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The Monthly Newsletter of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale



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President's Message

"When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it." Clarence Darrow

We say it together every Sunday: "Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law." Since I joined the UUCFL in July of 2001, I've served in a number of different positions and committees over the years. I've worked on Building and Grounds, Sunday Service, Ministerial Search, Membership, and Human Resources committees. I've written and presented four sermons. I've hosted two Pajama party fundraisers, and created the "bearded Madonna" for the RE program. I've sung in the choir, washed dishes, taken out the trash, and even been church secretary for six months. But what I've done in the past is much less important than what you and I will do together this coming year. As your President, my theme for the year is "A Beacon Now And Always". Our church has been a light in the darkness for many people in the past decades, including me. We must do everything



we can to make certain this beacon shines on well into the future for those who will come after us. One way to do this is by serving your church in the best way you can: Serve on a committee, host a fundraiser, come to church every Sunday, raise your pledge, bring friends, family and neighbors to church, donate professional services. We are the key to making sure the UUCFL remains strong and shines its light for many years to come. I always welcome calls to talk about what's on your mind. I'm at (954) 296-0089.

Jim Giblin

2016 Congregational Election Results **Board of Trustees** Endowment We will now have a board of 7 members as a result Doug Friend of our last congregational vote. Gary Ladka Judy Knopp President - Jim Giblin(2017) Jerry Waltz Past President - Dave Griswold(2017) President Elect - Sandy Lange(2017 Nominating Treasurer - Donna Gutierrez(2018) Valerie Heller Secretary - Colleen Coburn(2017) Gary Ladka Trustee - Betty Brantley(2017 Jerry Waltz Trustee - Nelson Lamis(2018)

Ministerial Search Update

I've had the opportunity to speak to many congregants, as well as do periodic updates at church during announcements, but I'm sure those of you who have not been to church recently are wondering how the ministerial search is coming along.

Our search committee currently consists of Donna Gutierrez, Judy Knopp, Sandy Lange, Cathy Waltz and myself. Guy Jeanty, who served with us for a number of months, needed to leave the committee in late April because of work needs. His position was filled by Cathy Waltz, who frequently attends the UU Sisterhood.



In March we were provided by the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) with two candidates. After four weeks of research and phone calls we decided to recommend one of these candidates to the board. Unfortunately, just prior to this recommendation, the candidate removed himself from consideration, citing personal reasons. The other candidate was not recommended by the committee to the board. As of early May, we have one more candidate provided to us by the UUA, and we are in the process of initial review of this application.

If you have any questions on this process, or would like to give some feedback, feel free to call me at (954) 296-0089.

Thanks,

Jim Giblin

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Rev. Gail's Space A Fond Farewell and Blessings

Well here it is at last – my final column as your long time settled minister. To say that I have mixed feelings is an understatement. I have never held the same position this long nor lived continuously in the same community for this long. There are many ironies here as I have never been in love with Florida or Ft. Lauderdale, the congregation has not always been the easiest place to serve and I technically could have considered retiring 8 years ago. Yet I have persevered. I have always found many individual people in the congregation to be extraordinarily admirable and creative. I have found compensations in Ft. Lauderdale such as the Jung Institute, Cinema Paradiso and the Broward Center. I have felt that my adult religious education offerings which I love doing were well received and I have found much satisfaction in my extensive work on a range of social justice projects in the Broward area. People have for the most part been kind about my preaching and the rites of passage I have performed for them or their loved ones.



I have been an imperfect minister and you have been an imperfect congregation. Has it ever been otherwise? Together we experienced both success and failure. We have hung in there and come out the other side on many occasions. Now we are both off into uncharted territory. These periods of wandering in the unknown are referred to as liminal spaces. It can be both scary and exciting. Most of us resist change and it brings anxiety and even crippling fear. I wonder if I will like living in Oxford, MS, Will I be able to finally discipline myself to do the writing projects I have put off for years? Will I be able to find a modest income stream to make my life a little more comfortable and allow for some travel? Will my wonderful relatives get tired of having me around so much? Will I find enough diversions to keep me entertained?

You are no doubt wondering how you will like a new minister and how that minister will respond to you. It looks like you will have a new music program as well and a new person in administration. What will change? What will stay familiar? We can't know. The future is a mystery. I always say any random phone call can change our life for good or bad. We can control only so much. We can stay open, pay attention and wish each other well. I hope that all your dreams and the dreams that others before you have had for this community will come to fruition. I hope for your good wishes in return.

Blessings, *Rev. Gail*

Huge Thank You

I can not ever offer enough group and individual thanks for the terrific send-off the congregation and community gave me on May 15. The music, the remarks, the food, the flowers -It was all so wonderful and I can't think of a better way to end a long ministry. I am deeply grateful to all of you who contributed in any way. I will never forget that afternoon.





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Director of Religious Education (DRE) - Susan Dirgins-Friend Phone (954) 424-1910 Email tiredmomofbob@aol.com

Religious Education



In all of the life that you live, in everything that you do, if you can make a difference in the life of one child, you may be saving the world. It sounds hyperbolic, but I know it is true. How many of the world's despots grew up in loving and supportive homes where they learned about the value of each individual and were loved unconditionally? I have no problem saying that none of them did. How can you help? Become a foster parent. You can make a real, tangible difference. You give a child a home that can help them to be the best person they can be. Perhaps that is more than you can take on right now. What about becoming a Guardian ad Litem? You become the voice for the child- you represent for the child. How about joining the Big Brother/Big Sister program? Both Broward and Dade County Schools have mentoring programs where at-risk youth are paired with willing adults. Sierra Club has plenty of openings for folks to be Inner City Outing Leaders, leading day trips or overnight camping trips into the natural world. There are many children who have little or no access to nature and it has been proven that children who spend quality time outdoors do better in school, and I am sure that there are many other good results that have not yet come to light. Of course, we can always use your help in children's RE right here at UUCFL. I truly believe that the best way we can save the world is to save the children. They are our future, our legacy, our best hope.

Love and blessings, **DRE Susan**



June/July Children's Religious Education Schedule

Sunday June 5, 11AM RE Sunday Our Annual Children's RE Roundup Please have kids at church by 9:30AM

Sunday June 12, 19, 26, 11AM Summer Activity

Sunday July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 11AM Summer Activity

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Lifenet 4 Families/CFP Update



Saturdays June 11 and July 9 from 9-11:15AM we will join our River of Grass friends to work at the LifeNet pantry. Please join us.

Thanks also to the folks who keep filling the lobby basket. Remember that glass items are not ideal, as they can sometimes break in transport, and are difficult to put into food boxes for the same reason. Protein items such as canned tuna, meats, beans, and peanut butter, dried beans, dried pastas and grains, cereal, and boxed milk are the things that are most needed by the pantry.

Info or questions, DRE Susan tiredmomofbob@aol.com (954) 424-1910

Susan Friend

Rev. Gail Tapscott Honored by Colleagues, Congregants and Community



After 17 years here at UUCFL, our congregation, as well as members of the community and colleagues gathered for a wonderful celebration of an extraordinary ministry at the church and beyond our walls. As was so apparent with the

accolades from all who spoke about Rev. Gail, her impact within the church and on the greater social justice causes championed by her with our members, her fellow clergy, or forged on her own will have a lasting inspiration and effect for many years to come. She was well-deservedly bestowed the honor of Minister Emerita by

On a personal note, I wish to thank Gail for being an excellent minister to me and my children as they grew up here, and for the celebration of mine and Stacy's wedding that she made so special for us. I also want to thank her for her tireless devotion to this church. I am proud to say we worked together side by side through many adventures, church and personal, some a little tricky, but mostly great, and all unforgettable.

I will miss you dearly Gail and I wish you all the best in your new chapter. Thanks for everything.

Love Always - Gary Ladka

Music Notes



The Choir program for this church year wrapped up on May 22. From September through May each year this allvolunteer group brings their lovely voices in harmonic offerings to enhance the services.

Now they will be on a well deserved rest during the summer months.

As you may have heard, a change is also coming in the piano playing and music direction of UUCFL. Dot has submitted her wish to retire from playing for services on September 1, 2016. The Board of Trustees voted to accept Dot's request for retirement at their May meeting.

We have heard several quest planists during the last few months. The Music Committee is discussing whether or not they wish to offer the job to any of these musicians. Hopefully there will be an agreement to hire Dot's replacement during the next 2 or 3 months. Watch for further information. This change is not connected in any way with Rev. Gail's departure. It is becoming more of a challenge for me to keep to a schedule due to physical changes of age. It has been my duty and my joy to be part of the music program at UUCFL for more than 30 years. It is time for a change and our beloved church is starting a new chapter. If each member does his/ her duty to be active participants, UUCFL will grow and prosper in the coming years. I plan to be around to watch it all happen.

I wish to thank everyone for their encouragement and support, with special thanks to those who have taken part in the Music Program including vocal and instrumental soloists, choir members, and Music Committee members. We remember Charlie Prather's generous donation of the organ which he and his wife built. So many Choir Directors have contributed over the years, too many to list here, but the most recent whom most of you know, our amazing Susan Friend, and earlier, David Fisher.

So we close our current chapter and look forward to the next with anticipation. Thanks again for your support.

With love, Dot Muise, soon to be ex-Director of Music

Every day that is born into the world comes like a burst of music and rings the whole day through, and you make of it a dance, a dirge, or a life march, as you will. ~Thomas Carlyle

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Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly 2016 June 22-26, Columbus, OH



General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the

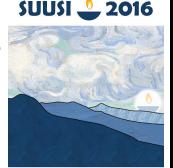
VERSALIST Association through democratic process. Anyone may attend; congregations must certify annually to send voting delegates.

The theme for GA 2016 will be Heart Land: Where Faiths Connect. The faith world is increasingly multifaith. People are crossing borders of religion and spiritual practice to create wholeness in their lives individually and collectively. The labels—Christian, Jew, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, theist and non-theist— no longer define who or what we love, or how spirit moves in our lives. General Assembly 2016 in Columbus Ohio will assemble leaders and communities of many faiths to worship together, learn from one another, and create a new vision of faith that no longer divides us, but connects us to an interdependent future that works for all. Visit www.uua.org/ga for more information and to register.

Southeast Unitarian Universalist Summer Institute 2016 July 17 - 23, Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, NC

SUUSI is an intentional community, and we make time to build community. We are a diverse mix of ages, philosophies, and interests, and it's stimulating to make new friends as well as meet old buddies at SUUSI each year. About onethird of the 1,000 or so participants are attending SUUSI for the first time, and a special effort is made to build that sense of community with the "newcomers" or "first timers." Each afternoon we gather at Community Time to connect as a group. SUUSI is a vacation week to grow, relax, play and connect.

Many experience the workshops, expeditions into the Appalachians, music, and the relaxed conversations with new friends as a welcome time of recharge and re-creation before returning to hectic lives a week later. They discover new



Nothing could be finer ...

interests, new ideas, and new friends in an environment that is safe and familyoriented, but also offers opportunities to stretch and accept new challenges. Visit www.suusi.org

UUCFL Pool Party & BBQ Fundraiser JUNE 4th, 2016 from 4:00 PM Until We're Done!



DJ Gary

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We hope you can attend, but if you are unable, please remember this is a fundraiser for the UUCFL - donations are always welcome!



Claire and Kathy

Open Letter from UUA to LGBTQI Clergy and Leadership in the United Methodist Church

On May 9, 111 United Methodist clergy and candidates issued a "love letter" to their denominational leadership on the eve of their General

Conference. In loving support of these brave clergy and candidates, UUA(Unitarian Universalist Association) President Peter Morales has written

the following letter. Rev. Morales encourages all people of faith and conscience to show their solidarity by signing this letter. (Visit uua.org)

Dear LGBTQI clergy and leadership in the United Methodist Church,

As you gather for General Conference this week, we want you to know we are holding you in light and in love. We recognize and honor the bravery of the many clergy and candidates who have chosen to move out of the shadows and claim their whole selves, even knowing the potential of losing the faith community they love so dearly. We support each person's faithful choice to claim who they are and to respond to their call to ministry with integrity and courage.

At the same time, we understand that the road to institutional inclusion is complex and demanding. It requires vigilance and humility. More than thirty-five years since Unitarian Universalist congregations first insisted that the Unitarian Universalist Association "lend full assistance in the settlement of qualified openly gay, lesbian, and bisexual religious leaders," we are continually called and challenged to expand the circle of love to more fully and faithfully include all of our lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/ questioning, and intersex religious leaders.

As our understanding of people's lives and identities deepen, and as we undertake the sometimes agonizing re-examination of what it means to live as faithful people, we move closer to Beloved Community where the inherent worth and dignity of all is not only affirmed and honored, but justice, equity, and compassion are fully realized.

What we have learned in the past four decades is that the journey must begin, and that it begins by saying, "Thank you." It is when we say thank you to LGBTQI clergy and leaders for their courage in showing us who they are – even at great risk to themselves – for their strength in continuing to love those who refuse to open their hearts, for their persistence in not abandoning their faith but loving it so much to call us all to account that we receive the abundant gifts of each unique and love-filled person. In this spirit, we thank you.



We hope LGBTQI clergy persons of the United Methodist Church find the love and acceptance we know their faith community holds for them. Most importantly, we hope that Spirit moves through your gathering so that all who are called to ministry can offer their whole integral selves to serve a fragmented world in so desperate need of their love.

In faith,

Rev. Peter Morales - President of the Unitarian Universalist Association

Coming CUUPS Events

Saturday June 25 at 7:00pm we celebrate Mid-Summer and honor the Goddess Yemaya. Yemaya is the Yorùbá Orisha or Goddess of the living Ocean, considered the mother of all. She is the source of all the waters, including the rivers of western Africa, especially the River Ogun. Please everyone wear preferably white or blue ritual garb.

Thursday evening Study Groups continue:

June 2: Hurricane Magick June 9: Kitchen Witchcraft June 16: Our Mother Gaia June 23: Stories of Litha and Ritual Planning June 30: Pop Culture & Witchcraft

July 7: Mini Smudge Sticks July 14: Corn Dollies July 21: Blessings Moon July 28: Lammas and Ritual Planning



Saturday July 28 at 7:30pm we celebrate the Native American Corn Festival at the time Europeans called the First Harvest or Lammas.

--Kip, Resident Pagan With Blessings, Edie & Marty McAnulty - CUUPS Facilitators

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Spend Summertime with Books and UU Principles Summer vacation! Don't we all want to become kids again at this time of year, and anticipate long days spent floating in a pool,

tossing a Frisbee around the beach, waiting for a juicy burger (or veggie burger) to come off the grill, and chasing down the ice cream truck for a cold treat on an endless twilit evening? I hope everyone gets a chance to do some of those things this summer, along with a big, healthy dose of NOTHING. But I'd like to suggest another summer kid tradition: the summer reading list. Some of your inner children are secretly rolling your eyes and groaning, but the inner bookworm children who you see before you looked forward to summer reading as much as summer ice cream. And for those of us who never could catch, MORE than summer Frisbee.

Our wise childhood English teachers knew that young minds needed stretching as much as young bodies needed summer leisure. And that's why I am urging every member and friend of this church to participate in my UU Summer Reading Challenge. May I suggest that not only do we all read a whole delectable pile of books, but that we challenge ourselves with different topics, settings and genres of reading materials. My list was compiled partly with inspiration from our UU principles and partly with the plain unabashed love of books. Though scheduling conflicts prevented this idea from becoming a Sunday service, I will be presenting a "Summer Book Report" service in the autumn. Anyone interested in speaking about any of their summer reads can please email me. Maybe I'll even give out gold stars. So hit the library!

And now, the list. Many categories could be filled by either a fiction or non-fiction work, and a mix of both is highly encouraged:

1. Inherent worth and dignity – a biography/story about an inspiring individual. Easy. And for a tougher Extra Credit assignment: bio/story about an infamous, even reprehensible individual. Can we find that inherent worth in everybody? Thieves? Slave traders? Hitler? That first step is really a doozy.

2. Justice, equity, acceptance; use of the democratic process (yeah I jammed a couple principles together): writings on some pivotal moment in history or involving a present-day struggle for justice; authors who were ahead of their time regarding equal rights for women or people of color. Louisa May Alcott is a favorite of mine.

3. Acceptance: who is The Other? Books on those of a religion and/or tradition very different from our own experience. The Kite Runner comes to mind.

4. Free and responsible search for truth: A quest book. Stories of journeys and the lessons learned along the way. Tolkien, anyone? (And watching the "They're Taking the Hobbits to Isengard" video, addictive as it is, does not count.)

5. World community: Throw a dart at a map. Read a book about some randomly far-off place. Find the differences and similarities between us and the characters.

6. Interdependent web: One of my fave principles. This could be a non-fiction work about any of the myriad wonders of nature, or a fantastical story involving interaction with the non-human world, maybe with a healthy dose of magick thrown in. Or something with an animal protagonist – how I loved books like Bambi, The Incredible Journey and White Fang as a kid! Don't even get me started on all the Marguerite Henry horse books.

7. And while we're on the subject of magick....a good sci-fi fantasy read. Even if you think it's not your genre, a great author like Bradbury of Piers Anthony may change your mind.

8. The LOL Category: a comedy book. To me, nothing can beat Douglas Adams but there are some other funny folks out there too. Groucho Marx' autobiography is a riot.

9. Personal roots: a book set in your hometown, or of your ethnic background; something that speaks to your childhood and/or to a family history you've only just begun to explore.

10. A coming of age character study. Stories like this can be subtle. They might not keep us on the edge of our seats, but they draw us into explorations of what it means to be alive. One of my time-honored favorites is A Tree Grows in Brooklyn.

11. The Delving Deeper Category: a personal favorite. There are wonderful novels which skew the established notions of well-known characters and narratives, and force some rethinking of concepts of good and evil, such as the Wicked series. I also happen to love in-depth exploration of fairy tales and mythology (yes I've got books to lend).

12. The Bard. Yep, Shakespeare gets his own category, because...Shakespeare. Read him. Best of all is a good annotated copy or a critique which sheds some light on the language and context. Filthy Shakespeare is a great one – when you have no idea his characters are talking about sex, they're talking about sex.

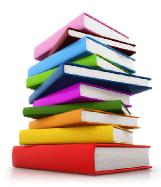
13. And lucky #13: an unabashedly self-indulgent fluff read. Hey, I love a good love story, even if it isn't necessarily a GOOD love story. This is the Nutella-and-graham-crackers of our otherwise sensible book list, a beach read to sink into. If not a love story (OK, guys), it could be a rip-roaring adventure for the sake of rip-roaring adventure. Sci-fi can make its appearance again here. Go ahead, indulge.

Valerie Heller - email tapwitch@gmail.com to participate in the "Book Report" service in Sep. or Oct.

1. PURE ESCAPIST FICTION. Grab a delightful beach-read and dive into medieval castles or outer space or romance on the moors or wherever you like to escape to.

2. BIOGRAPHY OF AN INSPIRING INDIVIDUAL. Who has made the world a better place? Learn more about her/him. Delve deeper. What life events led to great actions?

3. BIOGRAPHY OF AN INFAMOUS INDIVIDUAL. Here's a trickier one. War criminals, murders, thieves – they're the ones that our "inherent worth and dignity" are difficult to see in.



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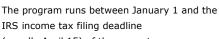


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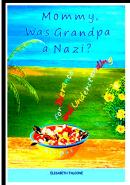
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If you would like to see your birthday announced here and in the cUUrious cUUrier email newsletter, please contact the office to make sure we have your updated information in the computer

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Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

JUNE/JULY 2016

June 5 - Religious Education Sunday - On this special Sunday our Religious Education Director Susan Friend and our unique young people share what their year in the education wing has been like. This is always a great service as we celebrate those who represent our future.

June 12 - The Church Where People Laugh -

We Unitarian Universalists like to think of ourselves as being able to laugh at ourselves. There are actually two little books that are all made up of jokes and humor about UUs. Today Rev. Gail will share some of these jokes with some commentary on what they really are saying about our movement.

June 19 - Two Angles on Fathering - Today Rev. Gail and Religious Education Chair Michael Coburn will look at Father's Day from two different perspectives.

June 26- Toward a Good Goodbye and the Art of Living in Liminal Space - On her last Sunday in the pulpit as UUCFL's settled minister, Rev. Gail Tapscott will address the sadness twinged with excitement of transitions and the unique experience of living in and with the great unknown. There may be some special music and treats today as well.



July 3 – Ware Lecture at UUCFL- Standing Your Sacred

Ground - Back by popular demand, Unitarian Universalist General Assembly Ware Lecture returns to UUCFL. In 2013, Dr. Eboo Patel, thinker, interfaith leader, author, chosen by Harvard's Kennedy School Review as 'one of five future policy leaders to watch', spoke on Standing Your Sacred Ground: Unitarian Universalists and Interfaith Leadership. Larry Wilkner will facilitate our spirited and sobering chat

July 10 - TBA - Your Sunday Service Committee is hard at work preparing something amazing for you. Join us and see!

July 17 – This I Believe - Based on the bestselling This I Believe essays and the NPR series, Rev. Murray returns to give a reflective and motivating sermon on beliefs.

July 24 - Community and Conflict: The Social Media Paradigm"- Lisa LeSueur has been a manager in the public sector for over 25 years and is a third year seminary student at Chicago Theological Seminary. Her sermon will focus on the changing understanding of community in the age of social media and the ramifications for managing conflict.

July 31 – Ride to Awareness - Allen and Gale Giese of River of Grass will share their 2-month bike ride from San Diego, CA to St. Augustine, FL as a backdrop for their poignant sermon on mental illness. They will help us to view mental illness as a social justice issue and enable us to open our hearts as we develop a deeper understanding of its impact.