



Ride the Wave

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Let's join together on September 11 to experience an exciting Sunday of ingathering and Fellowship!

**10:00 am Open House to Classrooms —
Find Out About Religious Education for All Ages**

This fall, we begin a new approach to Religious Education at our Fellowship. Come visit our classrooms at 10 am on September 11 to learn more about our plans for adults, children and youth! We expect to offer two classes specifically for adults, and all religious education classes will begin each Sunday at 10:00 am.

11:00 am Annual Ingathering Service

Bring a bottle of water to service to mingle in a shared bowl. The water may be from your travels or serve as a symbol of something important to you.

7:00 pm Emma's Revolution in Concert

We are thrilled to host Emma's Revolution at our Fellowship on Sunday, September 11 at 7:00 pm!

Emma's Revolution is an activist duo comprised of Pat Humphries and Sandy O. For 20 years, their music has reflected a deep commitment to social justice and inspiring hope in our world.

This concert marks the release of their "Rooted" and "Evolution" CD.

Volunteers Needed for Emma's Revolution Concert

We are recruiting a team of people to help with a variety of tasks for this event. For info and/or to volunteer, contact Debra Neill-Mareci at dneillmareci@gmail.com

See page 3 for more information about Emma's Revolution!



**Rev. Christe
Lunsford**

SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday, August 28, 11:00 am

This Sunday, Rev. Christe Lunsford is in our Fellowship's pulpit as we conclude our exploration of this month's Touchstone theme of Ambiguity & Paradox. Their sermon is titled, "Steeplechase: Overcoming Obstacles." Jeff Stevens 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: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSnQkwxBNGT-H1RLSg6IRfA/live>

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER

Know Your Voting Rights

Watch for emails and stop by the Social Justice table outside after Sunday Services for continuing weekly updates on the ins and outs of voting in Florida. Get ready for the November midterms. Learn how to check if you are registered and how to register online, how to unlock the mysteries of Vote By Mail and what the new Florida Voting legislation means for you. Get your "Your Vote Matters" sticker to wear!



Write Letters and Postcards to Encourage Voting

Each Sunday stop by the Social Justice Action Table to learn how you can encourage voting as part of the nationwide program with UUtheVote. You may choose to print letters at home and add a few sentences about why you vote, or write postcards with a prepared script. These motivational messages will be sent to infrequent voters to encourage them to vote in upcoming elections. You may write during the Social Hour following service or take home materials to write and return. UUFG provides postage.

Share the Plate with Florida Rights Restoration Coalition

Sunday, September 18, in 11:00 am Service

On September 18, we "Share the Plate" with Florida Rights Restoration Coalition (FRRC), an organization committed to ending the disenfranchisement of and discrimination against people with convictions. For those with past convictions in Florida, FRRC is working to remove barriers to employment, housing, and opportunities.



For those who want to register to vote, but still owe fines and fees as part of their sentence, FRRC is working to remove those financial barriers. At this Service all non-designated donations will be given to the Florida Rights Restoration Coalition.

Discussion of play Fahrenheit 451, with Bag Lunch.

Saturday, September 24, 12 noon outside UUFG under the Tent

Based on a 1953 dystopian novel by American writer Ray Bradbury, this play presents a future American society where books are outlawed and "firemen" burn any that are found. Go to see the play at the Hippodrome any time between August 31 and September 18. Then bring your bag lunch and join the Discussion moderated by Nancy Parkinson at noon on Saturday, September 24 in the tent area outside the Phillips Social Hall.

EMMA'S REVOLUTION IN CONCERT AT UUFQ Sunday, September 11, 7:00 pm

Currently, tickets are available online at
<https://emmasrevolution.com/tickets-sept-11th-gainesville>

In-Person Tickets:

\$20 Advance
\$25 at the Door
\$15 Student/Low Income

Livestream Tickets:

\$20 General Admission
\$30 Family/Household
\$10 Student/Low Income



EMMA'S
REVOLUTION

CD Release
Concert
In-Person &
Livestreamed

Sun Sept 11th 7pm ET/4pm PT
UU Fellowship of Gainesville
Tix: tinyurl.com/Sept11Gainesville

The poster features a photograph of two individuals, a woman and a man, standing outdoors in front of trees. The woman is on the left, wearing glasses and a black top, holding an acoustic guitar. The man is on the right, wearing glasses and a black shirt, also holding an acoustic guitar. The background is a soft-focus natural setting with sunlight filtering through the leaves. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts, including a large teal title at the top, red text for the event details, and orange text for the date and location at the bottom.

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Monday, August 29, 6:30 pm

Typically our Governing Board meets on the fourth Monday of each month. However, because of scheduling issues, our Board meets this coming Monday, August 29 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. All are welcome to attend.

If you have questions, please contact Martha Soles, Congregation President, at marthajsoles@gmail.com

Zoom link:

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/94077032344?pwd=WE94Y3hmVFJrcmZla1Fkd0FOTGJ0dz09>

Meeting ID: 940 7703 2344

Passcode: 321615



JAMES CHASE ANNOUNCES DRE HOURS

As our new Director of Religious Education, James Chase is hard at work preparing for our fall religious education programming.

If you have questions about religious education for children and youth, please contact them at dre@uufg.org or leave a message with the office at 352-377-1669.

They are also available to meet in person during the following hours at UUFG. ***Please contact James to make an appointment.***

- Tuesdays: 1-3 pm
- Thursdays: 9:30-11:30 and 1-3 pm
- Sundays: 1-2 pm

ONLINE GIVING TO UUFG

You can use our safe, online payment portal to make donations through our website.

Go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YXTK> to set up your account.

RECENT ATTENDANCE

On Sunday, August 21, 41 people attended in person, while our YouTube channel shows 85 views.



UUFG'S CHALICE CHOIR

HAS RESUMED!

Next Rehearsal:

Thursday, September 1, 7:00 pm

Last week we held our first Chalice Choir rehearsal of the season!

Our Choir is looking forward to singing in services on September 4. Would you like to join in the music? All voices welcome. Check out our next rehearsal, this Thursday, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.



For information, contact Derek Nirenberg, UUG's Music Director, at music@uufg.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

For the week of August 28, please wish "happy birthday" to SueEllen Hunter, Paul Avery, Caden Mathews, Pam Brandes, Erin Parish, and Nikki Lee!



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).

MORNING MEDITATION

Tuesdays, 8:30 am

Coming Soon: In Person at UUFG!

UUFG's Mindfulness Meditation group continues to offer meditation sessions every Tuesday from 8:30-9:45 am via Zoom. The half-hour meditation practice is followed by reading and discussion of Buddhist teachings from several traditions.

Coming soon, within the next several weeks, we hope to offer our meditation in a "hybrid" format. Those who wish to join our practice will be invited to come to the Common Room for meditation, while others may still "Zoom in." Please watch the Gazette and Chalice Connections for updates!

UUFG CALENDAR

Sunday, August 28 —

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary & YouTube)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Lawn)

Monday, August 29 —

UUFG Business Office Closed

6:30 pm Governing Board (Zoom — Questions?

Contact Martha Soles, Congregation President at marthajsoles@gmail.com)

7:00 pm Gainesville Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, August 30 —

8:30 am Morning Meditation (Zoom)

6:00 pm Weight Watchers (Sanctuary)

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

Wednesday, August 31 —

2:00 pm Safety Committee EOP Review (Zoom)

Thursday, September 1 —

10:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

7:00 pm Chalice Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday, September 2 —

8:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

12:30 am Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall)

Saturday, September 3 —

8:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

10:00 am Friends of the Courtyard (Outside entrance to Fellowship Hall. For info, contact Pat Caren at pmrc423@gmail.com)

Sunday, September 4 —

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary & YouTube)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Lawn)

Thanks to Sunday Facilitators! August 28

Outside Greeter	Wendy Visscher
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Welcome Table	Cindy Prabst Alice Primack
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Foyer Monitor	David Willkomm
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RE Monitor	Harry Mangle
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Ushers	
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Visitors Table	Catherine Turner Alice Primack
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Audio-visual	Garett Hecker
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FOOD4KIDS BACKPACK PROGRAM COLLECTION

Each Sunday, we collect food to benefit our local Food4Kids Backpack Program, which provides children with non-perishable food that they can bring home to their families. We plan to continue this collection program through the spring.

The next time you attend service at UUFG, please consider bringing a non-perishable food item when you attend. Look for a cart near the entrance to our Sanctuary. For more information, please contact Chris Vulpe at cvulpe@mac.com.

Suggested Items:

- **Breakfast Items** — oatmeal packets, cereals
- **Canned/Boxed Goods** — beans, meats, pasta, soup, veggies
- **Snacks** — raisins, pretzels, fruit cups, pudding, peanut butter and jelly, etc.
- **Drinks** — shelf stable milk, juice boxes/pouches

LITTLE FREE PANTRY



Near our entrance, we have a “free pantry” box, which allows people to drop off or pick up food donations in our neighborhood.

Do you have some non-perishable food to share? The box is located near the entrance to our Fellowship.

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

BLUU — BLACK LIVES OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM



Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism (BLUU) is an organizing collective committed to expanding the power and capacity of Black UUs within the denomination.

BLUU works to provide support, information and resources specifically for Unitarian Universalists who identify as Black or of African descent.

For more, visit <https://www.blacklivesuu.com/>

Sunday, September 11 —

4:00 pm-5:30 pm — BLUU Online Worship. We invite Black Unitarian Universalists and all Black people to join us for a time of remembrance, connection and reflection through song, silence, dancing and sharing! Learn more by joining the Facebook group at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BLUUExplicitlyBlack/>

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.

If you would like to join this meditation group or would like more information, please send a message directly to Carol Stiles at uuvaldosta@yahoo.com with “Meditation Tuesday” in the subject line. She will send you the Zoom link.

UUFUG ON SOCIAL MEDIA

<https://facebook.com/uugainesville/>

<https://facebook.com/Social-Justice-Unitarian-Universalist-Fellowship-of-Gainesville/>

<https://facebook.com/earthkeepersuufg/>

<https://facebook.com/groups/uufgparents/>

<https://facebook.com/groups/UUFGYAG/>
(UUFUG Young Adult Group

[Religious Education Facebook Page](#)

I AM GRATEFUL TO



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

GAZETTE SUBMISSIONS

The Gazette is reserved for UUFUG 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.

