

“A Reflection of the University Mind” (February 1931)

We Believe

That there is only one source of authority for any philosophy of life—validated human experience.

That religion consists in the daily quest of the good life here and now, lived in the light of truth without equivocation, and in the effort to see life in its entirety.

In the attempt to enrich and improve the life of all [hu]mankind, by the search for and application of the truths of human experience, wherever they may lead, even if this means rejection of established and time-honored concepts.

In honoring all great teachers of truth and in promulgating great truths from whatever source derived, not in emphasizing the teaching of merely one sect or creed.

In the continual readjustment of ideas to new truths in all fields of thought and in the necessity of struggling for the freedom of the human mind, for freedom of thought, freedom of speech and freedom of the press at all times.

Therefore,

since the Unitarian Church is a creedless fellowship of liberal religion, free to change with increasing knowledge, we are happy to be part of this group which looks always to the conquest of ignorance, evil, and suffering, to the unfolding of the highest powers of [hu]mankind and to the banishment of false and obsolete creeds, practices and institutions.

Source: “[The Story of Our First Hundred Years](#),” By Marjorie Reade (1990)