# The JOURNEY

The Monthly Newsletter of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale



### JUNE/JULY 2011

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#### **From Your Board President**



Thank you to everyone who participated at the congregational meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Your attendance reflects your interest and ongoing commitment to our church. At this meeting, you honored me with your support to be the president of our congregation.

The other leadership roles we elected are:

Myra Symons, President-Elect Judy Knopp, Vice President Alexis Blasenheim, Secretary Ken Beier, Past President Jeffrey Hutt, Trustee Bill Schoolman, Trustee

Board members continuing to serve their terms as Trustees are Tom Karneth and Jerry Waltz. Douglas Paul continues to serve as Treasurer. Ken Beier will serve as the Past President, lending his wealth of experience and insight to church-related discussions.

I am fortunate to be on a Board of enthusiastic UUCFL members who promote the Unitarian Universalist Principles through their personal interaction and through their volunteer efforts on committees and at events.

I want to especially thank Noralee Traylor and Mara Newman for their service to our Board. I know Noralee will keep busy by volunteering at events. Mara Newman will be a true asset to our Endowment Fund Board.

Elected to our Nominating Committee are Christian Herrera, Judy King, and Nicole Shulman. In the fall, the Board will appoint an additional three members to that Committee.

Our newly-elected Endowment Fund Trustees are Vernon Allen, Taylor Mattis, and Mara Newman. They join existing members, Monica Pavlik, Doug Friend, and Kristine Stewart. These two groups of volunteers serve an important role in helping to identify our church's future leaders, and to serve as stewards to the endowment funds.

I look forward to the challenges and successes that lie ahead of my term as president of our congregation. I also look forward to getting to know you better in the coming months.

#### Colette Saucier

#### **Annual Poetry Service Continues!**

Susan Moss is honored to carry on David Fisher's annual tradition of the UUCFL Poetry Service on Sunday, July 10. As before, I'm requesting that members and friends submit a copy of their



favorite poem (could be your own creation or another poet's) for presentation during the service. Please include a brief note telling me how the poem speaks to you and/or how it came into your life. I'll let you know by late-June regarding inclusion in the service and the time for a logistical run-through before the service. Call or e-mail Susan at ozwoman321@aol.com or 954-4478-8637.

#### Susan Moss

#### **Exploring Possibilities**



We will be having an organizational meeting for those interested in participating on the Exploratory Committee during the Building and Grounds workday on June 11. The meeting will be held in the multipurpose room starting at 10AM.

The committee will explore the possibility of purchasing the property adjacent to UUCFL aka The Clark Family property. The first meeting will be organizing the committee, with the goal of gathering information regarding the costs, financing options, negotiations, and any relevant information pertaining to acquiring this property.

#### Steve Lange - Building and Grounds

#### How to Have a Good Death

Having a good death involves a healthy philosophical attitude and appropriate preparation of legal documents concerning

- (1) one's physical care and
- (2) property management and distribution.

Taylor Mattis will address the later topic, legal documents that all young and old adults should have, in an after-service session on Sunday June 5.

Professor Mattis taught property law for more than 20 years, four of them at the University of Miami Law School. She believes you will find the discussion useful and reassuring.



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### Rev. Gail's Space

#### **Past, Present And Future Church**

As you read this issue of the Journey many of you may have already disappeared to northern climes, gone on vacations or are simply taking a little break from your regular activities. The last couple of summers, we have not had much of a drop in our summer church attendance and perhaps the trend will continue this year. However, many other aspects of church life will slow down. We have no adult religious education planned for the next three months. The children's religious program will focus on fun and fellowship and less on learning experiences. Our Labyrinth Cafe concert series will



be on hiatus until the mid-August sing along. I will be taking much of my accumulated study leave and vacation time during late June through early Sept. I will, of course, travel with cell phone and computer so I will always be available for personal emergencies and to keep up on urgent church issues.

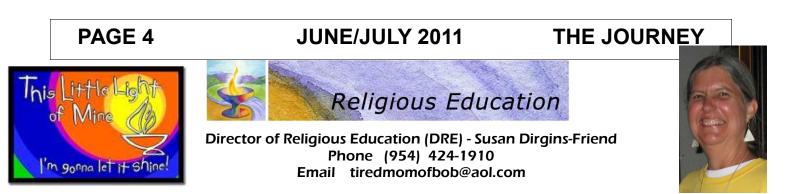
Our wonderfully creative Sunday Services Committee has an interesting array of guest speakers and services crafted by talented and spiritually adept church members scheduled for June 26 through Aug. 7. I invite all of you to enjoy this variety and support brave fellow members who have the courage to take on pulpit duties.

Although most of the services I have offered this year have been well received, I have found it to be a tiring year. As I mentioned during my State of the Church message, we had a lot of losses to death, moving or other transitions in the last year and a half. I really felt the shift from the delightful treat of having Jan Taddeo as our student minister. It was amazing to me how much Jan was able to add to our community in just a few hours a week. Church life always moves in cycles, however, and I am already feeling that the church energy will cycle up for the next program year. I have lots of new ideas for sermons and I am sure my summer adventures will give me even more inspiration. I have some thoughts for adult religious education for next year and several of you have mentioned class ideas you might want to present. We have agreed to get involved with the BOLD Justice interfaith social justice project which I think will be a great new opportunity for us. I want to ask all of you to think about some way that you can bring additional financial support and some possible new members into our community. Can you rent the church for a party, offer to host a service auction social event or bring a work or gym friend to church to share our wonderful community with? All of these are ways you can offer wonderful gifts to our church

I wish you all a wonderful summer. I plan to recharge, refocus and recommitment to my role as your spiritual leader. I am excited about working with Colette Saucier and our newly reconfigured board. I want to thank Ken Beier for his fine service as our President for three years. Mara Newman and Noralee Traylor cycle off our board but not out of church life. Thanks to all who have served us this year on all our committees, in teaching children or adults, running one of our affinity groups or projects like Bingo, Labyrinth Cafe CUUPS, and Sunday coffee hour and lunch, greeting and putting the Journey together. All of you work hard and all of you are appreciated more than you know.

In faith,

Rev. Gail



Well, the church year is over, and we have much to be proud of in Religious Education at UUCFL. We had a wonderful round up at our end of year RE Service on May 22, where the children gave a fun account of what they did this past year, both during Sunday school and at other times. We also heard a review of our year's adult RE offerings. As I say over and over, we get spiritual nourishment not just from sermons or RE lessons, but from every interaction we have at church and with our community, even when we are outside church. We thanked our teachers one and all, and enjoyed a delicious lunch. Now we will head off to enjoy beaches, mountains, resorts, backyards, and yes, occasional forays to church on Sundays.

As I talked about last month, I will be on unpaid leave the last two weeks in June, all of July, and the first two weeks of August. This means that other folks will be offering simple RE coverage during those weeks. Remember, everyone is responsible for our children, so, if you see kids, and no one is there yet to handle them, I hope you might step up and offer a hand. Additionally, if one of our volunteers calls you and says "Hey, I am supposed to cover RE this Sunday, and something has come up, can you cover it for me?" I hope you will jump right in. I will use my time off this summer to enjoy my family, learn how to use Power Church, work on my waistline, practice my bass, attend church services, and hopefully get the RE part of our website more current and maybe, interactive(Hint, hint, Kip!) I also have a pile of books to read, actually two piles. One is non-fiction, mostly various takes on religion, faith, and spirituality. The other pile is mysteries and thrillers.

I know I will get through the one pile with much enthusiasm. The other pile is more imposing and will probably not get reduced as much as I would like. Have a wonderful summer, come to church often, and don't forget to bring back your water for our Ingathering Service in September.

Love and Blessings,

Susan



### Children's Sunday RE Schedule June/July/August

Every Sunday something will be offered for the children. It might be a movie, water play, an activity or art project of some type, cooking, or maybe even a field trip. There will be an attempt made to let folks know in advance what is happening, but, things are always dependant on the ever changing South Florida summer weather.

We will start back with our regular RE classes on August 21.

#### **Cooperative Feeding Information**

We will continue our work at the Cooperative Feeding Program/Life Net4 Families on the first Saturday of each month. Those summer dates will be: Saturday June 4 Saturday July 2 Saturday August 6

We meet at the church at 8AM for carpooling to CFP, or you can meet us there at 8:45. Have fun, enjoy fellowship, do good work.

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#### What's Your Board of Trustees Up To?



This will be my last article as Secretary of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale. I have enjoyed serving you these past several years. Now it is time to move on and make room for others. Alexis Blasenheim will be your new secretary.

She and her laptop are primed and ready to go! She will serve you well! I will continue to see you around the church and pop up in new endeavors.

The first time I entered our church, it didn't take long for me to realize that I was home. This place was cool, made for me, and I loved it! There was such an obvious feeling of acceptance and community. These people were on to something good! I wanted in!

There are so many things gong on in our church with your name on them! Classes, like Building the World We Dream About, singing in the choir, meditation, Friday Night Vespers, Bingo, fundraising events, social action programs, feeding the poor, housing the homeless, BOLD Justice, Pagan rituals, AA meetings, sing-a-longs, our wonderful Labyrinth Café on Saturday nights, movies, concerts, poetry sessions and book clubs, Building and Grounds workdays, humanitarian and "green" efforts on local and global levels, and committees, committees, and committees for you to join, Volunteering and service are vitally important in keeping our church community healthy and vital. Step Up! Don't be Shy! We need you!! You are welcome! Check out our church calendar at UUCFL.org. Find your niche and fill it!

I believe our church represents what is noblest and best in the human condition.

Where can you find such an assortment of interesting people? All races, all ages, gays, lesbians, transgender, so many different paths of spirituality. We explore our own theories of the universe, free of dogma, judgment or guilt. We accept one another in our free and responsible search for truth and meaning. I guarantee you that any Sunday morning on the patio during coffee hour, at any table, you can catch snippets of conversations from happy people coming together in fellowship – a fellowship that offers you feelings of acceptance. Bring a dish to share and take a seat. The rest will happen!!

Metaphysics teaches us that what we give, comes back to us. Such is the nature of the universe. We are part of an interdependent web of all existence. We receive blessings every day and we return them to all living things. It's an act of faith designed for the greater good. You will find it, alive and well, right here!

Your Board of Trustees meets every second Monday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. Come sit in on a meeting! You are always welcome!

**Music Notes** 

May was a busy month in the Music Department. The David Fisher Memorial Music Fund paid for two fine soloists, Geremy Miller, violinist, on May 1 playing a



Haydn "Serenade", the lively "Spanish Dance" by Mozkowski and the difficult "Allegro" by Kreisler. On May 15, we heard Robert Moore playing his beautiful cello in "Allegro Molto from Cello Concerto Opus 85" by Edward Elgar, "Mission Impossible" by Lalo Schifrin which was requested by Rev. Gail, and "Adagio from 6 Studies in English Folksong" by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

This is the last month for choir Sundays until Water Sunday in the fall. May 8 the treble choir sang "On the Beach at Night Alone" by Butler a musical setting of a Walt Whitman poem. Our farewell anthem on May 29 was "Give Me the Splendid Silent Sun", another Eugene Butler setting of a Walt Whitman poem but with a very different "flavor".

During the month of June we plan more soloists beginning with Alfredo Tamburrino playing flute pieces for the entire service on June 5. We will also hear from Vernon Allen one Sunday and possibly Alexis Blasenheim another week. We are very fortunate to have such talented people in our choir.

At the end of May, the choir goes on a summer break until the Choir Retreat the end of August in preparation for Water Sunday. Dot will enjoy a summer rest period in July and August. We should all come back refreshed for our next church year. Bill Cox has offered to play for the weeks that Dot will be on vacation. Thank you in advance, Bill. What would we do without you?

Dot Muise, Director of Music



Judy Knopp, Outgoing Secretary

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#### Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series—Thank Yous

Belated yet no less sincere thanks and gratitude to



Marie Nofsinger and Annie Wenz for their amazing show at the Labyrinth Cafe Saturday night, May 14... our last concert of the season - there were tears. there was laughter and our venue shone with a generosity of spirit that made the evening equally magical and mischievous...

I'm still pinching myself at our past line-up (Dar Williams!)... and I'm also counting my blessings for our dedicated volunteers: Erik, Virginia, Tripp, Paige, Myra, Judy, Kris, Noralee, David, Jeremiah and Laura Sue... and to Reverend Gail and the UUCFL for housing and supporting our series - together we have created and sustained a musical community to be proud of and inspired by... and we are appreciative of you, our loyal audience, for continuing to choose live, original music on the second Saturday of each month!

We ask you now to save the following dates (2011: August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 3 (first Saturday); 2012: January 14, February 11, March 10, April 14, May 12) and join us once again for song and camaraderie - have a great summer and watch your e-mail, check your Facebook and listen to Michael Stock's show for notice of what harmonic treats are in store for 2011-12...:-)

Susan Moss - Coordinator Labyrinth Café Concert Series www.labyrinthcafe.com www.facebook.com/labyrinth.cafe.concerts

Name Tags - If you have not yet received your new name



tag lanyard, please sign up in church on Sundays. You have a choice of designs between a picture of the church and a chalice. Please wear your name tags each Sunday so our veterans and our newer members and visitors recognize each other better.

cUUrious cUUrier – If you are not receiving our weekly email newsletter, the cUUrious cUUrier, visit our website at www.uucfl.org and click on "Weekly Email Broadcast" to sign up



#### You Oughta Be in Pictures

You may have noticed the addition of an electronic picture frame in the lobby over the fountain (my gift to the church). We are looking for smiling faces to fill it. If you have pictures from church events and would like to have them added to the slide show, please email them to me at garyladka@mindspring.com.

We have lots of fun here at UUCFL and this will allow us to relive all of our great memories and show everyone who visits that they can become part of the big picture too. Gary Ladka



#### **UUCFL Picture Phone Directory Coming Soon Smile for the Camera!**



So that we can all recognize each other better, Mark Woodpecker and Myra Symons will be taking pictures of willing members and friends for the new upcoming UUCFL Picture Directory on Sundays.

If anyone wants to dress in a particular way that would be awesome. Also if you have a favorite picture in your collection (shoulders and up) that you would like us to use instead please email to myrafly@yahoo.com.

#### **Coming CUUPS Events**

Saturday June 18th at dark we celebrate Mid-Summer's, sometimes know as Litha. This is a time of faeries and foolishness at the Summer Solstice. There will be



winged creatures and a fire outside. Don't anyone dance too close! On Saturday July 30 we will gather at 7:30pm for Lammas, the harvest celebration. Do wear medieval garb and bring food and beverage to share for both occasions.

Speaking of faeries, have you seen their little walkway and hiding places among the greenery out from our patio, At dusk, you might see butterflies, or the flash of fireflies. At least that's what we think they are.

Thursday evening Study Groups will continue at 7:30 PM, and don't miss our annual Chocolate Ritual on July 28. We are still coming up with other topics for June and July. Is there something you would especially like?

Kip, Resident Pagan

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#### Unitarian Universalist Association Presents General Assembly 2011 June 22-26, Charlotte, North Carolina



It's a little late to be warning you. So this is for those of you with quick reaction times. GA is not to far away. GA is General Assembly which is a gathering of Unitarian Universalist Congregations.

These meeting are very interesting, fun and enlightening. When we had GA in Fort Lauderdale a lot of you got the opportunity to attend right here in our home town. It's amazing to see how we are all alike and all different. Believe it or not UUCFL is one of the more diverse congregations, so that's one way we are different. Hopefully we can lead by example.

Every year at GA there is a Ware lecture. The Ware lecture was started by the donation of Harriet Ware and has been going on for over 60 years. The lectures are distinguished and exciting- at Fort Lauderdale GA we enjoyed Van Jones. Noralee Traylor tells me she got to see Rev. Martin Luther King in Hollywood many years ago. This year's lecturer will be Karen Armstrong. Karen spent the early part of her life as a Catholic Nun. After she left the order she wanted very much to be away from

religion but it wasn't to be. Karen is one of the great modern theologican's of our time. She's written books on Buddhism, Islam, Christianity, Fundamentalism and Atheism. She has several great talks up on the internet and her current project is on compassion which she sees as the common thread between all of these various theologies.

Besides the Ware lecture there are many very important workshops and a protest action to attend. It's enlightening to see many old friends we haven't me yet. For more information about going check out http://www.uua.org/ga/ or speak with Rev. Gail or myself. We are planning on taking the train up and it will be a great fun time all around. Coming to GA will be something you remember forever.

HOWEVER.... If you cannot come, much of GA is presented streaming to your computer from the UUA.org website. So there is absolutely no reason anyone should be missing the Ware lecture this year. I'm afraid I have to insist that you see Karen Armstrong. It's important. She's amazing.

#### Myra C. Symons



A Message from OUA Fiorida District Executive

I write these words on May 21st, the so-called "Judgment Day," according to a self-described prophet, and announced on billboards in Florida and full page advertisements in major papers. The alleged "end of the world" begins today, they say. If you are reading these words, it apparently was not a cataclysmic end.

It's stuff like this that makes me want to join the "Freedom From Religion" foundation. Fear-based, nonsensical, biblical-proof text superstition, alas, still finds a home in religious media. I guess it is remains true, it is hard to underestimate the intelligence or gullibility of the of the foolish.

Unitarian Universalism holds reason as the solid foundation of genuine faith. As Channing once said, "God gave us a mind and will hold us accountable for its use!" While too often we limit truth to the merely analytic or measurable, I am proud to be part of a faith, to quote our Fort Myers congregation's slogan, "where reason and religion meet."

End-times predictions are the fodder of bogus prophets. Real prophets call people back to faithfulness, working to bring holy love to the world by standing on the side of justice. That's what we should proclaim: All are lovable, all are worthy, all can be saved.

Until we live in love, we already are in end-times. When we live in love for all creation, we are in new times.

May hope, love and reason be your guide. *Rev. Kenn* 

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## Southeast Unitarian Universalist Summer Institute

July 17 - 23, 2011 -- Radford, VA





Looking for a great, affordable experience for your family, one with lots of adventures and filled with friends? If so, then come to SUUSI! You'll be welcomed warmly and invited into our community. Together, we'll create a week of conversation, of reflection, of activity, and of family. You'll be challenged intellectually and nurtured spiritually. You can stay up all night dancing or making music, and spend all day communing with nature or exploring your personal growth. We have special programs for youth, teens and young adults, so be sure to bring the whole family.

SUUSI is an intentional community of approximately 1,000 people who gather in July to explore our interconnectedness, learn new ways of seeing our world and each other, delight in the joys of meeting old friends and making new ones, share outdoor adventures, dance, and sing. Find out about various on-line communities, where SUUSI-goers share the experience year round. On the website you can browse the online SUUSI 2011 catalog for more info or request a paper catalog. You can also see the SUUSI promotional DVD on YouTube. Registration is open now! Visit www.suusi.org.

#### Office Notes June/July 2011

Greetings and good wishes from Sandy in the Office.

Take care to stay cool this Summer. Drink plenty of liquids, wear your straw hat, and schedule outside activities at the cooler times of the day, when possible. Do your gardening in the early morning and evening. Protect yourself from too much sun.

Our beautiful UUCFL garden has put on Her Summer cloak. We are home to baby birds and a variety of garden life. Some birds have gone North for a while and they will be most welcome when they return.



Please; Keep your eyes open around the Church. You are valuable. Protect yourself and others. Close and lock doors when you depart. Turn off fans and lights if you are the last to leave. Be sure garbage comes in from the patio. Raccoons spread it around if we forget. If you see anything that might be made safer, or if you just have a question about some aspect of our UUCFL Community; come by the office and feel free to ask questions, make suggestions, or get information. Your thoughts are most welcome.

Thank you. Have a wonderful Summer.

Good wishes. Sandy in the UUCFL office



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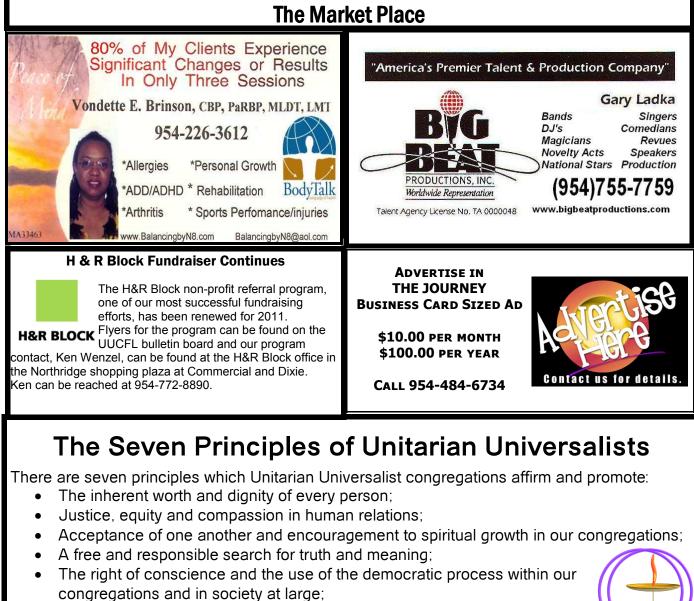
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- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

#### June/July Birthdays

Melanie Taffel 6/2 Vanessa Gilyard 6/5 Myra Symons 6/7 Jean Schroder-Kennedy 6/8 Keats Goodwin 6/10 Frank Shulman 6/13 Susan Kurjiaka 6/17 Betty Highton 6/19 Lori Gold 6/21 Douglas Paul 6/27 Laura Lange 7/3 Richard Johnson 7/4 Kip Barkley 7/5 Virginia Anderson 7/6 Jack Bellick 7/8 Geneva Lange 7/10 Deborah {Debbi} Holt 7/11 Donna Zumstein 7/11 Annette Vafa 7/14 Sean Lange 7/20 Bill Schoolman 7/26 Lyn Kurpiewski 7/28 Jennifer Ladka 7/28 Pat Huey 7/30

#### If you would like to see your birthday announced here and in the cUUrious cUUrier email newsletter, please contact Sandy in 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 or call (954) 792-2328



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# June/July Calendar





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Every Sunday : 11:00 AM- Church Service and Children's Religious Education	Religious Education Events See special calendar on the RE page 4	Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events www.uucfl.org and click "Coming Activities"	June 1 •6:00pm - Bingo (calling at 7)	2 •7:30 pm CUUPS	3	4 •8:00am Cooperative Feeding Program Workday
5 •9:30am-UU Sisterhood •12:45pm - "How to Have a Good Death" (see page 2)	6 •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation	7	8 •6:00pm - Bingo (calling at 7)	9 •7:30 pm CUUPS	10	<b>11</b> •7:30am Building & Grounds Workday •10:00am - Exploring Purchase of Property Adjacent to UUCFL (see page 2)
12	13 •7:00pm - Board Meeting	14	15	16 •7:30 pm CUUPS	17	18 •7:30pm Litha Celebration
19 •9:30am–UU Sisterhood	20 •7:30pm—Sunday Services Committee •7:30pm—Peaceful Meditation	21	<b>22</b> UUA General Assembly (through 6/26—see page 7)	23 •7:30 pm CUUPS	24 •7:00pm Vespers Service •7:30pm - Drumming	25
26	27 •7:00pm Membership Committee	28	29	<b>30</b> •7:30 pm CUUPS	July 1	2 •8:00am Cooperative Feeding Program Workday
<b>3</b> •9:30am-UU Sisterhood	<b>4</b> •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation	5	6	7 •7:30 pm CUUPS	8	9 •7:30am Building & Grounds Workday
10 Journey Submission Deadline	<b>11</b> •7:00pm - Board Meeting	12	13	14 •7:30 pm CUUPS	15	16
<b>17</b> •SUUSI (through 7/23 - see page 8) •9:30am-UU Sisterhood	18 •7:30pm—Peaceful Meditation •7:30pm—Sunday Services Committee	19	20	21 •7:30 pm CUUPS	22 •7:00pm Vespers Service	23
24	25 •7:00pm Membership Committee	26	27	28 •7:30 pm CUUPS (Chocolate Ritual)	29	<b>30</b> •7:30pm - Lammas Celebration
31	•7:30PM Membership Drumming					



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### Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

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June 5 - A Spiritual Journey of Closure- Pilgrimages to sacred sites are common in many religious traditions. Sometimes we make more person al pilgrimages to sites important in our individual journeys. Rev. Gail will discuss pilgrimages of all kinds and share a recent personal journey of closure. Alfredo Tamburrino will bring his flute music to us once more.

June 12 - Sharing the Journey to the World We Dream About- Rev. Gail and several participants will share some of the unexpected learnings gleaned from the sessions of the Building the World We Dream About curriculum that many of us have experienced during the last 4 months. Our own Vernon Allen will honor us with a musical solo.

June 19 - Women My Father Would Have Admired-Rev. Gail will share lessons she has learned from two extraordinary women- Mabel Dodge Luhan and Edith Warner, both with New Mexico connections. In Rev. Gail's mind this sermon is connected to Father's Day because her Dad was always trying to find great female role models for her to emulate. We will also enjoy a solo by Alexis Blasenheim.

June 26 - The Broadway Pantheon - Valerie Turner explores whether Broadway characters are the new archetypes of ancient gods, goddesses and fairy tales. She poses the question: WWED? (What Would Elphaba Do?).



July 3 - Interdependence Day Coffeehouse -

Myra Symons presents this annual service in cafe format. Coffee hour is incorporated into the service and there will be some coffeehouse-style conversation, revolving around thought-provoking topics.

**July 10 - Annual Poetry Service** - Susan Moss is honored to carry on David Fisher's annual tradition of the UUCFL Poetry Service. Members and friends read their favorite poems and share how the poem speaks to them and/or how it came into their life.

July 17 - Presented by the Sunday Services Committee -Please join us for what is sure to be an equally inspirational and entertaining service.

July 24 - Everything I didn't know at 60 I learned in PreSchool - Ronnie Van Sickle recounts the lessons she learned teaching 17 3- and 4-year-olds this year. This services promises to be profound as well as funny.

July 31 - Are you Law Abiding? - Myra Symons will explore law in a UUCFL context. She will talk about what our agreements might be about how we are together. She will talk about semantics and how we can re-frame following our own laws.

**August 7 - This I Believe Part II**- Rev. Gail will be back in town and coordinating another installment of our own version of the popular radio segments and book. We will hear a mixture of belief statements from famous people, average people and some of our own UUCFL philosophers waxing eloquent.