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## A Unitarian Universalist Look at The Bible Class Series Continues

**Tuesdays November 1 - 29 at 7:00pm**

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## The Cooperative Feeding Program needs some extra volunteer help this month

**Saturday November 5**

**and**

**Monday November 21**

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**LifeNet4Families**

Cooperative Feeding Program



## New Adult Religious Education Class "A Course in Miracles"

The Series is held on Mondays at 7:00pm  
Beginning November 7



## Labyrinth Café Concerts Presents:

### Jennings & Keller/ Small Potatoes

**Saturday, November 12**  
**at 7:30 p.m.**

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## Building the World We Dream About

## Monthly Workshops Continue

**Sunday, November 13**

**at 12:45pm**

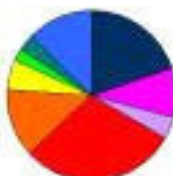
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## All Church Harvest Moon Party

**Saturday November 19**

**at 7:00pm**

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## Budget 2012 Workshop

**Sunday November 20**

**At 12:45pm**

Your positive input is Treasured - see Page 5

### From Your Board President

*"Helping people is a great feeling....  
It's addicting!"*

~ Peter Lange, Unitarian Universalist



I was fortunate to experience the process of preparing and delivering a sermon on my experiences as a volunteer and volunteer leader. It was greatly rewarding. In preparation, I searched back in my memory for those people I served and those agencies I supported.

Some of the memories came back to me as clear as if I had experienced them a few weeks ago and not a few years ago. Peter Lange summarized my lengthy sermon in only a few minutes in his heartfelt testimonial. I intentionally did not share on my volunteer experiences with UUCFL. I wanted to avoid any appearance of being preachy or appearing to strong-arm for more volunteer support at our church.

My volunteer experiences at UUCFL have been memorable. One of the strongest memories I have was when I shopped and prepared the lunch for David Fisher's memorial service. The service itself was life affirming and uplifting. I really felt in those few hours at David's service (which he had directed with Reverend Gail when he was ill) that we were experiencing his last gift to us. All of the volunteers who helped to serve the meal and clean up afterwards were so enthusiastic and tireless. I remember everyone being joyful while at the same time, missing our friend. We all gratefully embraced the spirit of his generous gift as a community that loved him well.

If you would like to share your time volunteering at UUCFL, please speak to any of the Board Members and certainly to our Committee Chairpersons. Consider helping out on the Finance Committee, Human Resources Committee, Sunday Service Committee, Membership Committee, Building and Grounds and the Caring Committee. For a frequent commitment, consider scheduling time in the kitchen during coffee hour and helping with the Labyrinth Café performances.

The time you spend nurturing our congregation will surely gratify you.

*Colette Saucier*

### Words from the Board



Last month I wrote about serving the Board as a spiritual practice so I'd like to share with everyone some of the ways you can get involved with the Board and its projects without being a trustee. There is so much going on that I am positive you can find some way to transform church "work" into a favorite spiritual practice.

First, I'd like to remind everyone that your Board would love to get the congregation involved in our meetings. Participation, or just observation, is a great way to get to know the Board processes. If you are curious to see how the Board operates, please come join us one evening. Please also keep in mind that Board meetings are not intended to be general discussion groups but you are welcome to bounce ideas off Board members and definitely encouraged share your ideas during committee meetings! We had two guests at our last meeting – Nicole Shulman let us know that unfortunately, the housing the homeless program we have been involved with has been canceled; Steve Lange provided us with information about potentially obtaining the Clark Property adjacent to UUCFL property. We thank both for their time and communication. Board meeting minutes will soon be available online but that is no excuse not to visit!

Attending committee meetings and workdays are also fantastic ways to learn more about our congregation, get involved in our community or to express your spirituality. The upcoming budget meeting is a great way to incorporate all three! All the budget tinkering has been taking place during the past few finance meetings but we need the Congregation's involvement, so I can't urge you enough to attend. A number of board members attended the last finance meeting and I am excited to present the culmination of everyone's hard work for your approval!

I hope everyone enjoyed our Wizard of Oz themed Stewardship kickoff. While you consider making your financial pledge, don't forget all that your participation is just as treasured. These were only a few ways to get involved in UUCFL but there is so much more. Check out the Church calendar by the front door, Upcoming Events listed in your order of service, and visit our website at [uucfl.org](http://uucfl.org) for an online calendar or to sign up for our e-newsletter, the cUUrIOUS cUUrrier!

Mark your calendars! The next (and every) board meeting is the second Sunday of the month at 7PM.

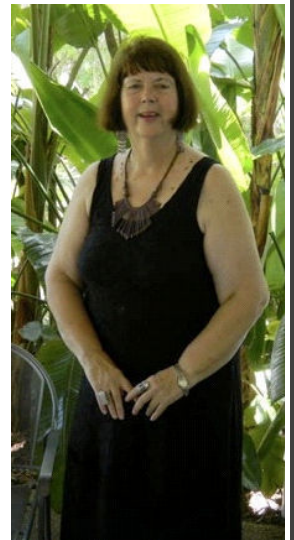
*Alexis Blasenheim, Secretary*

## ***Rev. Gail's Space***

### **Always Wanting More**

In a season where we are starting to think about what we are grateful for, I find myself in the position of soul searching about why I often feel that I am never satisfied. While I feel that I enjoy and am grateful for all the emotional and physical gifts of my life, I realize that I frequently feel that I always crave more in situations where I should just be happy with what I have.

As many of you know I had a great time in Santa Fe this summer, taking a class on Hawthorne, doing a tutorial on The Magic Mountain by Thomas Mann (a book I have been trying to read for over 30 years). I spent time working on some of my personal writing projects, visiting with friends in the area and just enjoying the wonderful spiritual energy of the high southwest desert. By any definition I was blessed. So many people barely get a week off and often have to spend it at home doing life maintenance stuff. Then just recently, I spent a week in Washington, D.C. which is kind of my own personal Emerald City. Normally, I spend more time there each year but this summer, I just could not pull a trip together for some reason. Suddenly, at the end of September I started feeling that I just would not be able to go forward for the rest of the year without a little fix of D.C. I had not been there in autumn for maybe 20 years and it was amazing. The air was cool and crisp and there was a lot going on. I went to an amazing play at the Studio Theatre which used to be almost a living room theatre and now has a great building and two stages. It is located in a newly hot area called Logan Circle which is an area around 14th St. When I used to live there it would have been risking your life to walk down this area of the street. Now it is full of great eating options, bars and coffee shops and the biggest Whole Foods store I have ever seen.

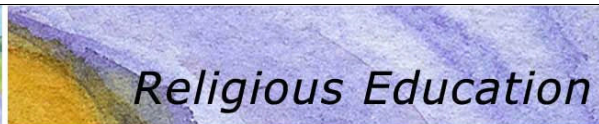


So much of D.C. looks very different from what I remember but I always feel so energized when I am there. I feel like I have almost a personal relationship with the city as a whole. There are memories on every street corner and I always feel like there are more memories to be made. Whenever, I leave I feel a strange grief as if I should never have left. I always love seeing my friends but in some ways it is the city itself that is the draw. I love the different flavor of each neighborhood- the charm of Georgetown, the amazing ethnic mix of Adams Morgan and the youthful associations I have with DuPont Circle. I always leave wanting more. It makes me feel a little guilty but in the end, I guess that the feeling of wanting more is what makes me feel young and full of energy at an age when some of my friends seem to have little passion for life. I am wondering if feeling the tension between being grateful and always wanting more is something to apologize for or celebrate. It would be awful to find myself with nothing else I wanted to see, experience, feel or have. I think I will just keep wanting more. I hope that this season you both feel grateful and want more.

Blessings,

***Rev. Gail***





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We are moving into the fall/winter season, and with it, the upcoming holidays. We enjoy spending more time with friends and family during this period, eating, drinking and making merry. It is a time for hospitality. Many of us keep extra munchie stuff in the pantry just in case someone drops in, and there is usually an extra bottle of wine around too. Let us take this attitude with our beloved church community. How about inviting a friend to church on Sunday? What about asking your mom (who goes to another, more NORMAL church) to attend a Vespers service (safe, very safe)? We are having some social events, like the Harvest Moon Party on November 19, and our post service Holiday Gathering on December 18. It would be great to ask one of those friends of yours that you keep thinking, "He/she would really like our church", wouldn't it? I would be especially happy to see some children visit us. I would like to see all of our kids together on a Sunday, or at a party, and have them show the visitor kids what we do at UUCFL. As we get busier and busier during the holidays, it is tempting to regard Sunday morning at church as an "if I have time" activity, rather than as a necessary period of sacredness and renewal. You might think, "Oh, it's just another party I don't have time for". You all need to recharge, and when you are recharging, bring a friend to get the charge too. We have so much to offer at our little place, so come, bring friends, and experience the reverence, the lack there-of, the love and the fun.

Love and Blessings, *DRE Susan*

### November Children's Religious Education Schedule

Sunday November 6, 11AM  
 Abraham and Isaac  
 Kids Start in Church

Sunday November 13, 11AM  
 Joseph and His Brothers  
 Kids Start in Class

**Saturday November 19, 7PM**  
**Harvest Moon Party (See Below)**  
**ALL CHURCH PARTY**

Sunday November 20, 11AM  
 Thanksgiving Lesson  
 Kids Start in Church

### Harvest Moon Party

Come join your church friends as we tend the campfire, sing songs, enjoy the wonderful weather, and celebrate the season of thanks. We will be having a potluck supper, crafts for all, fellowship and fun.

Questions or info DRE Susan  
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### Life Net 4 Families/Cooperative Feeding Update



We will be doing our regular work day at CFP on November 5. Please meet at the Cooperative Feeding at 8:45AM. We will be packing boxes, filling shelves, and whatever else needs to be done.

**We are doing a special Thanksgiving volunteer day. We will be working to help get the many holiday food boxes the pantry provides ready for pick-up and delivery. We are working on Monday November 21, from**

**8:45AM to 4PM. There are two shifts there, from 8:45 until 12:30, and 12:30 until 4PM. You can do either the AM or PM shift, or come for the whole day. I will have a picnic type lunch for the all day folks. This will be a day of hard work, fellowship, and fun. I already have several people signed up, but I need a few more people for each shift. Many hands make light work, and the more the merrier.**

**Come join us in helping those who will enjoy a better holiday because of your work.**

Questions or info DRE Susan (954) 424-1910  
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LifeNet4Families

Cooperative Feeding Program

### UUCFL Finance Notes



We are in the final quarter of this fiscal year. Thanks for keeping pledges on-track. In the coming weeks you will get a reminder of your current 2011 pledge status. Please let us know if there are any discrepancies. By the time you read this, the Stewardship campaign and second Finance

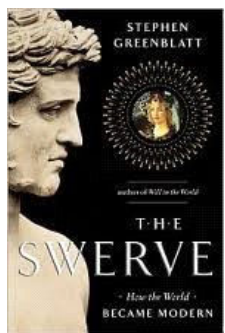
committee meeting to prepare the 2012 budget will have occurred. Both efforts will help us prepare for a fiscally sound 2012. Please join the Budget 2012 workshop on 11/20 (Sunday) to review the initial presentation and share your ideas toward creating a budget we can all agree on.

*Douglas Paul, Treasurer*

### Book Group Takes a Turn at The Swerve

The UUCFL Book Group meets on the fourth Sunday of each month to discuss a different book or reading (This month November 27 at 12:45pm). The selections are an assortment of fiction and non-fiction and, in addition to being entertaining, touch upon U-U principles in diverse and sometimes roundabout ways. All church members and friends are invited to read along and participate in this fun and lively group - even if you haven't read the book.

This month's selection:



***The Swerve:***  
***How the World Became Modern***  
by Stephen Greenblatt  
(ISBN: 0393064476)

One of the world's most celebrated scholars, Stephen Greenblatt has crafted both an innovative work of history and a thrilling story of discovery, in which one manuscript, plucked from a thousand years of neglect, changed the course of human thought and made possible the world as we know it. The copying and translation of

this ancient book--the greatest discovery of the greatest book-hunter of his age--fueled the Renaissance, inspiring artists such as Botticelli and thinkers such as Giordano Bruno; shaped the thought of Galileo and Freud, Darwin and Einstein; and had a revolutionary influence on writers such as Montaigne and Shakespeare and even Thomas Jefferson.

*UUCFL Book Group*

### Music Notes

The October music at UUCFL has really rocked! October 2 Vernon Allen gave us "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" and sang the solo in the choir the next Sunday in "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit".

That 19-voice choir raised the roof! So now we need more risers to accommodate our growing musical family. What a wonderful problem!



You thought you knew the hymn "This Little Light of Mine" but how about that special arrangement by the choir on October 23. The choir is doing more and more a capella singing which is difficult to perform well but we have some excellent voices able to hold the pitch. How lucky we are at UUCFL.

To complete the month, Bob Vandivort brings his jazz trio to spook us for the Haunting service. These musicians are true artists. This program is made possible by the David Fisher Memorial Music Fund. Although David is no longer with us, his influence continues.

Looking ahead to November, topping the past month will be difficult. Choir will be singing November 6 and November 20. Between those dates we may have a touch of Blues. Then completing the schedule on November 27 we will hear the beautiful violin music of Allen Giese with Gary Gonzalez on guitar, sure to be a most enjoyable music program.

Thank you to Charlie for his organ accompaniments to the hymns, to Vernon for his beautiful solos, to Susan Friend for all her hard work planning and rehearsing the choir, and to each of those singers who faithfully attend those rehearsals every Wednesday night.

*Dot Muise, Director of Music*

*Thanksgiving comes to us out of the prehistoric dimness, universal to all ages and all faiths. At whatever straws we must grasp, there is always a time for gratitude and new beginnings.*

*~J. Robert Moskin*

**BOLD Justice Attracts Commitment**

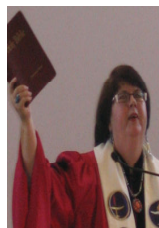
I could not have been more thrilled with the fact that 29 members of UUCFL attended the Oct. 8 training for BOLD Justice work. I cannot recall that many of our members attending anything other than Sunday service. It was fascinating to see all of you rubbing shoulders with the members of the New Jerusalem Baptist Church and wonderful to see how much we agreed on the issues plaguing our society despite our different belief systems. Then on Oct. 20 about a dozen of you showed up to choose some issues to focus on for the next year. As I write this it is too soon to know how many of you made it to the big Oct. 27 Community Problems Assembly to vote on the single issue that the group will concentrate on for the coming year but I feel sure we will have been well represented. This is truly proving to be one of the highlights of my ministry to see so many of you express such passion for this Interfaith justice seeking group. Continue to let justice roll down like waters.

*Rev Gail for The BOLD Justice Team*

**A UU Look At The Bible Continues**

Our Unitarian Universalist look at the Jewish scriptures, particularly the prophetic tradition, continues on 5 Tuesdays in November. This interactive class is designed to enable participants to be more conversant with the religious ideas of our Jewish and Christian neighbors and to have a clearer understanding of some of the scriptural bases for the BOLD Justice initiative and other social action options. The first class was well attended and seemed to be stimulating to folks. It was fascinating to see how differently our members have experienced learning about this pivotal book. The class runs from Nov. 1 through 29. It starts at 7:00 p.m. and runs for about two hours. A donation of \$30 is suggested for remaining five classes. Please join us and move into the ranks of the biblically literate.

*Rev. Gail*

**Building the World We Dream About**

**BtWWDA** workshops are fun, informational and encourage self assessment. The curriculum is interactive and encourages sharing of our varied life experiences.

Come and interact with other UU members and visitors to our fellowship. You might be amazed at how much your life experience and outlook can contribute to the learning experience of others; and how much you in turn can be enlightened by the contribution of others in the workshop.

The **BtWWDA** workshops truly embody the principles of Unitarian Universalism. We encourage every member of the congregation to attend at least two (if not three) BtWWDA Part II workshops. The Workshops are scheduled for the second Sunday of each month. We'll continue to meet after the service, but monthly instead of bi-monthly this time.

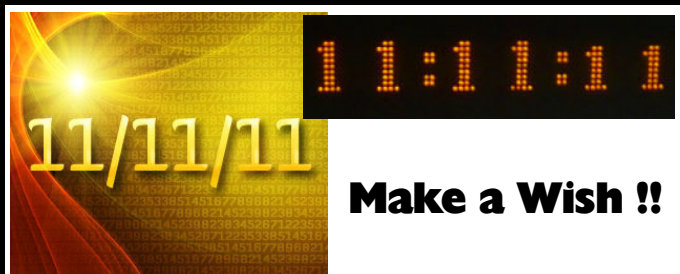
The next Workshop is on November 13 at 12:45pm

*BtWWDA Task Force*

**CUUPS Update**

As you read this, we will have just completed another successful Witches Ball. In November, we have no Sabbats, but Thursday evenings Study Group continues. On Nov 3, we learn of Past-Life regression, on Nov 10, we learn of Mama Quilla, the Incan Moon Goddess, Nov 17 is open, on Nov 24 we stay home and do our own Turkey Rituals. Some will use tofu, others will use the real bird. It's all part of the cycle of life. Happy harvest time.

*Kip, Resident Pagan*





**Labyrinth Café Concerts Presents:  
Jennings & Keller/Small Potatoes- Saturday, November 12 - 7:30 p.m.**

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. Dana Keller is a veteran pedal steel, dobro, and guitar player. 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](http://www.jenningsandkeller.com)



The Chicago based folk duo Small Potatoes (Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso) call themselves eclectic-maniacs and describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy". They say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues, and swing to Irish. Superb musicianship and showmanship, award-winning songwriting, and a strong sense of tradition has made them, as Dirty Linen Magazine once said, "one of the most polished, inventive, and entertaining shows on the circuit." They both sing, they both play guitars and an array of other instruments. They even yodel. [www.smallpotatoesmusic.com](http://www.smallpotatoesmusic.com)

Reservations requested but not required: Contact Susan at 954-478-8637

\$15 at the door; \$12 advance reservations (checks made out to the performer received in the UU church office no later than Wednesday before Saturday show)...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)

We're once again offering a season pass (\$100 per person), which includes admission to all 9 September-May shows, as well as a Labyrinth Cafe T-shirt (designed and printed by Virginia and Erik, 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! Visit [www.labyrinthcafe.com](http://www.labyrinthcafe.com)

*Susan Moss - Labyrinth Café Concerts*

### Labyrinth Café - The 2011 - 12 SEASON

December 3, 2011 (first Saturday) – Karen Mal/Laurie McClain  
January 14, 2012 – John Wort Hannam/Rod MacDonald  
February 11, 2012 – Gurf Morlix/Sam Baker

March 10, 2012 – Sam Pacetti/Nick Annis  
April 14, 2012 – Raina Rose/Rebecca Loebe  
May 12, 2012 – Amy Carol Webb/Kat Eggleston

### Endowment Fund Accepting Grant Requests

The Endowment Fund Inc. will be accepting grant applications for this year. EFI is pleased to fund special projects from non-profit organizations to promote UU principles through social justice and charity. Some recipients in the past have been: Cooperative Feeding Program; Goodwill Industries, UUCFL Music Committee, plus individuals who are spear-heading projects and have been approved by our UUCFL Board.

The grant process is simple: Complete the one-page proposal summary form found on our website at <http://uucfl.org/evolution/endowment/grants.shtml> and return it with six copies to the EFI mailbox or an Endowment Trustee by November 15th. Describe the project, what you hope it will accomplish, and the amount of money requested. If you have further questions, please see one of the EFI Board Members:

*Vernon Allen  
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### District Executive Message

***“How can we live in a world partly prosperous and mostly miserable?”***

**~ Wm. Sloane Coffin**

Most people are not facile when it comes to discussing economics. I am among them. However, most grasp readily the idea of economic justice.

You don't need a PhD nor espouse socialism to know there is something basically, morally wrong with the increasing concentration of wealth and income to ever fewer people in the last generation. The emerging "Occupy" movement taps into that sense of unfairness, especially that those who were most directly responsible for the Great Recession have prospered by the various bail-outs given (at taxpayer expense!) to Wall Street. Curiously, it is the same resentment felt by supporters of the Tea Party.

Is this a religious issue? Yes, given that one's religious life attempts to address the large questions of how we are together in the human family. Our faith, Unitarian Universalism, long has been concerned that many suffer miserably while a few prosper. Social justice always gets around to economic justice. How can anyone defend a few having far too much and many having far too little? This is anathema to the social implications of Universalism, where every person matters ultimately. (Quick theologic aside: you can defend the status quo only if you are a Calvinist, believing that your "having" is a sign of your being right with God, being chosen, and those "not having" are deserving of their fate.)

Our UUA has not had an opportunity to discuss how our faith might address the "Occupy" movement. No doubt, it will be among our conversations at **"Justice GA"** in Phoenix next June.

Meanwhile, I call your attention to a recent letter from our UUA President, Peter Morales, (see: <http://www.uua.org/news/pressroom/pressreleases/188405.shtml>) in which he notes:

"Unitarian Universalism embodies a long tradition of working for economic justice and workers' rights. Today is another opportunity for us to live our faith, and the Occupy protests are a first step on the road to repairing our country.

"I reach out to Unitarian Universalists everywhere to consider how you might be of service to any among us who are struggling to provide for their families, those who have been cheated and abused by financial institutions, and all those whose backs ache under a burden of debt, unemployment, and fading hope. Let the world see the power of our faith in action."

To pursue this conversation further in your congregation, take a look at the resources available at [uua.org](http://uua.org) as well as Unitarian Universalists for Economic Justice (<http://www.uujec.org/>). I welcome hearing from you of the ways your congregation is engaged in economic justice work. Please send me a note; I'll be glad to share your information with others who may be eager to partner with you.

All Blessings, for you, your congregation, our faith and our communities.

***Rev. Kenn Hurto - Florida District Executive of the Unitarian Universalist Association***

### Time for a SWIM!!



Join us in Florida for SWIM, our annual intergenerational intentional camp. We work and play together, worship and learn together. We frolic in the sun with Unitarian Universalists and friends--especially awesome people like YOU! We're inviting all citizens of the UUuniverse to join us. There are workshops, trips, programs for children and teens, daily worship services, serendipity every evening with music and dancing, and so much more.

We spend time at beautiful Camp Owaissa Bauer, 17007 SW 264 Street, Homestead, FL, while sampling the activities the area has to offer or just relaxing among friends. Watch for our full brochure which will include details on workshops, trips, and special events. We hope to see you in December! Visit [www.swimuu.org](http://www.swimuu.org) for more details



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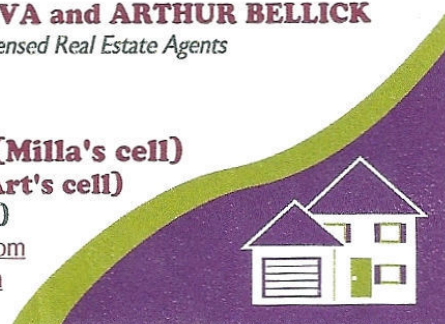
\*Allergies \*Personal Growth  
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### H & R Block Fundraiser Continues

 The tax season is over for many of us, but Ken Wensel continues to participate in the H&R Block referral program that benefits UUCFL. Ken can be reached at 561-542-3198.

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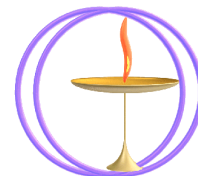
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## The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalists

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.



### November Birthdays

Erik Anderson 11/1  
Ken Beier 11/2  
Coral Horton 11/4  
Collette Broadway 11/19  
Lashawnda Buckner 11/23  
Katie McAlpin 11/25  
Bradlee Backman 11/27  
Andrew Limpert 11/28  
Dorothy Bellick 11/30  
Hannah Solis 11/30



*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*

### 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. Visit [www.feedbroward.org](http://www.feedbroward.org) or call (954) 792-2328

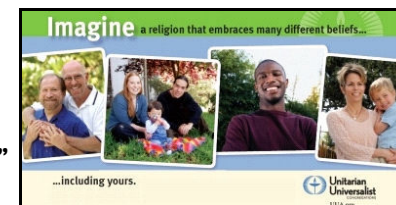




# November Calendar



<p><b>Every Sunday :</b> <b>11:00 AM-</b> <b>Church Service</b> <b>and Children's</b> <b>Religious Education</b></p>	<p><b>Religious</b> <b>Education Events</b> <b>See special</b> <b>calendar</b> <b>on the RE page 4</b></p>	<p><b>1</b> •7:00pm - A UU Look at The Bible class with Rev Gail (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>2</b> •7:00pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>3</b> •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> •8:45am - Cooperative Feeding Program Workday (see page 4)</p>
<p><b>6</b> •9:30am - UU Sisterhood</p>	<p><b>7</b> •7:00pm - Course in Miracles Class •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation</p>	<p><b>8</b> •7:00pm - A UU Look at The Bible class with Rev Gail (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>9</b> •7:00pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>10</b> •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>11</b> </p>	<p><b>12</b> •8:00am - Building &amp; Grounds Workday •7:30pm - Labyrinth Café Concert (see page 7)</p>
<p><b>13</b> <b>Journey Submission</b> <b>Deadline</b> •9:30am - UU Sisterhood •12:45pm - Building the World We Dream About (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>14</b> •7:00pm - Board Meeting •7:00pm - Course in Miracles Class</p>	<p><b>15</b> •7:00pm - A UU Look at The Bible class with Rev Gail (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>16</b> •7:00pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>17</b> •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>18</b> •7:30pm - Membership Drumming</p>	<p><b>19</b> •7:00pm - All Church Harvest Moon Party (see page 4)</p>
<p><b>20</b> •9:30am - UU Sisterhood •12:45pm - Budget Workshop (see page 5)</p>	<p><b>21</b> •8:45am - Special Cooperative Feeding Program Workday (shift 1) •12:30pm - Special Cooperative Feeding Program Workday (shift 2) •7:00pm - Course in Miracles Class •7:30pm - Sunday Services Committee •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation</p>	<p><b>22</b> •7:00pm - A UU Look at The Bible class with Rev Gail (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>23</b> •7:00pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>24</b>   <u>NO CUUPS Meeting</u></p>	<p><b>25</b> •7:00pm - Vespers Service</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27</b> •1:00pm - Book Discussion Group</p>	<p><b>28</b> •7:00pm - Membership Committee •7:00pm - Finance Committee •7:00pm - Course in Miracles Class</p>	<p><b>29</b> 7:00pm - A UU Look at The Bible class with Rev Gail (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>30</b> •7:00pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p>Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events <a href="http://www.uucfl.org">www.uucfl.org</a> and click "Coming Activities"</p>		





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## The JOURNEY



### Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

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#### **November 6 - Sex, Love and Rock Your Soul -**

In the minds of many, U Us and sex go hand in hand. Lots of folks know us mainly for our pioneering curriculum "About Your Sexuality." More recently we have become well known for our multi-age curriculum a "Our Whole Lives" that addresses sexuality in the context of relationship and spirituality. Rev. Gail will discuss how we have impacted the culture in this area. Our great choir will be singing.

#### **November 13 - Blues in the Night -**

Rev. Gail will examine the music and message of that unique American art form known as the Blues. We will hear some classic recordings and hopefully have a live blues performer.

#### **November 20 - Thanksgiving Program -**

A thoughtful and heartfelt look at this annual tradition presented by your Sunday Service committee. The choir will sing.

#### **November 27 - Nathaniel Hawthorne, Man of the Past, Man of the Future -**

One of Rev. Gail's summer study leave projects was taking a class on the short stories of this Unitarian author. All the stories covered focused on his views of the positive and negative possibilities inherent in science and technology. Learn about this amazingly modern forefather and how his wisdom can still speak to us.

#### **December 4 - The Risks We Take -**

Rev. Gail will take a look at the double edged sword of safety and risk and how most of us come down on one side or the other in terms of how we choose to live our lives. As we enter the holiday season, she will suggest that all spiritual traditions come out in favor of risk vs. safety. Our choir has some special treats in store.

