



## FALL 2010 ONLINE COURSE

# Dynamic Youth Ministry

## *Geared toward Unitarian Universalists*

An online course that is:

- Recommended for all religious leaders, both new and old to youth ministry
- Lively and interactive
- Grounds students in theological, ethical and programmatic aspects of youth ministry
- Geared toward Unitarian Universalists but open to all
- Embodies a youth ministry that is a vibrant, robust and flexible part of every congregation



Learn about:

- Youth leadership and spiritual development
- Professional support for youth advisors
- Adolescent life issues
- Multi-generational community building
- Various models of youth programming

Course structure will include interviews with special guest clergy, religious educators, youth advisors and youth, group work and a practice component. Begins September 7 2010. To register for EDFT-8462, e-mail course instructors at [mdowdell@ses.gtu.edu](mailto:mdowdell@ses.gtu.edu) and [bruetersward@gmail.com](mailto:bruetersward@gmail.com).



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**Betty Jeanne Rueters-Ward** is a lifelong Unitarian Universalist and full-time Youth and Young Adult Program Coordinator at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Shelter Rock. She is a graduate of the newly-established Master of Arts in Religious Leadership for Social Change at Starr King. As a Youth Programs Specialist for the Unitarian Universalist Association, Betty Jeanne coordinated continental conferences, trainings and social justice initiatives. She has also served as a youth advisor at the First Unitarian Church of Oakland.

Megan and Betty Jeanne bring over two decades of experience in youth ministry. Individually and as a team, they have consulted with Unitarian Universalist congregations and districts on multigenerational community building and youth ministry. They have taught Dynamic Youth Ministry at Starr King and for religious educators at The Mountain Retreat Center, thanks to a generous grant from the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta, Ga. **Betty Jeanne and Megan are available for consulting and teaching in youth ministry and multigenerational community building for congregational, camp, conference, district, and national organizations.**