

Did You Know...?
Joining a UU congregation is unique.
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In many religions, joining a church, synagogue, or temple means conversion. That conversion often has quite specific requirements; sometimes you have to reject any other religious affiliations, be baptized, accept a specific creed, agree to worship a specific deity, repent for your sins, or participate in intensive study.

As Unitarian Universalists, anyone who visits a worship service is known as a friend. Friends can attend services, volunteer at church events, and participate in religious education. Members can vote at our annual meeting, hold leadership positions, and belong to a greater movement. Both friends and members commit their time, talent, and treasure in order to support our community.

Moving from friendship to membership does not involve a test of faith or devotion to a religious creed. Instead, becoming a member involves just three things: agreeing to strive to affirm the Seven Principles, signing the membership book, and pledging to give of their time, talent, and treasure on a yearly basis.

