



SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday, January 22, 11 am

Change the Way You Look at Things



The [Rev. Kristina Spaude](#) will lead the service, “Change the Way You Look at Things...” Author, speaker, and spiritual growth facilitator Wayne Dyer used to say, “Change the way you look at things, and the things you look at change.” During the service we’ll explore the stories we make and tell and how a balcony view or another perspective might change our understanding.

Rev. Spaude currently serves as the minister at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tarpon Springs, FL. Mary Anthony serves as worship associate, and James Chase provides our story for all ages. Our Chalice Choir sings under the direction of Derek Nirenberg. Please remember to bring a mask.

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-HIRLSg6IRfA/live>

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 23, 6:30 pm

Our Governing Board will hold its monthly meeting this coming Monday, January 23 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. All members and friends 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

“RIGHT TO CLEAN WATER” AMENDMENT PETITION DRIVE

Our Social Justice Council is gathering signatures for a “Right to Clean Water” amendment to be placed on the Florida ballot in 2024. Please look for our table under the tent this Sunday after the service — drop by for information about the amendment as well as forms to put it on the ballot. We will also table after the service on Sunday, January 29.

~Nancy Parkinson

UUG OFFICE CLOSED

Monday & Tuesday, January 23 & 24

Cam Pierce, our Congregational Administrator, will be out of the office on Monday and Tuesday of this week. If you have Fellowship-related issues that require a quick response, please contact Martha Soles, Congregation President, at marthajsoles@gmail.com.

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“FIRST HOUR” RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR ADULTS ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

10 am in the Common Room

Parenting Beyond Belief Discussion Group

Using reflections from freethinkers in Dale McGowan’s *Parenting Beyond Belief* as a springboard for discussion, we’ll share, explore and celebrate the wonders and the challenges that come with raising caring, independent, and open-minded children without religious indoctrination. This group will meet on second and fourth Sundays at 10 am in the Common Room. Diana Hagan facilitates.

A note from Diana about the book: There are two editions with overlapping content. I have the 2nd (2016) edition on order for myself and I think we’ll want to use that, but the first edition (2007) should be fine if that’s what you have. Second Edition: Amazon AbeBooks

For more information, contact Diana Hagan 352-317-4499 or diana.hagan@gmail.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Please wish “happy birthday” to Jon Kramek, Pixel Jones, Bob Hornberger and Aizlyn Vargas!



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

Seventy-eight people attended our January 15 service or our Sunday Fire Circle “in person,” while 68 people checked out our service online..

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 process is easy. Just save your receipts.

Questions?

Contact Susan at susan.christy42@gmail.com

UUGF KITCHEN STEWARDS FEEDBACK NEEDED!

Recently the Fellowship Council approved a new volunteer job description; the Kitchen Steward. This is a behind the scenes position with the work mostly done between Sundays and events. It will be supportive of all users of the kitchen.

The objectives are:

- Provide a welcoming efficient kitchen environment for all users.
- Ensure the kitchen is stocked with equipment and supplies. (Not including snacks.)
- Promote good environmental practices; minimize single use plastics, compost food waste, recycle packaging and other recyclables.
- Follow food safety recommendations and keep refrigerator contents up to date.
- Maintain order by organizing cabinets and removing excess items. Manage donations.
- Be a resource for Coffee Hour hosts who need to know what foods are already in the kitchen this week.

Hazel Hazlett and I have volunteered to fill this role through June 2023. This past week, we made a small start on the "maintaining order" piece.

Your role as a user of the kitchen is to notify us when we run low on creamer or other essentials, call us with questions, let us know if something is amiss and make suggestions.

We do not schedule use of the kitchen, buy coffee hour snacks, or clean up after it is used. We will usually empty the dishwasher and put away a few items that are misplaced.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we learn how to make this work for all of us.

Marilyn Roberts, 352-284-3819 (text preferred) and Hazel Hazlett, mihain.14@cox.net

GAZETTE SUBMISSIONS

The Gazette is reserved for UUGF 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.

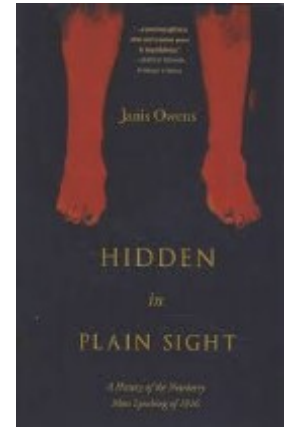
SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMON READ

Conversation with Author Janis Owens

*Saturday, January 28, 1:00 pm, Trinity United Methodist Church,
4000 NW 53rd Ave.*

Author Janis Owens will speak about her book *Hidden in Plain Sight: A History of the Newberry Mass Lynching of 1916*. This book is our Social Justice Common Read for Winter, and is a fast-paced narrative history of a 1916 mass lynching in North Florida, where six members of a tight-knit Black family were killed by a white mob of the “best men” in the district. The lynching garnered brief, nationwide attention, including an investigation by the NAACP and condemnation by W. E. B. Dubois, before it was buried in a vow of silence that endured for nearly a hundred years.

Owens is a native of North Florida, and graduated from the University of Florida. This talk is the keynote address of the Sunshine State Book Festival put on by the Writers Alliance of Gainesville (<https://www.sunshinestatebookfestival.com/>).

**I AM GRATEFUL TO**

Marilyn Roberts and *Hazel Hazlett* for taking on the role of Kitchen Stewards and especially for all those who've stepped up each week to make after service coffee hour a success.

~ Cindy Prabst

Many thanks *Toni Wallace, Mary Bahr, Joy Avery, David Willkomm,* and *Tim Christy* who hosted last Sunday's Coffee Hour. Tim reports there were many others who pitched in — 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 uoffice@uufg.org.

~ HUUGG ~

HUMANIST DINNER CIRCLE

Tuesday, January 24, 6:30 pm

Our longtime Humanist dinner circle has reformed and renamed itself as *Humanist Unitarian Universalist Group of Gainesville* (HUUGG). This open circle meets at local restaurants on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Additionally, a HUUGG discussion group meets during First Hour religious education every first and third Sunday.

For information, contact Kay Anderson (kayanderson59@gmail.com) or Al Tweedy (sylvester0077@gmail.com).

**CALLING ALL
SINGERS!
JOIN UUFG'S
CHALICE CHOIR
IN 2023!**



Calling all trained and untrained singers alike!

Start the new year by joining the Chalice Choir, UUFG's congregational choir! Musicians of all experience are welcome.

Rehearsals are Thursday nights at 7 pm. Contact Music Director Derek Nirenberg at music@uufg.org for more information.

Derek Nirenberg
Music Director, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of
Gainesville

**REV. CHRISTE LUNSFORD ON LEAVE
THRU JANUARY 29**

Rev. Christe is on leave through Sunday, January 29. If you have Fellowship-related issues or pastoral concerns, please contact Cam Pierce, Congregational Administrator, in the UUFG office (uoffice@uufg.org / 352-377-1669) or Martha Soles, Congregation President (marthajsoles@gmail.com / 540-645-9897) for assistance. They are in contact with Rev. Christe and can relay concerns as needed.

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.

Thanks to Sunday Facilitators! January 22	
Outside Greeter	
Welcome Table	
Foyer Monitor	David Willkomm
RE Monitor	Harry Mangle
Ushers	Debra Neill-Mareci
Visitors Table	
Audio-visual	Garrett Hecker



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

UUFG CALENDAR

Sunday, January 22 —

- 10:00 am Parenting and Religion Class (Common Room)
- 10:00 am Dreamwork Class (Classroom 3)
- 10:00 am Religious Education for Children & Youth (Classrooms 5 & 6)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Tent Area)
- 12:00 pm Youth Group (Classroom 7)
- 12:15 pm Safety Subcommittee (Common Room)

Monday, January 23 — UUFG Office Closed

- 6:30 pm Governing Board Meeting (Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall & Sanctuary)

Tuesday, January 24 — UUFG Office Closed

- 8:30 am Morning Meditation (Zoom — for info, contact Diane DePuydt at diane.depuydt@gmail.com or Pete Turner at)
- 6:00 pm Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)
- 6:30 pm HUUGG Dinner (Local restaurant — for info, contact Kay Anderson at kayanderson59@gmail.com or Al Tweedy at sylvester0077@gmail.com)
- 8:00 pm Silent Meditation (Zoom — for info, contact Carol Stiles at uuvaldosta@yahoo.com)

Wednesday, January 25 —

- 7:00 pm Young Adult Group (Phillips Hall — Questions? Contact Catherine Turner at 352-246-8769)

Thursday, January 26 —

- 10:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)
- 7:00 pm Chalice Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 pm Gainesville Handweavers (Phillips Hall)

Friday, January 27 —

- 8:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)
- 12:30 am Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall)

Saturday, January 28 —

- 8:00 am Weight Watchers (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Resonance Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Sunday, January 29 —

- 10:00 am Religious Education for Children & Youth (Classrooms 5 & 6)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Tent Area)
- 12:00 pm Youth Group (Classroom 7)
- 12:15 pm Safety Subcommittee (Common Room)

TOUCHSTONE JOURNAL BY SUBSCRIPTION

Every month, our Fellowship explores a “Touchstone” theme. The latest issue of the *Touchstone Journal* is available via our website at <https://www.uufg.org/learning/adult/>

If you would like to receive mailed copies of the *Touchstone Journal*, please contact Cam Pierce in the office (uuoffice@uufg.org / 352-377-1669).

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.

MORNING MEDITATION *Tuesdays, 8:30 am*

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. For information and the Zoom link, contact Diane DePuydt (diane.depuydt@gmail.com) or Pete Turner (peteturner123@gmail.com).

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

Please talk to an usher for information.



KINDLY SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE

REGISTER NOW FOR UUA'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 2023!

Registration has opened for this coming year’s General Assembly in Pittsburg, PA, running from June 21 - 25, 2023. General Assembly 2023 will be a multiplatform event, with registration options for in-person and/or virtual participation.

In-person registration includes access to events scheduled to take place in Pittsburgh, as well as everything available to virtual registrants. Full virtual registration includes access to the GA app, as well as all on-demand programming, live webinars, and live-streamed events.

New this year! Join our First Timers Caucus. If this will be your first ever in-person GA, use the promo code WELCOME to reduce your Adult in-person registration by \$100. One hundred spots are available. Cannot be combined with other financial support promo codes.

In-person registration is \$400 for adults, and \$300 for high school youth, emerging adults (18-24), and retired and candidate ministers. Full Virtual Registration is \$250. Register now and use the payment plan to pay over time. Financial support is also available. ***In-person registration rates will increase on March 1 and again on May 1.***

For registration information, click [HERE!](#) What is General Assembly? Click [HERE](#) to find out!

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.