RRUU Behavioral Covenant

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We, the members of Red River Unitarian Universalist Church, affirm that *in our interactions with* each other:

- We will communicate with respect and genuine positive regard
 - By recognizing positive characteristics in others
 - o By giving and receiving both information and opinion with respect
 - o By separating our feelings about people from our opinions of their behavior
 - By considering others' perspectives
 - By respecting each other's privacy and need for confidentiality
- We will communicate with care to preserve our sense of community and belonging
 - o By supporting the congregation, its mission, and vision
 - By looking for common ground
 - By participating actively while reserving the right to pass
 - o By expecting and accepting unfinished business
- We will communicate with autonomy to preserve our personal and collective integrity
 - o By speaking from our own experiences
 - o By practicing forgiveness and finding our own absolution
 - o By recognizing when to let go
 - o By maintaining clear boundaries and monitoring our own status within this covenant

Further, we resolve that in our interactions with one another there is no room for assumptions, judgments, accusations, side conversations, or triangulated communication.