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



President's Message



We held our Congregational budget meeting, after church on February 9. The timing was good in that Valentine's Day was right around the corner and Bishop SF Makalani-MaHee delivered an extremely heartfelt and meaningful sermon on love.

Our financial support of our church mainly takes the form of individual or family "Love offerings." This term connects the dots between love and giving. And so did the bishop's emphasis that love is an action verb. His message spoke to us about clear headed love. Contributing to our church community and being present to consider and vote on its annual budget are both acts of love.

It has been said that one can know what a person loves by observing what he or she does. We are all called upon to express our love for our faith through the giving of our time, talents and treasure. These are challenging times for our church and for virtually all liberal denominations. We are thrust into the position of needing to struggle to keep the fires burning through our stewardship, grounded in love.

The bishop's sermon brought back echoes for me of the 1956 treatise "The Art of Loving" by social philosopher and psychologist Erich Fromm. Although Fromm was primarily arguing against what he termed the narcissistic notion of romantic love, a couple of quotes will amplify the bishop's major thesis and clearly articulate the connection between loving and giving.

"Love isn't something natural. Rather, it requires discipline, concentration, patience, faith, and the overcoming of narcissism. It isn't a feeling, it is a practice. "

"Giving is the highest expression of potency. In the very act of giving, I experience my strength, my will, my power. This experience of heightened vitality and potency fills me with joy. I experience myself as overflowing, spending, alive, hence as joyous. Giving is more joyous than receiving, not because it is a deprivation, but because in the act of giving lies the expression of my aliveness."

I do not wish to harp on financial giving, but instead would emphasize that there are plenty of needy people among us. People, including ourselves, who could use the gifts that we can give if we would stop to look and listen for the possible opportunities to give to each other in the context of our church community.

In spite of the tenor of what I have written so far, I do not wish to entirely discount the importance of feelings as part of the love experience. For example, the loving action I direct toward my beloved child are given depth and energy by my loving feelings toward her. And part of those feelings are engendered by just how beautiful and cute she is. Similarly, our church must be attractive in order to engender loyalty and affection from newcomers and old timers alike.

I'm not suggesting that we need to be a cute church. But during several budget workshops leading up to our budget Sunday, many people expressed the importance of having a high quality "Sunday morning product" in order to inspire each other and attract newcomers. In the present discussion on love, this truth can be put in context by reminding ourselves that belonging, community and love are engendered by feelings as well as commitments. These feelings must be cultivated and strengthened by both our inner commitment but also by the quality of our common communal experiences.

For most of us the face of our church is manifested in the Sunday morning service experience. It is our responsibility as a church community to safeguard and enhance that hour on Sunday morning and to do our part to further excellence in all aspects of that experience. Doing our part might involve promoting a positive and loving atmosphere and in engaging in some of the tasks that bring things together.

Doing our part might also include raising our voices in appropriate and loving ways in praising and yes, sometimes criticizing or questioning the quality of our common Sunday morning experience. It is not a loving thing to do to remain silent or to walk away when honest and generous dialogue is needed. I was encouraged to hear some of that kind of dialogue during several of our budget workshops. Please do your part by continuing those conversations among yourselves, with the Sunday services committee, with the committee on ministry, with members of your Board of Trustees and with our minister.

So in the final analysis, our love for each other and our church involves both commitments and feelings. There is much to be done to cultivate and enhance both.

Victor Garlock

Rev. Gail's Space

Our Rev. Gail Tapscott is currently on a well deserved sabbatical to gain further Enrichment and knowledge to bring back to us in future services and classes. In this month's article, Rev Gail shares her latest adventures on the road.



Learning at Home

I am so happy to hear that most of you are enjoying the services provided by our traveling musicians, our own members and my Interfaith colleagues. I was away for a while and now am in and out of town for a while and then will be on the road again for a couple of weeks. While in town I am doing three main things- 1) - life maintenance things like getting a new Florida ID and renewing my passport, buying a new bed and trying to downsize books and files at home and maybe church office; 2) taking locally offered classes and workshops which will give me sermon and class material for the future and 3) doing what I like to call a little opposition research which involves attending some of the churches that we have lost members or potential members to over the years. Finally, due to prior commitments or emergencies, I have continued to do some church work on rental stuff and have officiated at several rites of passage for people outside our community. These activities have generated some income for the church as well as for me. I am doing one more of these- a Celebration of the Life of Lynette Culp who was a local Yoga teacher and a big patron of the Labyrinth Cafe. She was sort of becoming a friend of mine and her passing was sudden and shocking.



I have also been asked to bring the Friday message to Congregation Etz Chaim on Friday March 7 by my colleague Rabbi Noah Kitty. She will likely be preaching for UUCFL on some other piece of my sabbatical time. I will be talking about the importance of developing spiritual practices especially geared to the needs of the GLBYQA community. Some longer time UUCFL members will recall that this group shared our building for many years holding services here on Friday nights.

So far I have not done much writing but I hope I to get to more of that on Sabbatical Parts II and III and maybe some during the last month of this go round. I am happy to hear that the lunch offerings are going so well and thanks to new members Rick and Nelson for that. I hope others of you may be inspired to help make this community building experience a more frequent occurrence at UUCFL.

I do miss you guys but it is recommended by the UUA that ministers on sabbatical try to really be away from church day to day life even if they are spending some of the time in town. I did go to visit Monica Pavlik since she is really mainly responsible for the fact that I am your minister and she is on my current Committee on Ministry. She is very much still Monica but her memory is still rather sketchy. She did, however, know my voice right away. We had a nice visit but she tires very easily so if you go visit as Sara suggested make it brief and try not to confuse her. Blessings to all of you.

Rev. Gail

Availability During Sabbatical



I will not be dropping off the face of the earth during my sabbatical periods. Everyone has access to my phone number 954-288-4245 and my email revgailtapscott@aol.com. In cases of personal or church emergencies I can of course be contacted. I would prefer that you speak to Victor, Gary or another church leader first but I am not going to refuse to take calls. If you do need to contact me I ask that you give me a clear idea of what the issue is and the level of urgency rather than just saying you need to talk to me. I hate calling into the unknown.

Rev. Gail



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I am grieving for a child again. Another white, adult male decided that shooting at a car of loud music playing black teenagers was a reasonable action. A young man is dead-he will play no more loud music, wear no more hoodies, baggy pants or backwards ball caps. His mother and the rest of the folks who love him are also grieving; they are grieving for the loss of a child, and for a justice system that found the man who shot a child innocent. Again, this happened in Florida, in the very same area that put the prosecutor who could not get justice for the family of Trayvon Martin in the driver's seat, and again, she failed to get justice for a family. This time it is the family of Jordan Davis, and again, the "stand your ground" law was involved. Even though the defendant claimed straight self defense, there is no question that "stand your ground" was in the minds of the jury. A jury who I believe honestly tried to do right, but was confused by this child killing law, unclear jury instructions and unconvinced of a first degree murder conviction because of an incompetent prosecutor. Where is the outrage? Is it true that justice is for just us? Why are hand guns not only legal, but encouraged and protected because of what I believe is a complete misinterpretation of the 2nd Amendment? I know I am ranting, but I don't know what else to do. I feel powerless. I have no answers, other than to say we must not just let another child's life go. Let us start a conversation, let us start something.

Love and Blessings

DRE Susan

March Children's Religious Education Schedule

Sunday March 2nd, 11AM

Grounds Clean-Up
and Outdoor Play I

Sunday March 9th, 11AM

Ash Wednesday and Lent
What Will You Give Up?

Sunday March 16th, 11AM

St. Patrick

Sunday March 23, 11AM

Spring

Sunday March 30th, 11AM

Grounds Clean-Up and
Outdoor Play



Join Us for 3rd Friday Vespers!**March 21 at 7:00pm**

Ms. Cam Enright rocked our February Vespers with her readings of Billy Collins' poetry-thank you Ms. Cam!



Please join us on Friday evening March 21 at 7PM to hear our own Rev Opal present "Spring Awakenings". Vespers is a short service that features readings of prose, poetry or theatre. There is always music, time for quiet reflection and afterwards, wine, cheese and warm fellowship with your fellow congregants. Come join us and be inspired.

See www.uucfl.org/vespers/

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Get Your Hands Dirty - Building and Grounds Workdays

While the weather is still cool, we are gathering to work on our building and grounds to make our church home even more beautiful. We will have 2 days in March on the 1st and the 22nd at 3:00pm, so please come and lend a hand and have some fun, taking pride in our wonderful space that we are all so blessed to have and enjoy.

Please see me if you have any questions or suggestions.

Lore Bernier



Name Tags – If you have not yet received a name tag lanyard, please sign up in church on Sundays. You have a choice of designs between a picture of the church and a chalice.

Please wear your name tags each Sunday so our veterans and our newer members and visitors recognize each other better.



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Welcoming/Membership Committee

Music Notes

The choir sang "Love Changes Everything" for the February 9 service, a fitting introduction to the Valentine's Day period. Then February 23 brought the beautiful "Ave Verum Corpus" by Mozart for the second choir offering for the month.



The March music program opens with flute solos from Alfredo Tamburrino. We are so fortunate that Alfredo is willing and able to enrich our services with his lovely and sensitive flute music.

The choir will be singing "The Irish Blessing" for the March 9 service based on "A Culture of Peace" with guest speaker Judith LeBlanc. On March 23 we will hear "We Shall Overcome" and the stirring "Do You Hear the People Sing". Do not miss these presentations by your choir of hard working and faithful choir members who meet every Wednesday evening to polish special music that enhances our time together. Do you want to add your voice to our group? Don't be shy, speak to Susan Friend and come to a Wednesday rehearsal to find out what a joy it is to work with this melodic ensemble.

We are happy to see Charlie Prather back at the organ console bringing that nice solid foundation for our hymn singing. It is no surprise that having organ and piano together to lead our hymns creates an enthusiastic response from the congregation. A bit of applause for all of you!

March ends this portion of Rev. Gail's Sabbatical absence from regular services. We welcome her back leading our congregation into the Easter season beginning April 6. Our choir will also support her return to the pulpit.

Psst! Did you know that one of our octogenarians, Vernon Allen has a birthday coming up on March 2? Here's an opportunity to tell him how much we appreciate his contributions to the music program of our church.

Dot Muise, Director of Music



LifeNet4Families
Cooperative Feeding Program

LifeNet 4 Families/Cooperative Feeding Update

Our next monthly workday is coming up Saturday March 1st at CFP. Please come and fill shelves, make food boxes and whatever else needs to be done. Keep eyes open for the date of our annual Empty Bowls Soup Supper to benefit CFP; it will be sometime in April. Please put Saturday May 10th on your schedule for the annual Postal Food Drive. We will be working at a post office helping to box the food donated and gathered by the local post workers. Last year we worked at the little Oakland Park post office and had lots of fun while we worked. Thanks for keeping the food baskets filled; every can or box really helps.

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Susan Friend

BOLD Justice Gearing Up

I'm pretty excited. This year we've committed to get 55 people to the BOLD (Broward Organized Leaders Doing) Justice! Nehemiah Action on April 3rd (last year we had 45 people!). I think this year we can not only meet, but exceed our goal. We have more people in our congregation involved in BOLD Justice! than ever, including our new Justice Team Members Nicole Rivera and Doug Paul! On the 18th of March at 7:00pm will be BOLD Justice's Rally to get everyone pumped up and informed for the Nehemiah Action. The rally will take place at St. Maurice 2851 Stirling Rd., Dania Beach, FL 33312 I'd like to see us give a record turn-out!

Yours in Justice,
Lore Bernier



Occupy Ft. Lauderdale Labor Outreach Welcomes Guest Speaker



Special guest presenter Professor Harry Targ will speak about Class War on Workers' Benefits at the State Level on Saturday March 15 at 4:00pm.

Harry Targ is a professor of political science at Purdue University, specializing in foreign policy, US/Latin American relations, international political economy and working class studies. His books include Strategy of an Empire in Decline: Cold War II; and Challenging Late Capitalism, Neo-Liberal Globalization and Militarism: Building a Progressive Majority. His blog is heartlandradical.blogspot.com.



Bob Bender



Labyrinth Cafe Concerts Presents Jennings & Keller PLUS The Kennedys Saturday, March 8 at 7:30pm

Jennings & Keller is Laurie Jennings Oudin and Dana Keller, an acoustic duo based out of Miami, Florida. They bring a wealth of experience to their collaboration, from the Broadway musicals of New York to the honky tonks of West Texas. Their music is called "Fusion Folk Americana" - a blend of many different elements that comes from their vast and wide-ranging musical backgrounds. Laurie Jennings Oudin is well-known as the former proprietress of The Main Street Cafe, which was viewed across the country as the premier acoustic music venue in Florida. A former Shakespearean actress, Laurie has been a singer and songwriter for many years. Since the cafe's close in June 2006, she has been devoting her time to her musical career with Dana Keller, a veteran pedal steel, dobro, and guitar player who has spent years performing on stage or in the studio with such luminaries as Vince Gill, Ricky Skaggs, Stevie Wonder, Larry Graham, Marvin Gaye, Dave Mason, Johnny Rodriguez and The Allen Brothers, to name a few. The synergy created from these two diverse talents is not easy to define, but will leave a lasting impression on all who listen.

www.jenningsandkeller.com



In a career that now spans two decades, New York duo Pete and Maura Kennedy have traversed a broad musical landscape, surveying power pop, acoustic songwriting, organic rock and a Byrds-inspired jangle. The couple met at a guitar pull in Austin when Pete was playing guitar in Nanci Griffith's Blue Moon Orchestra. After an informal evening together (during which they wrote their first song), Pete went to Colorado for a festival but called Maura. The pair scheduled their first date: a visit to Buddy Holly's grave, a rendezvous that required them both to drive 500 miles. Maura soon replaced Iris DeMent as harmony singer on Griffith's tour, and Pete and Maura took Iris' place as the opening act for the European leg of the tour. During this tour, they wrote songs frantically, some of which found their way onto the couple's first disc. As writers and producers, the Kennedys continue to mature, from their early style-conscious pop to today's burnished sheen. Always tuned to their own muse, Pete and Maura continue to showcase a unique sound that is as uplifting as it is unclassifiable. www.kennedysmusic.com

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 Artist) received in the UU church office no later than Wednesday before Saturday show.

We're once again offering a season pass which includes admission to all remaining shows, as well as premium reserved seating and a Labyrinth Cafe T-shirt (designed and printed by Virginia and Erik, Labyrinth Cafe volunteers) - it's a wonderful way to support the UU church, our performers and the continuation of live, original music!

Please 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 - see you soon!

Susan Moss, Coordinator, Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series

Coming CUUPS Events



This month Saturday March 15 at 7:30pm, we celebrate Ostara. Does that sound like Easter? Our theme will be "An Ode to Fantasia." Will there be wizards, dancing brooms, and dinosaurs, oh my!!!! Wear ritual garb. Bring a dish and beverage to share at the feast to follow.

Thursday evening Study Group continues. March 6, we explore 1 BCE, and Other Pagan Eras. March 13 we share stories of Ostara and plan our ritual. March 20 we learn of Santisiamma Muerte, a good old girl from an alternative religion. Do come out and play.

Kip, Resident Pagan



New UUA Logo Part Of Outreach Effort

Logo is first step in a broader initiative to promote Unitarian Universalism

By Donald E. Skinner

A new logo for the Unitarian Universalist Association is only part of an initiative to help congregations reach out to the millennial generation and others who are unchurched.

The Rev. Dr. Terasa Cooley, the UUA's Program and Strategy Officer, said the new initiative developed out of a growing realization that the UUA and its congregations have been sending "inconsistent" messages about Unitarian Universalism into the larger world.

"We have not been very good about speaking to people who don't know anything about Unitarian Universalism," said Cooley.

"We've never come up with a succinct way to share our faith."

"We want congregations to think about the messages their congregations are sending out to the world that doesn't know anything about them," she added. "That includes thinking about how their building looks to guests, the structure of their services, their programs, whether they're inward-oriented or serving the community, and what their online presence is like."

A study guide will help congregations explore how they present themselves to the larger world. Cooley said individuals can use the study guide to think about their relationships to Unitarian Universalism and to become more fluent in explaining it.

See also: UUA President Peter Morales introduces the new logo and branding effort. This document provides more background: "The UUA Brand Story." The Rev. Dr. Terasa Cooley talks about the branding initiative on the Church of the Larger Fellowship's YouTube program, "The VUU." The new logo art files are now available on UUA.org.

This spring, the UUA is introducing its new logo, which congregations may also use. UUA.org is being redesigned to focus more on religious seekers. And the UUA is developing other resources for congregations, regional groups, and the national association to use. This effort is about much more than a new logo and a new look for the website, Cooley said. "We have to figure out how we live out this faith of ours, not just how to sell it. We need to get clearer about the ways the culture is changing and the ways we serve that culture."

The UUA hired Proverb, a brand development company, last year. "We asked them not simply to design a new logo for us, but to help us look at ourselves differently," Cooley said. The consultants, who researched the UUA's image in the larger community, found that the UUA is known for progressive and inclusive behavior. At the same time, non-UUs found it hard to differentiate from other religions because of its Protestant-style worship, unclear messaging, aging membership, lack of clarity about beliefs, and a lack of consistency in congregations.

"We're trying to reach a generation of people who are not coming out of religious backgrounds," Cooley said. "They have no pattern of church and they have many other choices on Sunday morning besides church. We have to get really clear on what we have to offer."

She emphasized that the UUA, while focusing on millennials, will not overlook others. "We're not turning our backs on people already in congregations, or people over fifty. We're speaking to everyone."

This article appeared in the Spring 2014 issue of UU World (page 55).



Want to know what's happening in the Region?

The Unitarian Universalist Southern Region is a new cooperative venture between the four Southern districts of the Unitarian Universalist Association. The goal is to consolidate staff and efforts to equip congregations with the effective leadership and training needed to build and nurture strong, dynamic congregations for the 21st century throughout the South.

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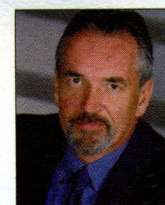
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March Birthdays

VERNON ALLEN 3/1
 GAIL TAPSCOTT 3/10
 DIONNE EKENDIZ 3/12
 SUSAN DIRGINS FRIEND 3/13
 DONNA GUTIERREZ 3/13
 ZACHARIAH GRIFFITHS 3/18
 EILEEN M. LANCELLA 3/18
 DAVID ARMSTRONG 3/23
 RACHEL P. DONELSON 3/27
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If you would like to see your birthday announced here and in the cUUrrious cUUrrier email newsletter, please contact the office to make sure we have your updated information in the computer

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

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March Calendar



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 •8:45am - LifeNet4 Families Workday (See Page 6)
 •3:00pm Building and Grounds Workday

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 •9:30am - UU Sisterhood

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 •7:00pm - Course in Miracles

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 •6:45pm - Choir Rehearsal

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 •7:30 pm CUUPS

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 •7:30 pm Labyrinth Café Concert (See page 7)

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 • Journey Submission Deadline

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 •7:00pm - Board Meeting

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 •6:45pm - Choir Rehearsal

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 •7:30 pm CUUPS

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 •4:00 pm - Occupy Ft. Lauderdale Labor Outreach, (See Page 6)
 •7:30pm - CUUPS Ostara Ritual (See page 7)

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 •9:30am - UU Sisterhood

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 •7:00pm - Sunday Services Committee

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 •7:00pm - BOLD Justice Rally at St. Maurice (See Page 6)

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 •6:45pm - Choir Rehearsal

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 First Day of Spring
 •7:30 pm CUUPS

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 •7:00pm - Third Friday Vespers Service (see page 5)

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 •7:00pm - Welcoming/ Membership Committee

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 and Children's
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Religious Education Events
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Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

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March 2 - Writing and the Spiritual Path – Amy Wright Glenn -

Mystics throughout history affirm that spiritual truth transcends human language. Yet, for many writers, crafting sentences to direct the attention to the ineffable is itself a spiritual practice. Through words, our hearts and minds can open to experience great wonder. What does it mean to write with spirit? Join UU author Amy Wright Glenn as she examines the intersection of the writing and the spiritual life. Amy is the author of "Birth, Breath, and Death-- Meditations on Motherhood, Chaplaincy, and Life as a Doula." She will share the story of her crafting of this well-received debut memoir and reflect upon spirituality, words, and wisdom. Autographed copies of Amy's book will be available for purchase after the service.

March 9 - A Chance for Peace and Justice with Judith LeBlanc -

We will examine what stands in the way of transitioning our communities and the economy from a dependency on wars and ever newer weapons to a sustainable peacetime economy producing what our country and the world really needs: jobs, human services and diplomacy. Not more wars!

March 16 - Keeping the Faith by Rev. Ed Bolella - In this encore presentation at UUCFL, Rev. Ed will examine the uses of faith as commitment and function and then how it permeates our daily lives.

Our Rev. Gail Tapscott is currently on a well deserved sabbatical. While she is away gathering further enrichment and knowledge to bring back to us in future sermons and classes, Rev. Gail requests that we all make an extra effort to attend services even more regularly in support of the hard work of the Sunday Services Committee and the guests who will be gracing our pulpit during this period.

March 23 Faster Than Feeling - Fasting can awaken us from the rut of routine. Once an annual observance, the last national Fast Day was held after Lincoln was assassinated. Revived as a UU holiday by Prof. Dean Grodzins in 2003, this year will be the twelfth annual "new" Fast Day. Come learn how fasting can sharpen the mind and deepen the soul.

March 30 – The Church of Risk and Hope by Rev. Carole Yorke

"Searching for meaning, community, and identity. Seekers – those we label "nones"...are looking for meaningful responses to their personal and religious questions. They seek a congregation that affirms their relational needs. They seek a church that understands their yearnings for connections to something bigger.

Does this congregation affirm your relational needs?
Does it understand your yearnings? Does it offer meaningful responses to your personal and religious questions?"

April 6 - An Honest and Fearless Tale of My Personal Spiritual

Odyssey - Reverend Gail will reveal the many diverse spiritual influences that have taken her on her journey thus far

