



### June 4, 2023 — Volume 20, Issue 20

## SUNDAY SERVICE Sunday, June 4, 11:00 am "Hat Trick"

This Sunday, Rev. Christe Lunsford introduces this month's Touchstone theme of "Ritual." Their sermon title is "Hat Trick." Anna Deyle serves as worship associate, and James Chase provides our story for all ages. 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: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UCSnQkwxBNGT-H1RLSg6lRfA/live</u>

## REV. CHRISTE'S FINAL SERVICE Sunday, June 11, 11 am

Next Sunday, Rev. Christe Lunsford takes the Fellowship's pulpit for the final time before leaving for General Assembly and then for Indiana. Please join us for this fond farewell service! Reception follows service. Stay tuned for more info!

## INTERGENERATIONAL GAME NIGHT Wednesday, June 7, 6:00 pm

Join us for board and card games at our Intergenerational Game Night this Wednesday. Bring snacks, drinks, and your favorite games. We'll try our hands on some old favorites and some new games for adults and children. For more information, contact Jeff Stevens at kuratowa@gmail.com.



## COMMON READ: *THE CLIMATE BOOK* by Greta Thunberg Discussion #1 Sunday, June 4, 3:00 pm

Please join our monthly conversations as we read this important anthology, incorporating work by an all-star cast of writers on climate.

Our first discussion is on Sunday, June 4 at 3:00 pm via Zoom. Mary Bahr facilitates our review of *Part 1: How Climate Works, the Science*, pgs. 1-41.

Zoom link: https://uuma.zoom.us/j/94464305998

Subsequently, we'll have four more discussions held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm.

Alice Gridley will lead the discussion on Section 2 on Sunday, June 25 at 3:00 pm on Zoom.

We are looking for discussion leaders for July, August and September. Check out the book, choose a section (3-5), and let Mary Bahr know which one you will do at kmlisle.mary@gmail.com.

## More about The Climate Book

The Climate Book gathers the wisdom of over 100 experts, including geophysicists, oceanographers, meteorologists, engineers, economists, mathematicians, and indigenous leaders — all providing perspective on how we can combat climate disaster.

The book is available from local booksellers in hardback for \$30, on order from Amazon for \$24 (used copies available for less), as an e-book for \$15.99, and on Audible for \$30 or one credit.

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## PICKLEBALL FOR ALL SUMMER EDITION Wednesdays, starting June 7, 6:00 pm

Pickleball resumes on our parking lot this coming Wednesday, June 7 at 6 pm. Play for an hour and then linger for some refreshments and conversation.

Weather permitting, Pickleball is on our calendar every Wednesday evening through July. We have three nets, 10 paddles and balls, so if you don't have equipment, we have you covered!

Given Florida's summer weather pattern, consider subscribing to our pickleball@uufg.org listserv for updates. Kirsten Flamand sends out cancellations messages about 1 hour ahead in case of bad weather.

For info, contact Kirsten at kirstenflamand@gmail.com

## BUILDINGS & GROUNDS WORK MORNING Saturday, June 10, 9:00 am

Summer is approaching, and landscaping and lawn care needs are accelerating! Come help make our Fellowship "sparkle" this coming Saturday morning, starting at 9 am. Drop by as your schedule allows for a bit of healthy work and camaraderie. Questions? Contact Marilyn Roberts, Facilities Chair, at mrobertsrn@gmail.com

Thanks to Sunday Facilitators! June 4 June 11		
Outside Greeter	Tom Palmer	
Welcome Table	Peggy Maloney Barbara Palmer	
Foyer Monitor	Joseph Rowe	
<b>RE Monitor</b>	Peggy Maloney	
Ushers	Debra Neill-Mareci	Debra Neill-Mareci
Visitors Table	Hazel Hazlett Mike Hazlett	
Audio-visual	Garrett Hecker	Garrett Hecker

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Please wish "happy birthday" to Ben Lee, Vic Harrell, Ron Prentice-Bryant, Wray McCalester and Wendy Visscher!



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).

## "RELIGION FOR BREAKFAST" Starts Sunday, June 4, 10:00 am

Kate Anderson sends word: "*Religion for Breakfast* is a YouTube channel. Join me on Sunday in the Common Room (masks strongly encouraged) to view the approximately 10 minute video, "The rise of atheist churches" followed by a conversation about the content (or whatever comes up).

"Feel free to bring your coffee, donuts or favorite breakfast sandwich. We will continue to meet on the first and third Sundays, unless we change our minds. The meeting will end at 10:45 to allow transition time to the service at 11."

## **RECENT ATTENDANCE**

Sixty-six people attended our May 28 Sunday service, while our online video recording shows 51 views.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SIGN UP ONLINE FOR COFFEE HOUR

Click <u>HERE</u> 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

## I AM GRATEFUL TO



Many thanks to *Friends of the Courtyard*, for hosting this past Sunday's UUFG Coffee Hour. Kudos to this group for volunteering to host our after church social hour every other month.

FOTC rocks!

~ Susan Christe

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.



## KINDLY SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE

## HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE



Please talk to an usher for information.

## 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 nonperishable 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.

# UUFG CALENDAR

Sunday, June 4 — 11:00 am Messy Sunday (Playground — for info, contact James Chase at dre@uufg.org)

12:00 pm Children & Youth Religious Education Committee (Classroom 3)

**11:00 am** Worship Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall)

**12:00 pm** Youth Group (Classroom 7)

**3:00 pm** Social Justice Common Read (Zoom)

### Monday, June 5 —

**3:00 pm** Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall & Sanctuary)

### Tuesday, June 6 —

8:30 am Morning Meditation (Zoom — for info, contact Diane DePuydt at diane.depuydt@gmail.com or Pete Turner at peteturner123@gmail.com)

2:00 pm Safety Committee (Common Room)

**6:30 pm** Worship Team (Zoom — for info, contact Liz Stewart, Worship Team chair, at marmstew002@gmail.com)

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

### Wednesday, June 7 —

11:30 pm Intergenerational Game Night (Phillips Hall)6:00 pm Pickleball for All (Parking Lot)

### Thursday, June 8 —

**11:00 am** UUFG Men's Lunch Group (Local restaurant — contact Cam at uuoffice@uufg.org for info)

### Friday, June 9 —

12:30 am Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall)

Saturday, June 10 — 9:00 am Buildings & Grounds Work Morning

### Sunday, June 11 —

10:00 am Religion for Breakfast Class (Common Room for info, contact Kay Anderson at kayanderson59@gmail.com

**11:00 am** Worship Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall)

12:00 pm Youth Group (Classroom 7)

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Go to https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YXTK/home

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### MORNING MEDITATION Tuesdays, 8:30 am

UUFG's Mindfulness Meditation group continues offers 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).

## 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.

## 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 brining a nonperishable 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



## 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.

We include information about BLUU events to support those our members who also participate in BLUU. While most BLUU's events are private, occasionally they will open an event to all UUs.

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

Sunday, June 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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/BLUUExplicitlyBlack/</u>