

"a question was asked about recommended books on Unitarian Universalism for people who are relatively new to this denomination."

This is the list of books I've put together to hand out at our New to UU class.

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UU Books of Note

To view the complete Beacon Press catalog, you can go online at www.uua.org/bookstore.

A Chosen Faith: An Introduction to Unitarian Universalism.

John Buehrens and Forrest Church

This set of essays is an excellent introduction to UU culture and philosophy. The book is organized around the six sources of our faith practice. It provides a collective insight to UU culture and philosophy. Highly recommended.

The Unitarian Universalist Pocket Guide

Edited by John Buehrens

This book contains essays on faith, heritage, worship, religious education, ministry and important dates in UU history.

Being Liberal in an Illiberal Age

Jack Mendelsohn

A minister for over fifty years, Mendelsohn writes with conviction and eloquence in defense of liberal religion and discusses what draws people to Unitarian Universalism.

Challenge of a Liberal Faith

George Marshall

A popular introduction and study guide to UUism offers a review of the denominations history and beliefs. Includes chapter guides with study questions, outlines, index and bibliography.

A Stream of Light: A Short History of American Unitarianism

Conrad Wright

Unitarian thought from 1805 to the merger in 1961.

Questions for the Religious Journey - Finding your own Path

George Kimmel Beach

Based on the belief that "an authentic religion is a questioning religion", this book offers tools for religious introspection. It is useful as a starting point and as a resource to revisit as our perspectives shift.

The Larger Faith - A Short History of American Universalism

Charles A. Howe

Covers the first gathering in 1793 of people who called themselves "Universalists" to the 1961 merger with the American Unitarian Association to present day UUism. Addresses the struggles of a new religion, women pioneers, early missionary efforts, involvement with social concerns and the founding of a theological school.

Unitarian Universalism - A Narrative History

David E. Bumbaugh

An overview of Unitarian, Universalism, and Unitarian Universalism from their beginnings in Europe to the end of the twentieth century, told in an accessible and readable way.

With Purpose and Principle - Essays about the Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism

Edited by Edward Frost

This book contains a short history of the Principles and Purposes followed by essays from present day UU leaders including John Buehrens, Marilyn Sewell, Earl Holt and Barbara Merritt.