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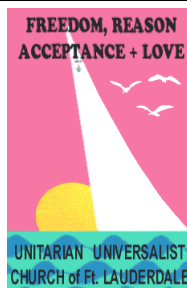


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From Your Board President



I'm writing this early in September. We haven't yet had our Stewardship kick off. I am certain that it went well and that most of you have already turned in your completed pledge form. I hope that's you, if not get busy and turn it in.

We'd rather have a good guess than no information. And you know the by-laws require a current pledge. If you are having trouble with it, go on and talk to Rev. Gail, Judy Knopp or myself. We can help guide you to writing down something you can live with or change after the fact if your situation changes (hopefully improved).

I'm really glad we took time as a board to have a retreat and talk about appreciative inquiry.

Soon we will be sharing this with all of you.

There's a lot of stuff we are doing right and it's about time we worked on what's working.

I've been thinking lately about how lucky I am to be Board President right now. We have such wonderful excited leadership. The board of Trustees is amazing, what skills we have, I don't have to do everything. I only have to do some things. That's great let me tell you. Our Committee Chairs ROCK.

They are qualified, talented go-getters all.

I am so thrilled to have a pretty complete set of leaders running the show. I don't have to do everything just some things. Just think how hard this would be if I didn't have leaders I could trust to do what needs to be done. That would be very hard. I like delegating where appropriate and encouraging. I hope I am encouraging. You know how lucky I am to have this congregation. So many wonderful diverse people. I get to preside over this group.

I am so pleased. I hope we keep being welcoming to visitors and kind to one another. It's just heartwarming to hear sometimes, how people are stepping up in ways I didn't expect.

Last month 2 members came to me and asked where they fit in. Let me tell you, I love that a lot! Please don't be shy in asking me If you have energy and time that remains unused. I'd love to have people step up to work on Social Justice or with our new ways and means Chair. But the other committees need support too, so I am open to all kinds of ideas like that.

So have fun out there, make connections and get spiritual if you lean that way, It's kind of why we are here isn't it?

Myra Symons

Hello from the Board

I hope to see you less often. Really!

This year's stewardship campaign has encouraged me to reevaluate our Three T's: Time, Talent, and Treasure. Stewardship is the time we pledge a financial contribution to our congregation, but your time and talents are just as valuable.



My pledge involves more than just *treasure*. I want to spend more of my *time* with the youth in our community and helping with RE. Perhaps I could use my *talents* to teach them anthems of other nations as they study world religions. What will you do? How will you contribute to the development and growth of our community? If you need some inspiration, here are some of the current going-ons in our community:

Rev. Gail has shouldered many of the administrative tasks as of late, including bringing in rental income from a number of sources. We appreciate all her work, but would really like our minister to return to, well, ministering. Any volunteers or ideas on how to manage some of these office tasks would be welcome.

Our renters have an enormous impact on our congregation. They have helped us in getting closer to our goal of a balanced budget but at a (non-monetary) price such as scheduling conflicts.

The Board has been reevaluating each lease as its renewal approaches as well as reassessing other property usage arrangements. Jeff Hutt is pursuing other potential rental income that is more closely aligned with UU values and less aligned with our service schedule (perhaps some weekday rentals that won't interfere with UUCFL events).

There has also been some shuffling of committee chairs lately and the inclusion of many new faces. Myra and Rev. Gail will be holding a Council Retreat for committee chairs and anyone interested in joining these movers and shakers.

Judy Knopp is on a shopping spree to add new seating to our foyer. Ideas, coupons, and pickup trucks are all welcome!

The 2013 Budget Meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 20th, 2013. More details to follow, including budget workshop dates. See Benny Rivera if your talents lie in budgeting!

Bring your talents, whatever they may be, to a Board meeting, held every 2nd Monday at 7pm!

Alexis Blasenheim - Secretary

Rev. Gail's Space

One Holiday After Another

It is that time of the year when it is just one holiday after another. Some of my earliest memories of the fall holiday season go back to my elementary school years. I was not a very artistic child and was dreadful at free hand drawing and most crafts but even I enjoyed cutting out pumpkins and black cats for Halloween, Turkeys for Thanksgiving and Christmas trees, bells, stars and other things for Christmas.

The elementary school I attended had a very elaborate Halloween carnival event each year that involved Haunted Houses done in tents, fortune telling, rides and a fun costume contest. I was a dead serious trick or treater but I also liked staying home one year handing out the candy to other kids. I gave a lot of Halloween parties as an adult and was always amazed at the creative costumes folks came up with. One year during the Reagan years, a couple came to my party dressed as Nancy Reagan and the White House China. It was a hoot. Seeing someone dressed as a pregnant nun was another favorite. I want to suggest that this year all church members considered putting together a costume and attending our annual Witches Ball. Dancing and frolicking is not just for Pagans. The Samhain ritual is almost like a mass for the dead and is always very moving. This should be a church wide event.

For Thanksgiving, I am hoping we will once again be able to offer a nice homey Turkey day meal and fellowship for those folks in our community who lack family in the area and would like a pleasant and safe place to count their blessings. I hope we can find a couple of coordinators to come forward and make this event happen. We usually get someone to roast or buy a turkey and then everyone brings a dish including vegetarian and vegan goodies. We have had some wonderful cozy afternoons.

During the Hanukkah, Christmas and Yule season of course there will be several chances for holiday related services, rituals, food and partying. Let's make this whole holiday season a very special time to prove how we can have fun together while we work to build our church and serve the larger community.

Let's celebrate all the holidays and learn more about each other in the process.

Blessings,

Rev. Gail



Vespers Services Return

Vespers are held the third Friday of each month starting at 7PM. It is a time for music, readings, and quiet meditation that generally lasts 40-45 minutes followed by fellowship over wine and cheese.



Monthly vespers are:

October 19, November 16, December 21, January 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17

There will be no vespers during the summer months (June, July, August)

See www.uucfl.org/vespers/



Director of Religious Education (DRE) - Susan Dirgins-Friend
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Your religious education committee (Laura Lange, Valerie Heller, Dave Griswold, Gary Ladka and Alexis Blasenheim) and your DRE (that would be me) had a very productive meeting before church a couple of weeks ago. We decided to do a few things differently. Kids are going to start every Sunday in church. We decided that they need to be in there to be part of the ritual at the beginning of the service. We are also going to try and get them into church for the whole service more often. We want them to understand better than they do what it means to be in church. Will they be bored? They might be. Might they make a bit of noise? They might. Most of our kids are not babies anymore, and they know how to behave. They can behave at least as well as some of the adults. That is all I am going to say. We will keep them in until after the teaching story, and they will then go into the back to do their RE class. We will shorten the lessons a bit to accommodate this. The best way to teach kids to be UUs is to see adult UUs in action and the worship service is part of the action. We also talked about the whys, hows, etc of our small children's RE program.

One thing that we are convinced of is that even if only one child is here on any given Sunday, they are deserving of a high quality RE experience. We have a good RE program here, one that I am proud of. I wish we had more kids, but I am also glad that I have the opportunity to be a teacher and spend as much time with the kids as I do. A huge program would require me to be more of an administrator, and less of a hands on person. I would spend my time making schedules and wrangling volunteers, instead, of helping the kids understand what Hindus or Jains believe, and listening to them make sense of the world around us. I hope that you will welcome the children in to the service every week, and greet them especially heartily. Remember, they are our future.



Love and Blessings, *DRE Susan*

LifeNet4 Families/Cooperative Feeding Update



LifeNet4Families
 Cooperative Feeding Program

Thanks to all who are contributing to the filling of the food baskets. Special thanks to the Pagan Pride attendees, and the Labyrinth Café fans.

Our workday in

September was fun, with some of our group in the pantry and Peter Lange and I doing a stint in the dining room. Peter served up the food with his usual flair. The clients enjoyed talking and interacting with he and the other young folks who were there. Please join us on November 3 at the CFP at 8:45 for our next workday. Contributions go up as the holidays get close, so lots of help will be needed to get the donations put away.

Questions or information: DRE Susan Dirgins-Friend
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October Children's Religious Education Schedule

Sunday October 7, 11AM
 Hinduism/Buddhism
 Kids Start in Church

Sunday October 14
 Buddhism
 Kids Start in Church

Sunday October 21, 9:30AM
RE Committee Meeting
Room 5/7
All are Welcome

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Soul to Soul on Hold Until November

Our very popular and deeply moving interactive Soul to Soul series will be on hiatus for a couple of months as I take some more of the study leave and vacation time that I did not take during the summer. We will pick back up with the last four sessions of this great program during the four Tuesdays in November. I am sure many of the regulars will be back and perhaps we will welcome some new faces as well. The four remaining sessions to look forward to are:

November 6 - Prayer

November 13 - Resilience

November 20 - Aging

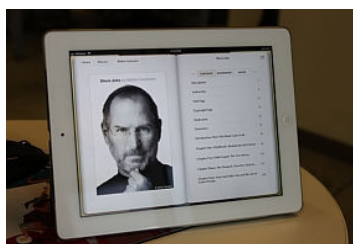
November 27 - Blessings



The gatherings will take place at 7:00 p.m. and the suggested donation is \$20.00 for the entire series and \$6 per session. These classes have generated a lot of new friendship and support for some members and friends. Join in the sharing.

Rev. Gail

Daytime Book Club Meets to Discuss Jobs



October Daytime book club will read *Steve Jobs* by Walter Isaacson. Meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 11 at 1:30 at, of course, Applebees. We will be at the restaurant on Atlantic Blvd. between 441 and Lyons. More info from Molly 954-649-5717.

Molly St Cavish

Music Notes

September brought our official church year opening on Water Sunday featuring our wonderful choir singing fitting water music. Not many small choirs can sing a capella music on pitch, but ours can. Did you notice the solo sections in each anthem for this September 9 service? We are so fortunate to have skillful singers in every part. Yay, choir!



We heard Alfredo Tamburrino playing his lovely flute solos for the Annual David Fisher Memorial Poetry Service skillfully assembled by Susan Moss. Dot's postlude was "Kismet Rag" by Joplin which was played at David's Memorial Service. He loved Joplin and played several Joplin pieces himself. What a legacy David Fisher left with UUCFL and how we miss him!

The choir returned for September 30 Stewardship Service. The theme of the service and celebration is "Aquarius" so of course, that was the choir selection.

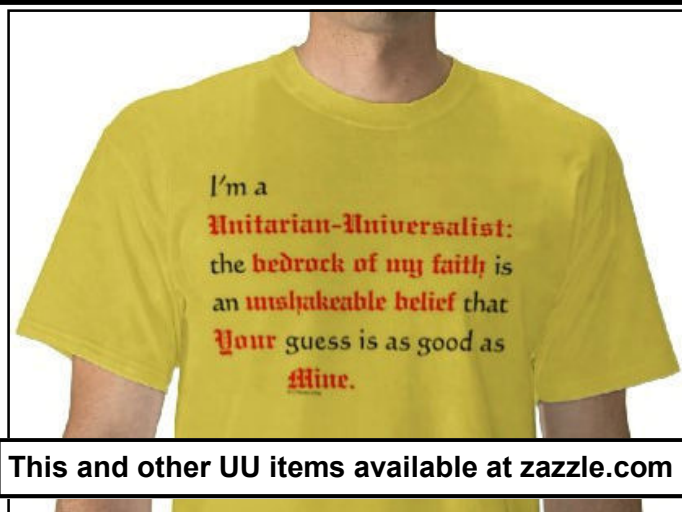
Looking forward to October, the choir will sing on the 14th for Gail's "Trauma and Healing" service. Susan Friend has chosen "Balm in Gilead" and "Fix You" which both speak to the subject. Then on October 28 along comes Halloween. Choir will sing at that service too, and wh-o-o-o knows what else will happen!

With Halloween fast approaching, can Thanksgiving and Christmas be far behind? Do you get the feeling that another year is slipping away? Time seems to move faster when you get to my age (Dot is 88).

Dot Muise, Director of Music

Weather Watch

In cases of extreme weather, UUCFL will cancel Sunday services and other events when Broward County Schools also announce closings due to inclement weather.



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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

Coming CUUPS Events



This month brings us our 15th Witches Ball Saturday October 27. Doors open at 7:30 PM. \$15. There will be Live Music by Witches Mark, an atunement for the dead, a Druid Ritual, and a

Midnight Ritual honoring Sekhmet, Lioness Goddess of Egypt. See <http://www.moonpathcuups.org/wball.htm>

The Season is Samhain, the Festival of the Final Harvest and the Dead. Here is the High Holy Day in our Pagan world.

We just finished our Pagan Pride Day. Gross income was \$632.63

Thursday Study Groups continue with topics: Cultus Sabbati, the Egyptian God Thoth, the Crossroads Ritual, and Stories of Samhain.

Kip, Resident Pagan

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Bob Bender



Stewardship – Share The Love – Share The Commitment



Love is in the air! Can you feel it! We have begun our 2012 Stewardship Campaign: The Age of Aquarius!

It's time to determine what our financial contributions to our church will be this year. Our church home – just like our own home -- requires regular maintenance and repair. It's not cheap!

The "offering" is an ancient religious ritual. Old customs leaned towards a young lamb or sheaves of wheat. Our modern offering plate contains checks and bills of varying denominations. We pass the plate every Sunday. We make pledges once a year. That's how our Finance Committee determines how we can create a sensible budget, pay our FP&L bill, and continue to be self-supporting. We know well, though, that our congregational continuity lies not in an up-to-date church structure – but in our church community!

We are there for each other. And that's a really good thing!

We come together on Sunday mornings not just to heal our own souls but to offer good will, equity, and social justice outward into the community.

As Unitarian Universalists, we are committed to the causes of justice, peace and human dignity.

We are called to live generously! Open your hearts and your wallets!

Your increased pledge can put us over the top in this year's Annual Stewardship Program!

Thanks!

Judy Knopp, Vice President

Let Me Decide

Hi, my name is Alyse. You may have seen me sitting in the church office.

No, I am not the new secretary.

I am a renter working to raise awareness on genetically engineered food.

See www.fwwlocal.org. I am calling around recruiting volunteers.

We've already had our September Campaign Kickoff Meeting. We want these products clearly labeled for what they are.

Later, you may see me presenting a Sunday Service. Feel free to speak with me. Just remember, I don't referee space in the building, adjust pledge statements, change light bulbs, or hear confessions about anything except food issues. I am a renter with a job to do.

Reported by Kip Barkley



**Labyrinth Café Concerts Presents :
Rod MacDonald
Saturday, October 13 at 7:30pm**



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 effected 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 Myra at Myrafly@yahoo.com or 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 the performer) received in the UU church office, c/o Labyrinth Cafe, no later than Wednesday before Saturday show.

We encourage you to take advantage of our season pass (\$150.00 per person) which includes admission to all shows, as well as a Labyrinth Cafe T-shirt (designed and printed by Virginia and Erik Anderson, Labyrinth Cafe volunteers) and premium reserved seating. 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, as well as www.myspace.com/labyrinthcafe for song samples!

Susan Moss, Coordinator, Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series

Social Justice in Action



Social Justice has acquired a little help in Victoria Abbott who will be tackling the Mercy aspect of things. Speaking of Mercy, the School Supply Drive for ChildNet was a HUGE success. Thanks to everyone who participated.

We're getting into full swing with BOLD Justice (Broward Organized Leaders Doing Justice). House Meetings have happened and we're always interested in hearing your personal social justice story. Please save the date of Tuesday October 30 at 7:30pm to join us for BOLD Justice's Community Problems Assembly at the Little Flower Catholic Church, 1805 Pierce Street in Hollywood, where we will discuss which issues that we want to take on for the coming year.

Nicole Rivera is working hard leading our Interweave group. Interweave is a national organization of Unitarian Universalists. We work to end oppression based on sexual orientation and gender identity, and through that work as lesbians, gay men, bisexual persons, transgender persons, and heterosexual allies, we seek an end to **all** oppression. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday October 14 after service at 1:00pm.

Also please join us for Social Justice Committee Meetings on the 4th Friday each month. This month's meeting is October 26 at 7:00pm. This past Social Justice meeting we talked about Marriage Equality. Florida is one of many states that denies same gender couples the right to marry but on top of that also denies same gender couples the right to adopt and foster children. As UU's we Stand On The Side Of Love. Last June we marched in the Pride Parade in Wilton Manors. I'm hoping to see a larger turn out in 2013 and what I'd really love to see is all of us showing up to express what makes us UU's – our various beliefs, our various talents and all of our beautiful diversity.

Lore Bernier - Social Justice Chair

Reproductive Justice Wakes Up the Cluster

This is going to be an exciting Annual Meeting for the SE UU Cluster. Our focus will be on "Reproductive Justice: Expanding Our Social Justice Calling", the UUA's Study Action Issue for 2012-2016. Our keynote speakers will be: Jane Caputi, Ph.D, Professor, Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Florida Atlantic University and Jessica Halpern, Women's Issues Program Associate at the Unitarian Universalist Association.

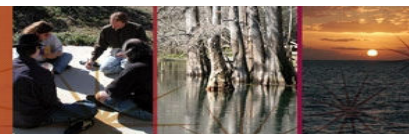
The UUA says, "Reproductive Justice works against the cultural, political, economic, and structural constraints that limit women's access to health care and full reproductive choice. It also includes GLBT adoption issues and equality." And, Reproductive Justice is an issue for both men and women. Jessica Halpern reminds us, "Sure, the availability of abortion and contraception immediately affects women's bodies and are tied up in sexist ideas about control and decision-making, but women don't get pregnant or need contraception all by themselves - men are physically half of that equation! The fullness of every person's reproductive and sexual life is on the line."

Rev. Kenn Hurto, Lead Executive to the UUA Southeast Region, will talk on "What Does District Reorganization Mean to Local Congregations?" Since this is our Annual Meeting we will have brief cluster elections and food.

The Annual Meeting is on Saturday, October 27, 2012, from 9 am to 4 pm at River of Grass UU Congregation in Davie. www.riverofgrass.org. The cost is \$15. For registration by Paypal or check go to <http://www.uuflorida.org/annual.htm>. Childcare is available.



Steve Jens-Rochow President, Southeast UU Cluster



Trustee Tidbits

Welcome to a "new" season in many congregations. In some of our congregations September begins with a "Water Communion" which is an expected and welcome rite.

There is also something new for us at the national level. The UU College of Social Justice (UUCSJ) is an endeavor of the exciting collaboration between our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). This new College has been a part of a UUSC strategic plan dating back approximately two years.

The UUSC, founded in 1940, is a nonsectarian organization that works to advance human rights and social justice worldwide. Partnering with grassroots organizations and advocating for changes in public policy the UUSC helps people in needed areas such as organizing workers and relief in the wake of a disaster. Without writing too much about our UUA, established in 1961 as the result of a merger of the Universalist Church of America and the American Unitarian Association, let it be said our UUA helps UU congregations thrive and promote the values of Unitarian Universalism. Both institutions share the mission of becoming true allies of oppressed people, and acting as catalysts for justice.

The UUCSJ is directed by newly appointed Rev. Kathleen McTigue who will lead the organization in offering current leaders and future activists of any age a broad and effective portfolio of service-learning and justice-education experiences. There will be no funding from the operating budgets of our UUA or UUSC because the UUCSJ is being funded by designated gifts from donors. At General Assembly (GA) it was announced there has already been a \$1million gift. In approximately a year the UUCSJ plans to provide programs at the congregation level the help them determine justice priorities and develop local social justice alliances and partnerships.

I venture to say all of us have been challenged to make a difference in our world. The various social justice experiences/trips the UUCSJ already has offered and/or will be offered in the future are a way to experience an opportunity for personal transformation. Recently a group of 60 UUs traveled to Haiti to assist in the continued re-build there. Another recent trip involved a group of youth/young adults who journeyed to Tuskegee, Birmingham, Selma, and Montgomery to learn about the history of the civil-rights movement. They returned with reports of being overcome with emotion upon learning about Bloody Sunday, and the use of tear-gas and brutal beatings, including the death of one man, during the ultimately successful march to Montgomery.

If your congregation would like more information about the UUCSJ and/or upcoming social justice trips contact uucsj.org. If you would like to contact me please email at jlund@uua.org. I look forward to hearing from you. May your upcoming congregational year be spiritually enriching and rewarding in all of your endeavors.

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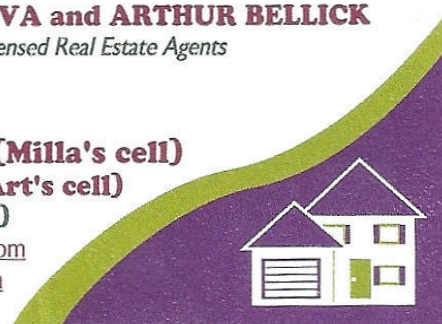
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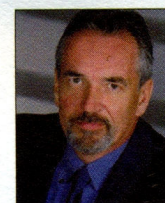
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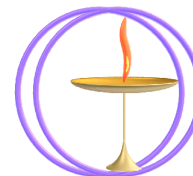
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The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalists

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.



October Birthdays

AMBER ANDERSON 10/2
 GUY JEANTY 10/2
 NORALEE TRAYLOR 10/5
 GERARD {JERRY} ZELIN 10/10
 JUDY KNOPP 10/12
 MARA NEWMAN 10/20
 DEBBIE RIVERA 10/21



If you would like to see your birthday announced here and in the cUUrious cUUrier email newsletter, please contact the office to make sure we have your updated information in the computer

Remember the Hungry People Around Us

Please continue to fill the Food Baskets at the church with non-perishables for the Cooperative Feeding Program. Learn more about the CFP and other ways you can help.

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October Calendar



Every Sunday : 11:00 AM- Church Service and Children's	1 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles	2	3 •6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal-Sopranos and Altos •7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal-Tenors and Basses	4 •7:30 pm CUUPS	5	6 •4:00pm - Occupy Ft Lauderdale/Labor Outreach
7 •9:30am - UU Sisterhood	8 •7:00pm - Board Meeting 7:00pm - A Course in Miracles •7:30pm - Drumming	9	10 •6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal-Sopranos and Altos •7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal-Tenors and Basses	11 •1:00pm - Daytime Book Club at Applebees (see page 5) •7:30 pm CUUPS	12	13 •4:00pm - Occupy Ft Lauderdale/Labor Outreach •7:30 pm Labyrinth Café Concert (see page 7)
14 •Journey Submission Deadline •1:00pm - Interweave (see page 7)	15 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles •7:30pm - Sunday Services Committee	16	17 •6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal-Sopranos and Altos •7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal-Tenors and Basses	18 •7:30 pm CUUPS	19 •7:00pm - Vespers Service (See page 3)	20 •4:00pm - Occupy Ft Lauderdale/Labor Outreach
21 •9:30am - Religious Education committee •9:30am - UU Sisterhood	22 •7:00pm - Membership Committee •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles	23	24 •6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal-Sopranos and Altos •7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal-Tenors and Basses	25 •7:30 pm CUUPS	26 •7:00pm -Social Justice Committee (See page 7)	27 •9:00am - Southeast UU Cluster Meeting at River of Grass (see page 8) •4:00pm - Occupy Ft Lauderdale/Labor Outreach •7:30pm - Annual Witches Ball (see page 6)
28 •11:00am - Pumpkin Carving Party - continues after church service	29 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles	30 •7:30pm - BOLD Justice - Community Problems Assembly (Location TBA) (see page 7)	31 •6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal-Sopranos and Altos •7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal-Tenors and Basses	Religious Education Events See special calendar on the RE page 4		Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events www.uucfl.org and click "Coming Activities"

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Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

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October 7 - A Gathering of the Tribes - A Report on Justice GA- Rev. Gail and other Phoenix veterans will bring back tales, inspiration and war stories of the recent one of a kind General Assembly. We will try to bring you a little of the excitement of that special moment in time.

October 14 - Trauma and Healing - Almost every human being has experienced some type of minor trauma in our lives. However, some among us experience individual and collective trauma so severe it seems almost incomprehensible that it can be healed and yet often it is. Rev. Gail will examine some of the spiritual implications of trauma and possible healing options.

October 21 - Vote No on Proposed Constitutional Amendments 5, 6, and 8 - Bill Schoolman, Vice President of the American Civil Liberties Union in Florida, will inform the congregation on the real issues and ramifications contained in these amendments that will affect church and state relationships, the structure of the state Supreme Court, and Women's reproductive rights in Florida.

October 28 - Trying on Costumes, Trying on Identities - As we look to a time of playing with masks and personas, Rev. Gail who loves Halloween, will share some of the costumes and identities she has tried on over the years. You will be able to decide which of these you can still see peeking out from behind her ministerial identity. As a special part of this service we will honor our ancestors in a Dios de Los Muertos (Mexican Day of the Dead) ceremony. Feel free to bring a picture or memento of a dearly departed loved one whose life you would like to celebrate.

November 4 - At War With the Gods of Addiction, A Jungian Look at Dealing with Addictions - Operating on the assumption that virtually everyone has some type of addiction, Rev. Gail has been examining the addiction field and among other things has learned that Swiss psychologist Carl Jung had a significant influence on Bill W., one of the founders of Alcoholics Anonymous. She will take a look at what this means for all of us.

