

Some welcoming details

Bring your lunch

These forums take place at **noon** so that working folks and others can “brown-bag” it. The forums will each last 1 hour.

Please respect the Temple and do not bring pork or shellfish products.

Invite your friends

Anyone is welcome to attend, listen and ask questions, from any faith tradition or no faith tradition.

Where is Temple Beth Shalom?

2010 W. Koch St
Bozeman, MT 59718
(behind Albertson's)

From downtown Bozeman, take Main Street west to the 19th Avenue intersection. Turn left (south) onto 19th Avenue. Go two blocks south to West Koch Street. Turn right (west) on West Koch St and go one and one half blocks. The temple parking lot is on the left.

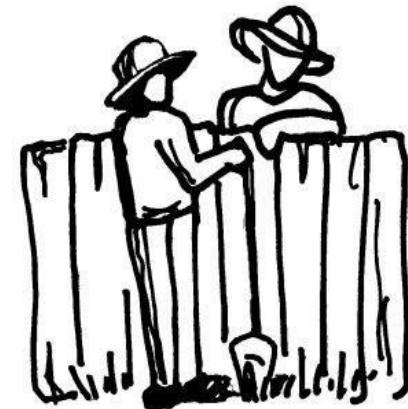
Where to park

If the parking lot is full, please park on the street.

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Talking with Neighbors

*An Interfaith Forum
for people of Gallatin Valley*



First Wednesdays
Noon — 1 pm
Sept — May

*Listening to and learning
from one another*

2016-2017 Topics

Living in a multi-religious world, learning from one another



What do we have in common?

How do we differ?

How can we live in community with one another?

In a world growing smaller, in a nation becoming more and more multi-religious, in a community becoming more diverse, it is important to understand our neighbors, their values and their traditions.

The purposes of the Interfaith Forum are:

1. To demonstrate visible respect for one another
2. To emphasize our commonalities
3. To celebrate and learn from our differences

September 7

The urgency of interfaith dialogue

Why is it important for us to talk with one another?
With Dave Johnston, LDS, and Sally Loble, Baha'i

October 5

Gender, sexuality, and faith

Our culture is talking a lot about gender and sexuality: what do our religious faiths contribute?
With the Rev. Duffy Peet, Unitarian-Universalist

November 2

The Power of Words

Are words "just" words, or do they have power? What wisdom do our varied traditions offer?
With Floyd Fantelli, Buddhist, and the Rev. Joel Seifert, Lutheran (WELS)

December 7

"Caravan," by Carol Lynn Pearson

Enjoy "A Happy Journey Through the Wisdom Tales of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam."
Premiered at 2015 Parliament of Religions.

January 4

Climate change: A religious issue?

What is the role of religion in discussions and finding solutions to climate change?
With the Rev. Duffy Peet, Unitarian-Universalist

February 1

Jesus

The central figure of the Christian faith: who is he to others?
With Dave Johnston, LDS, Tom Wells Buddhist, and the Rev. Joel Seifert (WELS)

March 8 (THIS IS A 2nd WED!)

Intermarriage

What happens when we marry outside our faith?
With Florence Guest, Sufi

April 5

Passover

Does this Jewish festival play a role in other faiths?

May 3

Why are we hopeful?

What are the reasons for hope our religious traditions offer?
With Sally Loble, Baha'i, and Karen DeCotis, Buddhist

Panel Participants 2016—2017

Rabbi Ed Stafman has been rabbi at Congregation Beth Shalom since 2008. For many years a trial lawyer in Florida, he also holds a masters degree in religion and has completed the coursework for a PhD in Religion of Western Antiquity.

Dr. Ruhul Amin is Professor of Mechanical Engineering at MSU. He is president of the Islamic Center of Bozeman and faculty advisor for the Muslim Student Association. He is a native of Bangladesh.

The Rev. Jody McDevitt has been co-pastor of First Presbyterian Church (PC(USA)) since 1997. Her theology degrees are from McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. She was ordained in 1988.

The Rev. Leo Proxell has been pastor of Holy Rosary Catholic Church for 15 years. He was ordained in 1973 and has served parishes in western Montana. His 9 years of campus ministry at Carroll College included 3 years of teaching theology.

Invited guest panelists

Accommodating the rich religious diversity of Bozeman in a one-hour format is challenging. We are pleased that each month additional local religious leaders will be joining us.

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