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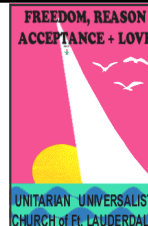
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Unitarian Universalist Church of Ft Lauderdale
Mission Statement:

To come together as a caring community and sanctuary
for seekers of spiritual growth, truth, and meaning.



President's Message

"A bridge of silver wings stretches from the dead ashes of an unforgiving nightmare to the jeweled vision of a life started anew."

— Aberjhani, *Journey through the Power of the Rainbow Quotations from a Life Made Out of Poetry*



In opening I would like to say how grateful I am that our community made it through the storm and aftermath of Hurricane Irma with most of us being relatively unscathed. Some of us were challenged more than others. During the aftermath, we were there for each other with emotional and physical support. The recent times have been trying and traumatic for all of us here in South Florida throughout the middle of Hurricane Season 2017. Recovery is an important phase of the traumatic experience. We are wise when we take time to process, talk and console others. This is especially important when we have a social conscience and a community we care deeply about. I was impressed with the contact that we kept with each other and the caring that was shown throughout the Hurricane

and then afterward as a caring community, which enabled us to maintain taking care of each other when and where it was needed. This is such an important part of the fabric of a community such as ours.

We are moving forward with our All-Committee/Board Meeting in October (re-scheduled from September due to Hurricane Irma). This is another way we can contribute and show how much we care about our internal community and church's functional structure. During this initial meeting, the Board and the Committees will be interacting and working on developing a deeper and more effective relationship in which we can be more communicative and assist each other better in increasing the quality of the way we work together. This is part of our ongoing effort to become a healthier, more effective community with more meaningful relationships and better service to each other and then to others.

These are processes and goals we identified in the development of our long-range plan, a real cogent growing process in which our entire community benefits. Please find out how you can continue to assist your community inside our church and outside. In times of trauma we all need to feel that other people are there and care for us. Go forth and continue to be awesome...Blessed be.

Sandy Lange

Rev. Susan's Space

We In 1980, John Lennon wrote in his song "Beautiful Boy" the sentiment "Life is what happens to you while you are busy making other plans." The actual source of this quotation seems to be comic strip artist Allen Saunders as quoted in a 1957 *Reader's Digest*.

In the song dedicated to his son Sean, Lennon assures the beautiful boy that the monsters are gone and contextualizes the quote in a fatherly warning:

Before you cross the street, take my hand.
Life is what happens to you while you are busy making other plans.

And so, after the disruption of experiencing Hurricane Irma and the distress of witnessing Hurricanes Harvey, José, and Maria, it has been hard to pick up the thread of what we thought September might have been. We've had services, events, meetings, and listening sessions cancelled. Some were rescheduled; some moments have passed that cannot be retrieved.

I hope that you will look over this issue of the *Journey* carefully to see how many of the things you thought you had missed that will be happening sometime in October. We've rescheduled the Listening Sessions on our Visioning work. You can find a link to the report on which the Committee on Ministry and Board want your input on the home page of our website. Please stay after church on October 8 or 15 to make your contribution to this phase of the planning process.

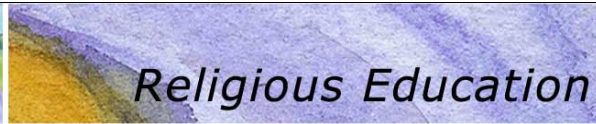
Perhaps you find your own life unsettled as well. It's not uncommon to catch a cold or virus just when you stop functioning in crisis mode. The resting state seems to provide the opportunity for the bugs to take hold. Even if you did not suffer greatly during the hurricanes, please do not underestimate the strain of an extended period of sympathizing with the plight of others. It is easy to become overwhelmed.

Yes, it is important to pick up all the work of our lives individually and as a congregation. It is equally important to rest, reflect, and renew. Though I do not think that bad things happen to teach us lessons, I would hate to waste the stress and pains of life by not learning from them. What have you learned? How are you attending to your own spiritual and emotional needs?

The monsters have gone, but it's still a good idea to hold someone's hand.

Blessings,
Rev. Susan





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Well, it's been a bit of a wild ride, but it is time for all of us to put on our thinking caps and figure out how to fix up our homes and yards, our neighborhoods, our communities, our church, and our whole world. I know many of our members have problems with their abodes and yards, and I am feeling blessed that we only lost a fence and some landscaping, and were only without power for a few days. We have to think of our neighbors in the other parts of Florida who have flooded and muck-filled homes, our neighbors in the Caribbean who have almost nothing left and our friends and neighbors in the Florida Keys who have never seen anything like they are looking at right now. For those who have the means, be generous with your time and treasure to help all those who need help, especially those who have the highest level of need. As is always true, while these kinds of disasters don't spare anyone, if you are a person without means, the impact is much greater. Even as this is happening, we have to try to get back to our BI (before Irma) lives. We had some delays to the start of our church year, but we are finally moving forward. This year the kids are going to be doing some special projects during their Sunday morning RE and we are going to be needing adult help to make them all happen. Our first task is our "7 Principles Playground Bench". We have the bench; we need to sand it a bit, paint the slats with rainbow colors, and then paint the slats with the kids' 7 Principles. It will be a great addition to the playground, especially as the weather begins to cool; the kids can spend time there after church and parents can sit and enjoy the day. We need two adults who can give up a few weeks of Sunday services and come back and supervise the kids in this effort. We will be doing a special Sunday service called "The Council of All Beings" in November, which you will be hearing more about from Rev. Susan, but I need two adults who will come back and work with the kids while they choose their "totems" and then help them construct a costume, hat, etc. to represent it for the service. Finally, we are doing a pageant (yay, who doesn't love kids forgetting their lines while wearing unrecognizable costumes?) to celebrate the Winter Solstice. We are calling all UUCFL thespians and those who would just like to participate in any way that they can. We will need at least two adults who will come back on Sunday and work with the kids on their scripts, costumes, sets, and all that goes into such an endeavor. If any of these particular projects appeals to you, please track me down and let me know. Keep in mind, I will be tracking some of you down even if you don't volunteer!!! Let's head into our upcoming holiday season with hopes for a loving and peace-filled time and let's use all of our talents to make it so. Love and blessings,

DRE Susan

Spooky Fun!!

Pumpkin Carving October 29, 2017 12:00 Noon, after Service

We will be once again carving pumpkins on Sunday, October 29th, 2017 at 12:00 noon after the Sunday Samhain service. Bring a pumpkin, yourself, and your ideas, and prepare to create a masterpiece. We will provide tools, paints, markers, and the fellowship that will make it extra special. Even if you don't want to carve one yourself, join in and help one of the kids, or another adult who wants to share. This has always been one of our best loved church activities so please join us for this Intergenerational event.

Info or questions DRE Susan Dirgins-Friend
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October Children's Calendar

Sunday October 1, 11:00am
 7 Principles Bench Project

Sunday October 8, 11:00am
 7 Principles Bench Project

Sunday October 15, 11:00am
 7 Principles Bench Project

Sunday October 22, 11:00am
 Kids in Service for the Hymn Sing
 Intergenerational Service
 No Children's RE

Sunday October 29, 11:00am
 Day of the Dead Remembrance

After Church, 12:00 noon
 Pumpkin Carving Activity
 Bring a pumpkin and join in the fun of carving
 a spooky Jack o lantern for your porch!!

Drum Circle

Full Moon Drum Circle will take place on Thursday October 5 – 8:30pm at the Church. Meet us at the large firepit, using the hallway by the bathrooms to go outside.



Bring a chair or blanket & your percussion.
Love Donation.

Contact me for more information
debe24@hotmail.com

Debe Fisher

Loaves and Fishes Study Group

Loaves and Fishes (our chapter of the UU Christian Fellowship) will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 9:30am in the multi-purpose room. All are welcome and invited.

For more information
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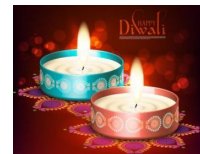


Second Friday Vespers Service

Molly Lesnick shares her memories of her life in India by introducing us to Diwali (Festival of Lights, celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains). Diwali is celebrated October 18 -22, 2017 worldwide.

Please accept our invitation to participate

Friday, October 13, 2017 at 7:00pm.
Join us and tap into your inner artist as you create your Muggulu.



Save the Date: November's Vespers –
Friday November 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Vespers at UUCFL is a themed one-hour meditative service that includes stories, poetry, prose, music and/or periods of silence.

It is led by congregants on the second Fridays beginning at 7:00 p.m. Each month the service will be led by two members – a Facilitator and a Presenter and occasionally our own Rev. Susan Smith.

Do you have a topic you would like to share? Yes? We are looking for you. Topics may be based on a monthly holiday – Labor Day, Earth Day; an observation – Women's History Month, Winnie the Pooh Day; a religious holiday – Imbolc, Hanukkah; an interest – Jazz Appreciation Month, Love Your Pet Day; World Holidays or your favorite activity.

You may choose to honor your favorite poet, hero, thinker, musician or music genre, etc. Visit www.uucfl.org/vespers for openings or contact me – opalom18@gmail.com or 770.265.6242 and voila!

Rev. Opal Murray



LifeNet4Families
Cooperative Feeding Program

Lifenet 4 Families/Cooperative Feeding Program

Thank you to all the folks who are taking home the reusable bags and filling them with much-needed food for the Lifenet 4 Families pantry. A big thanks to our UU Sisterhood for taking over this project and collecting and transporting the food to the pantry. Remember that if you want a chance to volunteer, you can work with our fellow UUs from River of Grass on the 2nd Saturday of every month at their scheduled workday in the pantry, from 9-11 AM, at 1 NW 33rd Terrace, Lauderdale FL 33311. If you would like to volunteer at another time you can contact Lifenet directly; their phone number is (954) 792-2328 and the website is lifenet4families.org

The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalists

There are seven principles which Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



Labyrinth Café Presents Ellen Bukstel and Rod MacDonald

Saturday October 7 at 7:30pm (at River of Grass - Davie)

We were so sad that it was necessary to cancel, due to Hurricane Irma, the September 9, 2017 concert with the winners of the 2017 South Florida Folk Festival Singer/Songwriter Competition: Amber Ikeman, Austin MacRae, and Jane Fallon. You will all just have to make it a point to attend the upcoming SFFF (January 13-14, 2018) to see them on the mainstage with their own sets!

Next up: Ellen Bukstel and Rod MacDonald, two South Florida treasures who are also friends and musical cohorts. Word is that they spent some time together during the storm working up some special treats for us. This is truly a don't-miss show!

[Please note that, due to an inadvertent scheduling conflict at the UUCFL, THIS CONCERT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE RIVER OF GRASS UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH. Thanks and love to Reverend Amy Carol Webb and her team for opening up their warm and welcoming space to us!]

Labyrinth Café (for THIS MONTH ONLY, the concert will take place at):

River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Church, 11850 West State Road 84, Suite 1, Davie, Florida 33325

Directions: River of Grass UU is located on the I-595 Service Road (on the south side - just east of Flamingo Road). From I-595 West, exit at Flamingo Road. At the Flamingo Road light, make a u-turn and go under the expressway. Continue east to 11850 (on the right).

From Menopause to Marijuana! Peace to Politics! Poignant to Provocative! Ellen Bukstel writes and sings about it all! This type of happy-sad, life-embracing, fear-overcoming emotional schizophrenia truly captures the spirit of modern independent music making—whatever the artist feels in that moment, she shares, and whatever else Ellen is, she's not shy about it making her audience "sit up and think... laugh 'til they cry...and sometimes all at the same time!" Ellen expresses her imagination with her beautiful voice, guitar and keyboard. Her award-winning songs chronicle the joys and sorrows of a colorful tapestry still being woven. She conveys love and a depth of concern for the ever-increasing threats to our world and to our own individual rights. All this is related to the audience through a brave, though humorous and earthy, connection between the world of musical performance and that of the social "bard" or "troubadour" from which the most powerful and relevant strand of folk music derives its roots. www.ellenbukstel.com



A pivotal force in the 80's Greenwich Village folk revival, New York's Village Voice wrote of Rod MacDonald, "politics, passion and a sense of humor", which accurately describes Rod's passion for music, and his personal commitment to communicating events that have affected and shaped our world's societies. Rod seamlessly weaves romantic ballads in between his trademark tongue-in-cheek socio-political commentaries. With lyrics and music that are infectious and inspiring, often humorous, sometimes reckless, frequently evocative, usually thought provoking – and – always compelling, Rod's songs will stay in your heart and mind long after the music has ended. "An extraordinarily gifted songwriter who does the topical, humorous and touching folk songs equally well – think Phil Ochs, Loudon Wainwright and Bob Dylan all wrapped in one." (Dans Distractions) www.rodmacdonald.net

Reservations requested but not required: Contact Susan at OzWoman321@aol.com or 954-478-8637

\$20 at the door, plus non-perishable item for our local Cooperative Feeding Program (canned meats, beans, fruits, vegetables, peanut butter, dried milk, pasta, rice, cereal, baby food and baby formula); Advance Reservations: \$17, checks (made out to Rod MacDonald) received in the UU church office no later than Wednesday before Saturday show (or call or e-mail Susan at the contact info above):

Mail advance payment checks to:

UU Church of Ft Lauderdale, ATTN: Labyrinth Café, 3970 NW 21st Ave, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

Please consider purchasing our Season Pass, \$150 per person, which includes admission to all 9 September-May shows, as well as premium reserved seating and a Labyrinth Cafe T-shirt (designed and printed by Virginia Anderson, Labyrinth Café volunteer). It's a wonderful way to support the UU church, our performers and the continuation of live, original music!

Visit www.labyrinthcafe.com for further details and the artists' websites, and our Facebook page to give us a thumbs-up, which will then keep you informed of upcoming concerts:

Saturday, November 11, 2017 – Harpeth Rising

Saturday, December 9, 2017 – Jennings & Keller and Mare Wakefield & Nomad

Saturday, January 6, 2018 – Heather Pierson Acoustic Trio

Saturday, February 10, 2018 – Danny Schmidt and Carrie Elkin

Saturday, March 10, 2018 – Wabi Sabi (Dan Pelletier and George Wurzbach)

Saturday, April 14, 2018 – Nick Annis and Peter Mulvey

Saturday, May 12, 2018 – Lis and Lon Williamson and Amy Carol Webb

Can't wait for you all to join us once again for song and camaraderie!

Susan Moss Coordinator - Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series

Coming CUUPS Events

CUUPS Study Group takes place every Thursday at 7:30pm at the Church.
\$2 Suggested donation. Bring healthy snacks to share.

October 5 - 7:30 PM -Topic: Hunter's Full Moon Ritual with Otsana.

October 12 - 7:30 PM - Topic: Dying for Heathens by Skylar.

October 19, 7:30 PM - Topic - Samhain Meditation & Ritual Planning

October 26 - 7:30 PM -Topic: Black Candle Samhain Resolutions

November 2 - 7:30 PM --Topic: "Hecate Ritual" with Ostana.

CUUPS Special Event:

Saturday October 21, 7:30 PM - Annual Witch's Ball - The theme this year is Hogwarts...

Come enjoy the band B.O.B. and D.J.

We will have the Druid's Ritual at 10 PM and a 12 Midnight Ritual to honor our dearly departed.
Food, drink, vendors, psychic.. \$15.00 entrance fee.



Edie & Marty McAnulty - CUUPS Facilitators - The MoonPath Chapter of CUUPS

Stay For Eclectic Mind Shoppe at UUCFL on Sundays After Service - 1:00pm

Eclectic Mind Shoppe takes place every Sunday at 1:00pm at the Church.
\$5 Suggested Donation

Oct. 1 - Guided Meditation with Edie McAnulty

Oct. 8 - Spiritual Philosophy - Sarah Paulus will lead us in a discussion about the German Philosopher, Fredrick Nietzsche

Oct. 16 - Wicca 101 with Ostana

Oct. 22 - Spiritual Crafting - Create a Mandala with Alba Kauffman

Oct. 29 - Meditation on Contemporary Icons with Rev. Susan M. Smith. Staying with the day's theme of remembering the ancestors, we will experience the unique practice of meditation on beautifully rendered contemporary icons of not only religious but also historic figures.



Eclectic Mind Shoppe

Building and Grounds News

Building and Grounds Workdays continue the second Saturday of each month (October 14) starting at 8:00am and going to about noon. Join us any time during that span to lend a hand in giving our church home some love. There are projects to be done inside and outside for all abilities.

This past month was a flurry of activity preparing for and cleaning up after Hurricane Irma. Thank goodness we had minimal effect other than power out for a few days and lots of branches down and a few downed trees. The building itself was not damaged. Crews came out from both church volunteers and professionals to clear debris and trim trees to get the place back in shape again and we thank all those that helped in those efforts.

After Mother Nature causing us a few week's delay, we installed our Peace Pole and Contemplation Garden on the outer loop in front of the church. It is a beautiful sanctuary spot to visit and reflect and a wonderful greeting to all who visit the church. The Peace Pole conveys the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in 9 different language. The garden was professionally and lovingly designed by our own Janine Griffiths. Thanks to her and all of the people who made this possible.

More projects in the works - interior doors, a sign at the entry and improved lighting there plus other doors, more improvements to lighting, sound and video in the sanctuary, a storage trailer to replace our sheds and an outdoor pavilion.

Building and Grounds



Breaking Bread Together



Breaking Bread German Style
Oktoberfest at the Kauffman Abode in Tamarac
Friday the 13th October
7 pm til whenever - Room for 8 guests
Menu:
The Kauffmans will prepare Beef Sauerbraten
and Brats in hard cider and potatoes ...



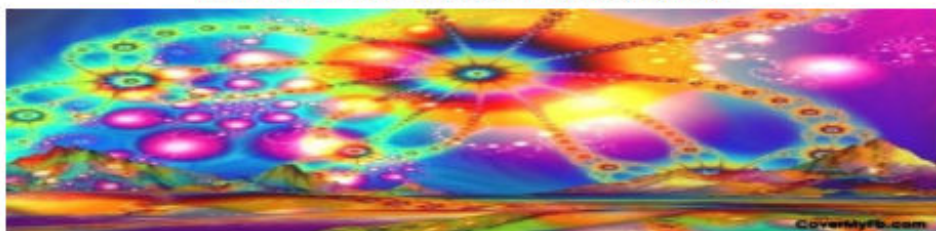
YOU WILL SIGN UP TO BRING:

Vegetable (something green).....	Beverage (non alcoholic).....
Salad (with a crunch).....	Beverage (alcoholic).....
Bread (dark and hearty).....	Dessert (German chocolate maybe?).....

If weather permits we will have a fire and mini drum circle. Bring your voices and instruments of choice. Extra noise makers will be available \$10 donation ALL going to the church

Please RSVP to express your interest in going, if there are most than 8 folks interested we will draw for the RSVP's. Last date to express interest is Oct 6th. Edie McNulty will be collecting the money for this event prior to the dinner. Contact Edie at church, email at ediemoonday@gmail.com or via text only at 954-294-4757.

The UU Florida SE Cluster presents our ANNUAL MEETING 2017 **Thinking – and Living – Outside the Bubble** with the Rev. Carlton Elliott Smith



Some of us are granted "acceptance" and "value"
owning to our skin color or other birth-given privilege.
We move through life in a veritable "bubble" that buffers us from the scars of
separation that others suffer on a daily basis.
This "bubble" feels like protection, yet it isolates us from deeper understanding
and heartfelt relationships.

Join this dynamic session as we explore how to live "Outside the Bubble."

The Rev. Carlton Elliott Smith is one of nine members of the Congregational Life Staff serving the UUA's Southern Region. He heads the Cluster Development and Beyond Congregations program. Previously, he served as a parish minister in Metro New York, Oakland (CA), Greater Boston, & Northern Virginia. He received his MDiv from Howard University in 1992 and graduated from the Université de Genève, Switzerland, in 1993.

Recently at the Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville, VA Rev. Smith stood for justice, linked arm in arm with Prof. Cornell West, UUA President Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray and several other UU ministers, staff and parishioners.



Saturday, October 21, 2017, from 10 am to 3:30 pm

Treasure Coast Unitarian Universalist Congregation

21 SE Central Parkway, Stuart, FL 34994 www.tcuuc.org

\$20 per person advance by mail until postmark Oct. 16, 2017

\$10 Young Adult Registration [up to age 25]

\$25 at the door; cash, check or credit card.

Childcare is \$20 per child 1-11 years old by mail registration only until postmark October 16.

Please mail check to Kathy Jens-Rochow, Registrar, 1420 SW 13 St., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

For PayPal registration go to <http://uuflorida.org/annual/>

Registration includes Lunch and Continental Breakfast

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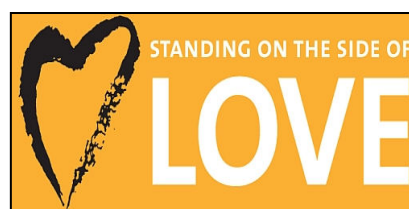
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Building Usage Scheduling

With all of the activities going on in the building, especially with all of the exciting new things coming along, it will be very important to keep a close look at the calendar to make sure we have room for all events and renters that we



have, and to have scheduling conflicts kept to a minimum. Please email me at dgriswold2001@hotmail.com with any inquiries or to schedule an event at the church. Thank you.

Dave Griswold

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BLACK LIVES MATTER

END CORPORATE RULE. LEGALIZE DEMOCRACY.

MOVE TO AMEND

BOLD Justice
{Broward Organized Leaders Doing Justice}

Expand Your UU Horizons

Learn more and how you can become more involved beyond our walls

UU Association - uua.org

UU Southern Region - seduua.org

UU Southeast Cluster -

facebook.com/UUFloridaSoutheastCluster



Remember the Hungry People Around Us

Please continue to fill the Food Baskets at the church with non-perishables for the LifeNet for Families | Cooperative Feeding Program.

Learn more about the CFP and other ways you can help.

Visit www.lifenet4families.org or call (954) 792-2328



"My October is the fallen leaf,
but it is also a wider horizon more clearly seen.
It is the distant hills once more in sight,
and the enduring constellations
above them once again."
~ Hal Borland

October Birthdays

Amber Anderson 10/2
London Coburn 10/2
Alba Kauffman 10/10
Gerard {Jerry} Zelin 10/10
Sebastian Coburn 10/20
Maytham Booty 10/28
Steve Zorn 10/31



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October Calendar



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1 ●9:30am - Sisterhood ●11:00am - Sunday Service ●1:00pm - Eclectic Mind Shoppe	2	3	4 ●6:30pm - Choir Practice	5 ●7:00pm Mens Group ●7:30 pm CUUPS ●8:30pm - Full Moon Drum Circle	6	7 ●7:30pm - Labyrinth Café Concert (AT RIVER OF GRASS) (See page 6)
8 ●Journey Article Submission Deadline ●9:30am - Loaves & Fishes ●11:00am - Sunday Service ●12:30pm - Lunch ●12:45pm - Visioning with Rev. Susan ●1:00pm - Eclectic Mind Shoppe	9 ●11:30am - Sisterhood ●6:30pm - All Committee Chair Meeting ●8:00pm - Board Meeting	10	11 ●6:30pm - Choir Practice	12 ●7:00pm Mens Group ●7:30 pm CUUPS	13 7:00pm Second Friday Vespers Service (See page 5) ●7:00pm - Breaking Bread Together at the Kauffman's (Must RSVP - See Page 8)	14 ●8:00am - Building and Grounds Workday
15 ●9:30am - Sisterhood ●11:00am - Sunday Service ●12:45pm - Visioning with Rev. Susan ●1:00pm - Eclectic Mind Shoppe	16	17	18 ●6:30pm - Choir Practice	19 ●7:00pm Mens Group ●7:30 pm CUUPS	20	21 ●10:00am - UU Southeast Cluster Event at Treasure Coast (See page 8) ●7:30pm- Annual Witches Ball (See page 7)
22 ●9:30am - Loaves & Fishes ●11:00am - Sunday Service ●12:30pm - Lunch ●12:30pm - Membership Info ●1:00pm - Eclectic Mind Shoppe	23 ●11:30am - Sisterhood	24	25 ●6:30pm - Choir Practice	26 ●7:00pm Mens Group ●7:30 pm CUUPS	27	28
29 ●11:00am - Sunday Service ●1:00pm - Eclectic Mind Shoppe	30 ●7:00pm - Committee on Ministry	31	Every Sunday : 11:00 AM- Church Service and Children's Religious Education	Religious Education Events See special calendar on the RE page 4	Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events www.uucf.org and click "Coming Activities"	

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at 11 am: Service & Children's
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The JOURNEY



Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

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Sunday, October 1 – "The Ties That Bind" by the Rev. Susan M. Smith. In the month of October, we will study our 5th UU Principle: "The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process in our congregations and in society at large." Drawing from the wisdom of the Jewish High Holy Days, we will participate in our own rituals of turning and reconciliation to begin the church year with a clear conscience.

Sunday, October 8, Indigenous Persons Day – "We Interrupt This Service" by the Rev. Susan M. Smith. For the second time, Black Lives of UU have asked congregations to participate in a Teach-In to combat White Supremacy. This time we will examine the American Original Sin and ongoing practice of Native American genocide. Lunch will be served.

Sunday, October 15 – "Martin Luther Nailed What Where?" by the Rev. Susan M. Smith. By tradition, on October 31, 1517 German monk Martin Luther nailed on the door of All Saints Church in Wittenberg his 95 theses calling for the Reformation of the Christian church. From this act, Protestant Christianity, which was the identity of our Unitarian and Universalist ancestors, was born. We'll participate in the worldwide commemoration of this event. If you nailed a manifesto about our faith to the church door today, what would you have to say?

Sunday, October 22 -- "The Reformation in Song" by the Rev. Susan M. Smith. Continuing with the 500th Anniversary commemoration of Martin Luther's heretical act, we'll have a service devoted to Martin Luther as a master hymnodist. Choir will sing. We will have an Ingathering of New Members ceremony. Lunch will be served.

Sunday, October 29 – "Communing with The Ancestors" . Whether it is Samhain/All Hallows Eve on October 31, All Saints Day on November 1, All Souls Day on November 2, or Día de Muertos which spans all three days, the end of October is acknowledged throughout the Western world as a time to remember our ancestors. Bring a photo of your own dearly departed for the altar. A pumpkin carving will follow the service.

