Doerrfeld
- When Sadness is At Your Door by Eva Eland
- <u>I Miss My Grandpa</u> by Jin Xiaojing
- Pass it On by Sophie Henn
- <u>Vole and Troll</u> by Iza Trapani
- <u>I Haiku You</u> by Betsy E. Snyder
- Anh's Anger by Gail Silver

#### <u>Movies</u>

- Ride Like A Girl
- Spies in Disguise
- Turtle Odyssey
  - Birders
- The Biggest Little Farm

#### <u>Movement</u>

How many of us are using screens and devices more than ever? Let's counter the typcial posture with some back bends.

-<u>Cobra Pose</u> - lay on your belly, place your hands under your shoulders, and lift yourself up, pushing lightly with your hands, using your back muscles to curve your middle back, look up gently

- <u>Back Bends</u> - this video shows a progression of movements that lead to a full back bend.



<u>Craft</u>

These <u>blank comic book pages</u> can be used to document in a graphic way the events of the lockdown. Have you done anything differently since we've had to stay home? Have any new or unique experiences to record? This could be a fun way to get some thoughts out on paper, be they lonely, funny, sad, frustrating, or dull.

#### Songs / Music

- <u>"Surfin' In My Imagination"</u> by Ralph's World
- <u>"My Pet Rock"</u> by Recess Monkey
- <u>"Opposite Day"</u> by Stevesongs
- <u>"There's a Word For That"</u> or <u>"I Don't Like"</u> by Bare Naked Ladies

#### Connecting with Our Faith

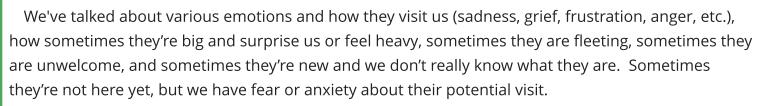
How familiar are you with our Principles? This <u>"Handy Guide"</u> by Emily and Ella Jones, a mother and daughter in another UU congregation, are a fun way to help us remember.

#### **Spiritual Practice**

Loving kindness is an ancient Buddhist practice (metta) that involves sending love and light of kindness to the self, to those we love, to those we don't know well, and to those with whom we have difficulties. <u>This</u> <u>guided loving kindness meditation</u> by Jen Sievers was made to help us center during the coronavirus pandemic. Do you recognize any of the words from the worship Song of Response for Joys & Sorrows?

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

Our RE Gatherings since we've gone virtual have shifted from working with the themes of the Worship Services to basing lessons on what's needed, what's realistic, and what's helpful.



We've talked about doing kind deeds and being sneaky about them (April Fool's Day inspired), and we've challenged each other to do something sneaky nice for family or neighborhood foiks. We talked about Earth Day; we explored the idea of boredom and how it doesn't really serve us, doesn't fully capture the emotions we have that are more accurately described as not knowing what to do (lack of direction), not having anything to do (not wanting to do what's available), nothing going on (relying on someone else to provide entertainment for us.) We talked about reframing the experience to consider that category of emotions as a blank canvas, ripe with possibility, and challenged the kids to shift their own perspectives from "I'm bored" to "I'm in a space of infinite possibility", to sit in that potentially uncomfortable space until they become inspired.

# PLAYING WITH THE SEASON

*Riddle Rhyme* by Marilyn Helmer I peek from the grass like a bright yellow sun, but I'll turn into fluff before summer is done.

Q: Why was the strawberry sad?

A: Its mom was in a jam.



### **A TIME TO LAUGH**

Q: What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

Q: What's a tornadoes favorite dance?

A: Bugs Bunny.

A: The Twist.



