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# SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday, June 23, 11:00 am UUA General Assembly Sunday Worship

This Sunday, our service incorporates the Unitarian Universalist Association's video feed of this year's General Assembly Sunday worship service. Sue Boone serves as worship associate.

#### **Live Stream**

If you're unable to attend, you may watch our live streaming service starting at 10:50 am this Sunday on our YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/user/UUGainesville

Starting at 10:50 am each Sunday, you can use this link to go directly to the live broadcast: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSnOkwxBNGT-H1RLSg6lRfA/live">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSnOkwxBNGT-H1RLSg6lRfA/live</a>

# GOVERNING BOARD MEETING Monday, June 24, 6:30 pm

Our Governing Board holds its monthly meeting every fourth Monday of the month. Its next meeting is on June 24 at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Our Board welcome members of the congregation to attend any part or all of the regular meeting. Members are also welcome to talk briefly at the beginning of each meeting during an open "congregational input" time period (information introduced during the open congregational input time may not be addressed at this month's meeting).

#### Zoom link:

https://uuma.zoom.us/j/94077032344? pwd=WE94Y3hmVFIrcmZla1Fkd0FOTGJ0dz09 Meeting ID: 940 7703 2344 / Passcode: 321615

For more information, contact Leah Cobb Lee, Congregation President, at leahcobblee@gmail.com.

# POTLUCK DINNER & WARE LECTURE STREAMING

Saturday, June 22 — Potluck at 5:30 pm & Lecture at 7:00 pm

The UUFG Board hosts a potluck followed by a livestream viewing of the Ware Lecture in the Sanctuary on Saturday, June 22. The Ware Lecture is an annual talk given at GA by an invited speaker. This year's speaker is Julia Watts Belser (she/her), "a rabbi, scholar, spiritual teacher and a longtime activist for disability and gender justice." You are not required to be registered for GA to watch the Ware Lecture with us in the Sanctuary. It should be a wonderful talk!

Gathering will begin at 5:30 pm, with dinner starting at 6:00, and the WARE Lecture will stream live from 7:00 pm — 8:00 pm.

# Potluck sign up sheet:

 $\frac{https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xLquNLQJ0cm6fGPVEII0nSu5fhQduzWUArYfqSzF0mg/edit?usp=sharing}{}$ 

Be sure to look over the potluck sign up sheet, where you can RSVP, add your number of guests, indicate what dish(es) you plan to bring, and if you are able to assist with set up or break down. Do not feel obligated to bring three things even though there are three columns on the spreadsheet. We just wanted to leave enough space for people who plan to bring multiple things. If you would prefer to contact me by email, I can put your information into the spreadsheet.

We look forward to seeing you there!

~ Leah Cobb Lee, Congregation President

# RECENT BREAKINS AT UUFG & NEW VIDEO SURVEILANCE CAMERAS

Last month, on the night of May 21, our shed out near the fire circle was burglarized, with thieves taking our "zero-turn" Kubota mower and assorted lawn tools. Fortunately, our insurance policy covered a significant portion of our losses.

This past Monday night, a thief or thieves broke into the shed behind the Sanctuary. They made off with a wheelbarrow and an array of tools.

Subsequently, this past Thursday, a team of UUFG members — including Jowe Rowe, Jonathan Coron, David Willkomm and Tom Bullock — installed five Blink cameras around the Fellowship. The Safety Team purchased the cameras thanks to a Foundation grant.

More cameras may follow, and the team plans to install signs warning that our premises are under video surveillance. If you have questions about safety generally at the Fellowship or our video cameras, please contact Jonathan Coron, Safety Team Chair, at coronjonathan@gmail.com

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

[Note from Cam: since I was away on vacation and then out of the office most of last week recovering from a bout with Covid, we have several weeks of birthdays to celebrate!]



Please wish "happy birthday" to Robin Wright, Wendy Vissher, Diana Hagan, Jesse Prentice-Bryant, Pete Turner, Rosemarie Dinklage, Sandra Topp, Doris Hargrave, Abigail Wilson, Pepper Russell, Leo Chase, Richard Ashwick, Janet Davies, Lincoln Russell, Glee Biery, Mary Margaret Andrew, and Raedyn Fletcher!

Do you have a birthday this coming week, but aren't on our list? Please contact the office to let Cam know (uuoffice@uufg.org).

# RECENT ATTENDANCE

On Sunday, June 16, 43 adults attended service in person. Our YouTube channel shows 56 views of the service online.



#### Thanks to Sunday Facilitators! June 23 June 30 Outside Tom Palmer Hazel Hazlett Greeter Welcome Alice Primack Barbara Palmer Table Barbara Palmer Tom Palmer Fover David Willkomm Jowe Rowe Monitor Marilyn Roberts RE Monitor Ben Lee Ushers Debra Neill-Mareci Debra Neill-Mareci Visitors Judith Kendall Judith Kendall Table Alice Primack Mike Hazlett Audio-visual Erin Parish Erin Parish

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SIGN UP ONLINE FOR COFFEE HOUR

Click **HERE** to volunteer yourself, you and a few friends, your family, your committee (you get the idea) to host Coffee Hour. It's fun, easy, and so appreciated!

#### DOESN'T COST A DIME

Reimbursement sheets are provided, and the reimbursement process is easy. Just save your receipts.

Questions? Contact Susan at susan.christy42@gmail.com

## ONLINE GIVING TO UUFG

Use the QR code or click <u>HERE</u> to go to a Linktree page where you can select from three online giving options: Paypal, Venmo and Vanco, our online payment portal also available through our website.



Go directly to our Vanco page via this link: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YXTK/home

## GAZETTE SUBMISSIONS

The Gazette is reserved for UUFG business and concerns submitted to the office (email uuoffice@uufg.org) for editing by noon on Wednesdays. Please put "for Gazette" in your subject line. Your submissions will be posted up to three times, inserted on dates you indicate.

# I AM GRATEFUL TO...



Many thanks to Marilyn Roberts and the UUFG Facilities Team, for hosting this past Sunday's Coffee Hour. The many helpers included Kay Anderson, Joy Avery, Ellen Cecil, George Miljevich, Dan Wolfe, and numerous others who pitched in to help. Bless you all!

~ Susan Christy

Do you have a "gratitude" to share, expressing appreciation for someone working "behind the scenes" to make UUFG a warm and welcoming place? Please send an email to Cam Pierce at uuoffice@uufg.org.

# LITTLE FREE PANTRY



Do you have some non-perishable food to share? You may put items directly into the pantry box, or leave them in the donation box in our Phillips Hall.

Canned foods with "flip tops" for easy opening are especially popular.

Elizabeth Farris is monitoring donations and helping ensure that our pantry box is filled regularly!

Questions? Contact Cam in the office at uuoffice@uufg.org / 352-377-1669.

## HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE



Please talk to an usher for information concerning the Phoenix loop and the Williams headset systems.



KINDLY SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE DURING SERVICE

## **UUFG CALENDAR**

# Sunday, June 23 —

10:00 pm Childcare (Classroom 5— Questions about Childcare or Religious Education at UUFG? Contact James Chase, Director of Lifespan Faith Development, at dre@uufg.org

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall)

3:00 pm Joy of the Lord Outreach Ministries (Sanctuary & Phillips Hall)

**3:00 pm** UUA Closing Session Video Streaming (Common Room)

# Monday, June 24 —

**12:30 pm** Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall & Sanctuary)

**6:30 pm** Governing Board (Zoom — For info, contact Leah Cobb Lee, Congregation President, at leahcobblee@gmail.com)

# Tuesday, June 25 —

8:30 am Morning Meditation (Common Room & Zoom — Questions? Contact Pete Turner at peteturner123@gmail.com or Diane DePuydt at diane.depuydt@gmail.com)

**8:00 pm** Silent Meditation (Zoom — For info, contact Carol Stiles at uuvaldosta@yahoo.com)

# Wednesday, June 26

**6:00 pm** Joy of the Lord Outreach Ministries (Classroom 3)

7:00 pm Young Adult Group (Phillips Social Hall
— For info, join the group chat <u>HERE</u> or contact
Renée Richter at reneeofflorida@gmail.com)

## Thursday, June 27—

7:00 pm Freedom of Choice — Narcotics Anonymous (Common Room — For info, contact Cam Pierce, Congregational Administrator, at admin@uufg.org)

## Friday, June 28—

12:30 pm Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall)

#### Sunday, June 30 —

10:00 am Messy Playdate (Playground — Questions about Childcare or Religious Education at UUFG? Contact James Chase, Director of Lifespan Faith Development, at dre@uufg.org)

10:00 am Childcare (Classroom 5)

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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## MAY FINANCIAL REPORT

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 Income
 \$10,312 (budget: \$26,524)
 \$276,747 (budget: \$291,764)

 Expenses
 \$21,507 (budget: \$31,013)
 \$231,745 (budget: \$343,439)

Net \$11,195 \$45,002

Year-to-Date numbers here reflect our general fund's cumulated income and expenses from July 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

Please note that detailed financial reports are included in the monthly board meeting package that is emailed to the congregation prior to the Governing Board's monthly meeting. If you have questions, please contact Cam Pierce, Congregational Administrator, at uuoffice@uufg.org, or Mary Anthony, Treasurer, at maryanthony13@gmail.com.

## MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Tuesday mornings 8:30 — 9:45am

Join us in the Common Room every Tuesday morning. Please arrive by 8:15 to get settled. We start meditation at 8:30 am. You can use chairs or floor cushions as you prefer. We meditate for 25-30 minutes followed by reading, discussion and a closing recitation.

If you are immunocompromised or otherwise uncomfortable in a group of 5-8 people, you are welcome to wear a mask or join us via Zoom. Please let us know in advance, so we can send you the Zoom link.

For more info or the Zoom link, contact Pete Turner at peteturner123@gmail.com.

## UU VALDOSTA MEDITATION

Tuesdays, 8:00 pm by Zoom

Our UU neighbors to the north have made their ongoing Tuesday evening meditations available to our Fellowship. Join their sessions Zoom at 8:00 pm each Tuesday, and at 8:10 pm they begin 30 minutes of silent meditation.

To join, contact Carol Stiles at uuvaldosta@yahoo.com with "Meditation Tuesday" in the subject line. She will send you the Zoom link.

# UUFG's 2023-24 Board

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