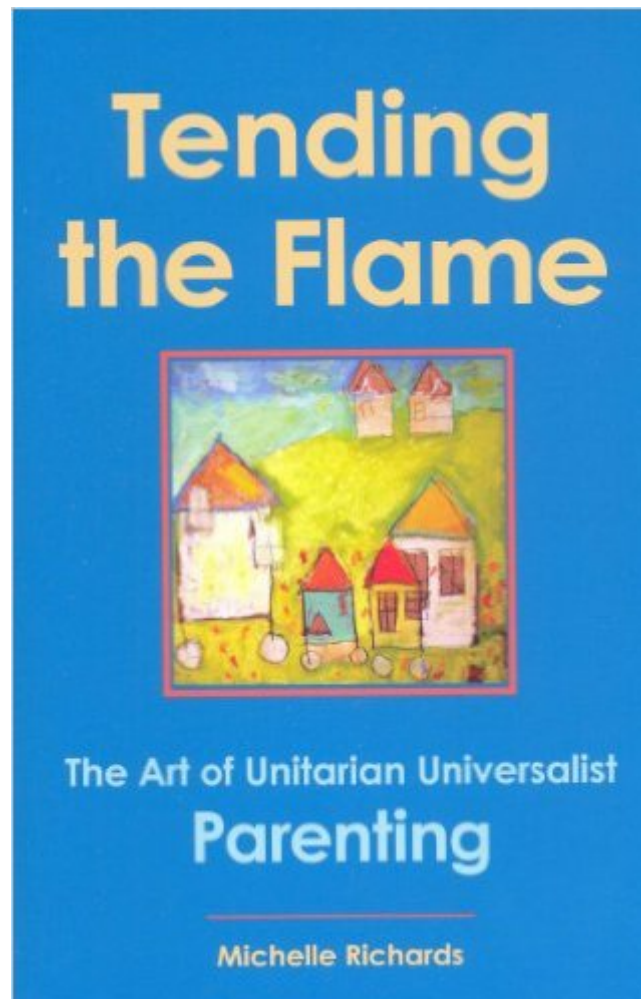


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# Tending The Flame: The Art Of Unitarian Universalist Parenting



## Synopsis

In this first-of-its-kind guide to Unitarian Universalist parenting, mother and experienced religious educator Michelle Richards encourages a practical and proactive approach to raising Unitarian Universalist children. Includes information about developmental stages, suggestions for incorporating spiritual practices into family life, teaching the Principles in age-appropriate ways, answering difficult questions on religious matters and dealing with religious disagreements.

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I only joined the Unitarian Universalist Church a few years ago and I wasn't sure what UU parenting might entail since it is such a vastly inclusive religion. I was thrilled to see the way it was portrayed in *Tending the Flame* was very in line with what I was already trying to do. True to UU style, this book is very inclusive of varying traditions from Pagan to Atheist to Christian and everything in between, as well as sensitive to an array of family structures and individual identities. As a complement to this inclusiveness, the author also develops a distinct sense of parenting community, acknowledging our joint beliefs and traditions, like interconnectedness of all beings and the lighting of the chalice. My children are very young and this book addressed some of the issues I'm already confronting, like creating our own family traditions and living our values. It also addressed topics that are to come up in the next few years and as our children grow into adulthood. In a very practical way, this included a walk through the Principles and the big life questions. There is also a section on Interfaith families and a great list of books for further reading. Michelle Richards's advice is hands-on and immediately applicable to real life situations. *Tending the Flame* is concise and

well-organized for quick reference, which are both important features for busy parents! I highly recommend it to any parents who want to raise their children with compassion and spiritual awareness. I'll certainly be keeping it close at hand for the adventurous years ahead.

i don't come across many UU parenting books, so i snatched this up when i found it. i'm really glad i did.

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