

The Gazette



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SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday,
November 27, 11:00 am
Covenant,
Repair, Repeat, Relish

This Sunday we welcome UUFG member Evan Waldt to our Fellowship's pulpit as he explores covenanting from a Unitarian Universalist perspective



Evan Waldt

Guest at Your Table

Also, every year, our Fellowship supports the work of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee via "Guest at Your Table" collection boxes that our members take home. But what work exactly does the UU Service Committee do? This Sunday, learn more about this important organization and its commitment to realizing UU values in the world. Liz Stewart 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:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSnQkwxBNGT-HIRLSg6IRfA/live>

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GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 28, 6:30 pm

Our Governing Board will hold its monthly meeting this coming Monday, November 28 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?](https://uuma.zoom.us/j/94077032344?pwd=WE94Y3hmVFJrcmZla1Fkd0FOTGJ0dz09)

[pwd=WE94Y3hmVFJrcmZla1Fkd0FOTGJ0dz09](https://uuma.zoom.us/j/94077032344?pwd=WE94Y3hmVFJrcmZla1Fkd0FOTGJ0dz09)

Meeting ID: 940 7703 2344

Passcode: 321615



COOKIE CAPER!

Sunday, December 4, 12:00 pm

Bring your sweet tooth and your cash to our annual fundraiser for the Social Justice work of the Congregation! We will have plates or boxes of a dozen assorted cookies for sale to take home for the holidays, and you may also buy one or two cookies to enjoy during Coffee Hour.

Calling all cookie bakers: please let Nancy Parkinson (njp116@gmail.com) know that you will help by baking cookies and bringing them to the Phillips Hall on Saturday, December 3, between 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm.

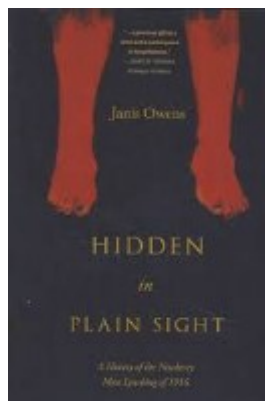
I AM GRATEFUL TO



Thanks to *Peter Marino, Mary Bahr, Martha Mayorga, Dianna Ott* and *Rev Lunsford* for tabling at the Transgender Day of Remembrance ceremony downtown on November 20. It was a peaceful and very moving ceremony.

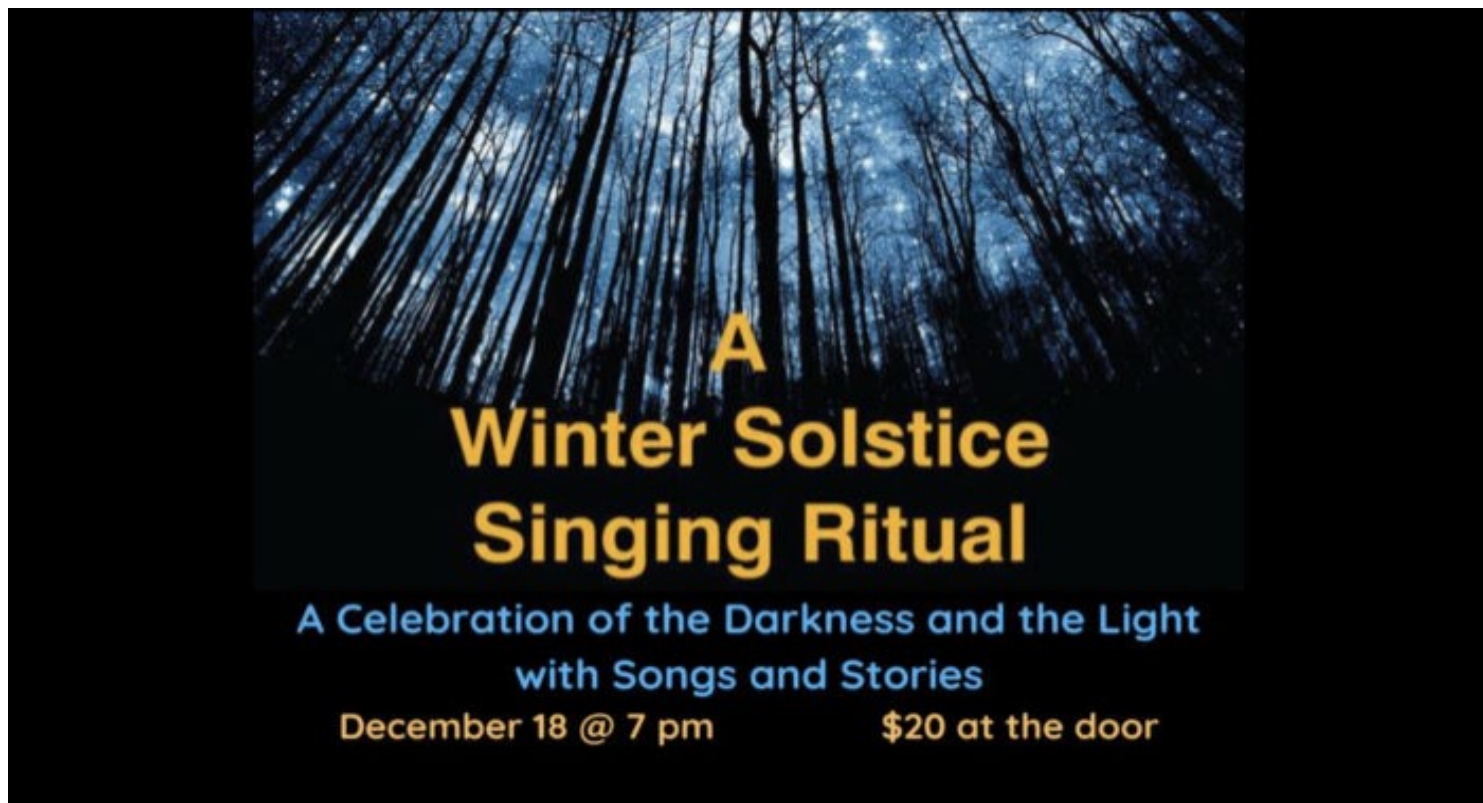
~ Alice Primack

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.



SOCIAL JUSTICE
COMMON READ

Our Social Justice Common Read for Winter is *Hidden In Plain Sight A History of the Newberry Mass Lynching of 1916*, by Janis Owens. Get your copy from Amazon or bookstores. Then plan to attend a live reading by the local author in January.



RESONANCE PERFORMS
A WINTER SOLSTICE SINGING RITUAL
Sunday, December 18, 7:00 pm

Don't miss this special celebration of Winter Solstice — a Celebration of the Darkness and the Light with Songs and Stories, featuring the a capella music of Resonance. We ask for a \$20 donation at the door, but no one will be turned away.

UUGF CALENDAR

Sunday, November 27 —

10:00 am Religious Education (Classrooms & Common Room)

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary & YouTube)

12:00 pm Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Tent area)

12:00 pm Youth Group (Classroom 7)

Monday, November 28 —

6:30 pm Governing Board Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 pm Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall & Sanctuary)

Tuesday, November 29 —

8:30 am Morning Meditation (Zoom)

6:00 pm Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

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

Wednesday, November 30 —

12:00 pm Alachua County Faith Leaders (Phillips Hall)

2:00 pm Sanctuary Decoration)

Thursday, December 1 —

10:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

7:00 pm Chalice Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday, December 2 —

8:00 am Weight Watchers (Phillips Hall)

12:30 am Gainesville Bridge Club (Phillips Hall)

Saturday, December 3 —

8:00 am Weight Watchers (Sanctuary)

10:00 am Friends of the Courtyard (Common Room)

2:00 pm Cookie Caper Drop Off (Phillips Hall)

Sunday, December 4 —

10:00 am Religious Education (Classrooms & Common Room)

11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary & YouTube)

12:00 pm Cookie Caper & Coffee Hour (Phillips Hall & Tent area)

12:00 pm Youth Group (Classroom 7)

12:00 pm CYREC (Common Room)

GAZETTE SUBMISSIONS

The Gazette is reserved for UUGF business and concerns submitted to the office (email uoffice@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.

CAPELLA NOVA

Saturday, December 10, 4:00 pm

The Messiah Sing-Along

Stand alongside members of Capella Nova and be part of a Messiah in which YOU are the choir!

Joshua L. Mazur conducts the choir, instrumentalists and guest soloists.

This event in our Fellowship's Sanctuary is free and open to the public, with a suggested donation of \$10 greatly appreciated.

For more information, visit <https://capellanova.org/>



WINTER SOLSTICE CONCERT

Sunday, December 17, 7:00 pm

The Annual Vets for Peace Winter Solstice Concert will be held at UUGF. Our Social Justice Council co-sponsors this event put on by Vets for Peace. Tickets will be available from VFP members and from the Theater of Memory.

You may also learn more about the program and purchase tickets online via the Vets for Peace website: <https://vfpainesville.org/>

RECENT ATTENDANCE

For Sunday, November 20, 84 people attended in person, while our YouTube channel shows 40 views.

ONLINE GIVING TO UUGF

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Please wish “happy birthday” to Alice Gridley, Cindy Prabst, Paul Hargrave, Judy Bruce-Mangle, Art Newman, Lynne Capehart and Jay Whitehead!



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).



HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

Please talk to an usher for information.

KINDLY SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE



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, December 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/>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SIGN UP ONLINE FOR COFFEE HOUR

As we make our way together to whatever the New Normal will be, building community is an important goal for UUFG. Nothing builds community better than sharing food, drink and conversation. That sounds like Coffee Hour!

SignUpGenius is your new your portal to help make Coffee Hour Happen.

Please use SignUpGenius to choose a Sunday to help out with Coffee Hour. It's easy, it's fun, and it doesn't cost a dime.

To help with Coffee Hour, click [HERE!](#)

EASY

- Use SignUpGenius to conveniently pick your Sunday. Unsure how to do this? No worries - contact me at susan.christy42@gmail.com
- Easy to follow Coffee Hour instructions will be emailed to you, which make the task a piece of cake; same instructions are posted in the kitchen
- No need to cook or bake; this is NOT a competition, and Martha Stewart will NOT arrive.
- Many Sundays there is already plenty of food on hand in the kitchen.
- Some Sunday, folks arrive with goodies from home; what a bonus!

FUN

- Ever notice how loud the kitchen crew can be? That's because they are having a good time. Team up with
- Someone you miss,
- Someone you want to know better,
- Your grandchildren (who may need volunteer hours...),
- Your committee,
- Your Touchstones group,
- Your significant other,
- Any combination will make the task a treat.

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

[Inspired? Intrigued? Hungry? Sign UP!](#)

~ Susan Christy

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. 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 uualdosta@yahoo.com with "Meditation Tuesday" in the subject line. She will send you the Zoom link

UUFG 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/>
(UUFG Young Adult Group)

[Religious Education Facebook Page](#)

Food4Kids
nourishing our future

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 uoffice@uufg.org / 352-377-1669.

