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## Coffee & Conversation 9-10am, Sunday Service 10-11am

### Nov. 3 "Mindfulness" UUCP Member and Past President, Nancy Hagman

Mindfulness: What is it, really? At this time, the use of Mindfulness seems to be more common and has become a "buzz word" in everyday language. This service will explore the emergence of this concept. In addition, there will be an introduction to three or four techniques and the importance of mindfulness for our wellbeing.

*The OWL 4-6 grade program will conclude today with a recognition of the graduates in the service. Later the participants will have a small celebration with their families. From this afternoon on, the OWL materials will be up for public viewing in the teen room, and the exhibition will remain up for a week.*

### Nov. 10 "Transgender Day of Remembrance"

Rev. Alice Syltie

On this Sunday we will recognize Transgender Day of Remembrance (#TDOR), an annual observance honoring the memory of those whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence. The day was founded in 1999 and has slowly evolved into an international day of action, observed every November 20th.

### Nov. 17 "Paying Attention to Nature: UUCP Creators Celebrate Creation," with writer Dolly Berthelot and friends

We all honor our natural world by noticing, enjoying, and savoring its myriad beauties and quirks. Writers and artists often reflect this tendency—which can be a spiritual practice—in their arts, from the seemingly silly to the sublime, the playful to the profound, and sometimes all mixed. Our emphasis today is poetry and prose by several long-term members: Margaret McLarin, Charlotte Crane, Pam Levitt and Dolly Berthelot. In lieu of a sermon, Dolly will share her growing fascination with clouds thru a poem, a slide show of her recent iPhone photos, and her latest fantasy story, "Cherubs Playing in the Clouds."

### Nov. 24 "Celebrating Diversity, Sharing Bread" Rev. Alice Syltie

Come celebrate diversity in our annual Bread Sharing Ceremony, or Bread Communion. You are invited to bring bread that is significant to your ethnic, religious, cultural or family heritage, and share with us the story of the bread. Through story, song, personal sharing and sampling one another's bread, we have the opportunity to learn a little more about one another, create lasting memories, and honor the diversity reflected in our congregation. *This is a a Service for All Ages. Nursery will be provided for our very youngest.*

**On this Sunday we will also kick off our Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Guest At Your Table program and distribute the Guest At Your Table**



## From Our Minister

Our theme for November is Attention. And the suggested question to ask ourselves is “What does it mean to be a people of Attention?” As Unitarian Universalists, we seem to pay attention to a lot. A constant challenge in ministry is to figure out where to focus attention, when one feels called to respond in so many directions. I imagine many of you find that to be the case in your everyday lives, as well.

It occurred to me that over the last year or so, I’ve been asking myself to what am I paying attention? What are the things that bring me joy? When do I notice that I feel most alive and engaged? The first answer, with my family, especially my grandchildren, comes quickly. Now that I know how fast children grow and change, I am intent on being present to enjoy as many of the special moments as possible. Another place I feel alive and engaged is when we are working together in our shared ministry at UUCP.

You may remember the famous line from Alice Walker’s *The Color Purple*, “I think it pisses God off if you walk by the color purple in a field somewhere and don’t notice it.” UU minister, Rev. Sean Dennison, writes, “The ability to see beauty is the beginning of our moral sensibility. What we believe is beautiful we will not wantonly destroy.”

As we look around at destructive forces in our world today, it’s hard not to feel pulled in many directions. As we begin to focus on our mission, and how and what we do to connect and contribute to something greater than ourselves, I am reminded of the words of Howard Thurman. “Don’t ask yourself what the world needs, ask yourself what makes you come alive, and then go and do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.”

I hope to see us all pay attention to what makes us come alive as a congregation committed to Celebrating Diversity, Striving for Justice and Inspiring Love. I’m convinced the world needs us.

In Love and Hope,

Rev. Alice



## Welcome New Members!

Again, welcome to the our church community. We’re sure you’ll find our warm and welcoming congregation to be a good fit for you. Although you’ve been given a folder full of lots of information, a few of the items deserve a little further explanation.

- The Personal Info form - As you may mention your interests and talents, we’ll work on making introductions to folks at the church that you’d likely have shared interests with. You can give Laurie Winterberg the form or ask someone to put it into the Membership mail slot in the office area.

- Simple Church - We have web-based membership software for members called "Simple Church." Laurie has created your basic profile and would encourage you to explore it. Simple Church (SC) is password protected and accessing your info is pretty straightforward. On the church website, under "Members" there is info about logging into SC and other features. It’s a good way for you to see the church activities calendar, connect to other members and see your history of contributions. There is a several page FAQ document about Simple Church in the info packet.

**Laurie will be available after service for if you want her to demo any of its features. There’s a Simple Church app for your smart phone that’s pretty handy as well, for making phone calls, sending txt messages, getting driving directions and viewing the church calendar.** Like Facebook, Simple Church allows a person to upload a **photo** of themselves (which is really helpful in getting to know people). You can upload your own OR **Laura Keith King**, who is a gifted artist and photographer, can take your photo and upload it to your profile. Just catch her any Sunday when you’re at church. If you’re a Facebook user, there is a one-page listing in your packet of some of the more popular UU pages.

- **UU World Magazine** - Members receive a subscription to this UU Magazine. There was a sample edition in your packet. **Terra** in the church office will get your subscription started.

- **Charlotte Crane**, who is a retired editor from the Pensacola News Journal, will be contacting you as she **writes up bios of new members** for publication in the monthly newsletter "The LIGHT."

- General information and guidance about pledging. Our Treasurer - **Erin Renfro** or Finance Co-Chairs - **Marylee Donnelly** or **myself** can answer your questions about all things money related.



## FROM YOUR BOARD

### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



As we move into the month of November, halfway between the Autumn Equinox and the Winter Solstice, this is a traditional time of feasting and celebrating the end of the harvest time. At this time, we may take stock of the occurrences of the summer and prepare for the transition into the darker, more reflective part of the year.

According to a blog published by The Druid's Garden, "The yearly cycle of the sun encourages us to understand that there are times of scarcity and abundance in our natural world, that there are times of high energy and growth and times of death and quietude, and that everything has a season."

Here at UUCP, we have just come through a very strenuous season, the impacts of which will be felt deeply for years to come. For one, we said goodbye to several of our beloved congregants this summer. Our caring community comes together in grief while also offering comfort to those most affected by the losses.

Amidst these losses, the activity rolled on with a particularly frenetic October. A yard sale, pancake breakfast with guests from the Islamic Center, series of six House Meetings to focus on social problems, webinar on the possibilities small congregations are capable of, two workshops on the purpose and future of our church, and a Ministry Teams Roundtable all took place in October.

Fewer activities are planned in November. Those that are planned focus on sharing our abundance, whether abundance of resources, skill, time, or love. The annual auction and concert with Bobby van Deusen on November 3 is an example of our members and friends turning their time, talents, and treasures into funds to support the work of UUCP. On November 4, we will join with the other congregations of JUST Pensacola to commit to work together for a just resolution of a mutually selected community problem.

We also begin this month to gather financial contributions for a holiday gift for our church staff and to recognize the Guests at Your Table as families drop coins and bills into collection boxes for the worldwide humanitarian work of UU Service Committee. In both cases, donations of all sizes add to the combined gifts and are appreciated.

In November, we gather together for a slower, darker, quieter season. The transition is needed whether or not we realize.

Until next time,

Lauren Anzaldo  
Board President



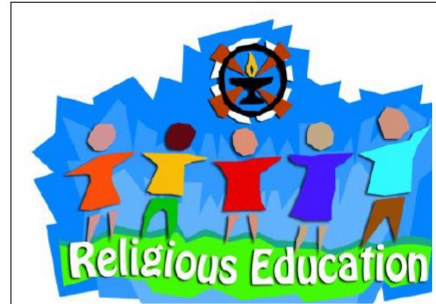


# One Room Sunday School

## 2019-2020

# November

Greetings,  
 Another month passed, another month to look forward to. A month of family traditions new and old. And we will be making a new tradition here with our UUCP family. In November we will have a Bread Communion on November 24 to celebrate a day of "Thanks Giving." It will be an opportunity for our children to help in the service by passing out bread brought to us from many family traditions.



- On Class Days the students will start in the service to be sung out to class.
- On Children's Chapel day the students will start in the Chapel.
- Nursery drop off starts at 9:45

### November Schedule for Sunday School

- 11/3: Classes & Youth meet  
         CRE team meeting\*
  - 11/10: Multi-Age Activity & Youth meet
  - 11/17: Children's Chapel
  - 11/24: Service for All Ages
- \* All Are welcome to join in on the CRE Team meeting. Childcare is provided.**



### New Age Groupings

I know, there is always something new, right? To better serve our population we are now breaking the children out into groups as follows:  
 Birth - Kindergarten children are in the Nursery  
 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades are in the ORSS (One Room Sunday School) in the Rainforest Room.  
 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades are in the Youth Pathfinders' room.

### Children's Religious Education (CRE) Advisory Team

Coordinator: Sarah Stubbs (850-437-5979) Team Leader: Open  
[mssarahstubbs@gmail.com](mailto:mssarahstubbs@gmail.com)  
 Team Members: Linda Cobb, Penny Featherstone, Tamara Grimes, Emma Mulvaney and Kate Wolverton.  
 Feel free to contact any member with comments or suggestions!



## Our Caring Community

*As a congregation, we celebrate each other's joys and do our best to lighten the load of each other's sorrows.*

Nancy Hagman was among members of a core group of some dozen political agitators, mainly women, who in the past two years gathered frequently, attended County Commission meetings regularly, circulated petitions and urged participation – efforts then rewarded by a win in September with Escambia County Commission's approval of a preservation ordinance ruling that building units at Pensacola Beach must continue to be available only for lease, not for sale. The group, Save Pensacola Beach, was organized by community activist Dianne Krumel in 2017, in response to a bill proposed by Congressman Matt Gaetz which would turn leases over to fee-simple purchase. Pensacola Beach was deeded to Escambia County by the federal government after World War II with the rule that its land could only be leased, not owned.

Mae O'Shea suffered a stroke on October's fourth Thursday, unfortunately racking up a second recent serious health mishap. A few weeks previous, she fell in her garage as she emerged from her car, breaking two ribs. Both painful incidents involved trips to West Florida Hospital; she stayed for three days following the stroke. Mae is at home now, but not able yet to predict when she will once again be out and about.

Be assured, however, that Mae will cope if anyone can. Consider her reaction as she lay on the garage floor in the first recent accident, unable to rouse her son, Tim, a musician, who was sound asleep following a performance the night before: "I had my purse in my hand and my phone was in there. So I called 911 and the ambulance came." She was soon back in church on a recent Sunday – (and with a classy new hairdo).

As for the stroke, Mae managed to prevail in one regard, a dietetic preference. "The hospital takes away salt from all stroke patients, and I love salt – and my body needs it." What to do? "I had Tim bring me a salt shaker."

Cards and calls would be welcome, says Mae.

Bill Caplinger had trigger finger surgery on Friday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, at Andrews Institute at 12<sup>th</sup> and Airport. The surgery, on his right hand palm, is related to tendons controlling joints on the middle finger.

Bill also has had treatment for problems in his left hand (his writing hand) – "a very painful episode causing inability to even hold a pen, much less sign my name for about nine days," he reports. Although that treatment was pretty successful, he's still wearing a brace.

No cards or attention needed, says Bill, who's just wanting to let folks know he's on the mend, even if he shows up with braces or sling – "not to worry."

Tori Vinson, 15, who joined UUCP with her parents in the New Member ceremony Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, is co-director and cast member of "The Trail to Oregon," an interactive musical being presented Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at N.B. Cook auditorium. Of six main characters, Tori is the daughter, performing dialogue and songs. Admission: \$10. Tori is enrolled in the IB program at Pensacola High School. She won an award for poetry in the 2017 student contest of West Florida Literary Federation.

Bob and Lesley Ortiz are back from their annual hot-Florida summer getaway, headquartered at a family abode in north Waterboro, Me., -- and here just in time for his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration on Oct. 18. This year's May-through-September stay in north country was also travel-highlighted. They took a second Viking River cruise in July, a 12-day trip from Paris to Zurich, and in September they joined a one-week Roads Scholar national park tour encompassing Zion State Park, Bryce Canyon and the north rim of the Grand Canyon. Welcome home!

*Charlotte Crane*

*Please send news of family events, accomplishments and concerns to UUCP's newsletter, The Light, for publication in the newly launched Member News feature. Send to Charlotte Crane, [charlotte@charcrane.net](mailto:charlotte@charcrane.net), or to Terra Shute at the UUCP office, [uucp@bellsouth.net](mailto:uucp@bellsouth.net).*

### **ATTENTION: NEW (or Returning) MEMBERS!**

***We're so glad you've become a Member of Our Beloved Community. If you haven't had a Get-to-Know-You Biography published yet and would like to, please contact Charlotte Crane or the Church Office. We'd love to feature you!***



# THANKS FOR WONDERFUL SUPPORT OF FALL YARD SALE!!

**Thanks to Everyone for another Very Successful Yard Sale!!! Thanks for the wonderful donations--yoUU** again provided many nice items. And again, you responded by **helping set up the tables and moving the “stuff”** to the lobby after church on **Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**. We especially appreciate the guys getting the **heavy furniture items** donated by **Debra DuBose** and **Pam Ubben** from the pod. We had a great response in terms of helpers—20 members and friends on Sunday! I am sure I missed making note of some of the names as everyone moved so quickly, and I truly apologize for any omissions, but we **THANK YOU SO MUCH!** It made the work during the week so much easier. And then we asked for **volunteers to help with set up, organizing and pricing items, and to work the sale—12** people showed up Monday which got us off to a great start, **15** came back on Tuesday, and **4** on Wednesday when we worked about half a day to finish all the pricing. On Friday (our busiest day), we had **13** volunteers and **16** came on Saturday, especially for the clean-up! for a total of **30** different **people volunteering**—absolutely wonderful participation!!! Special thanks are expressed to **Michael Newcomb** and **Penny Featherstone** who did pick-up of heavy items for the sale. And a very special “thank you” to **Hannelore Musial** who allowed us to store some early donations in her shed until our sale. We were the “best fed” yard sale workers thanks to “chef” **Jack Comstock** who prepared delicious homemade soup and delivered it personally. We had some yard sale donations which could not be sold, and we appreciate the members who took some items to their homes to dispose of in their garbage.

We could not have succeeded without **ALL** the dedicated helpers and donations. These “priceless” volunteers were **Georgianna Bryant, Kim Bryant, Linda Cobb, Holly Collins, Jack Comstock, Eva Cox, Gerry Donnelly, Marylee Donnelly, Penny Featherstone, Barbara Goggins, Tamara Grimes, Nancy Hagman, Lisa Hudson, Vicki Johnson** and son **Coty, Kaye Kemnitz, Laura Keith King, Carol Michalski, Emma Mulvaney, Michael Newcomb, Arnie Ondis, Audrey Preston, Erin Renfroe, Lauren Satterwhite, Scott Satterwhite, Jean Siebenaler, Terra Shute, Rev. Alice Syltie, Laurie Winterberg, Jack Wolverton, and Kate Wolverton**. And **SUPER THANKS** to the following volunteers who helped EVERYDAY—**Holly Collins, Barbara Goggins, Michael Newcomb, Erin Renfroe** and me. A **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to ALL these **WONDERFUL, DEDICATED** Volunteers!!!!

Thanks also to persons who **loaned us folding tables**—these helped us better organize the items, so they would sell better. Thanks to **Erin Renfroe** for her **placement of internet ads**, to Office Assistant **Terra Shute** for **internal advertisement** of the sale, to **Charlie Steed** for putting it on church website, to **Pam Levitt** and **Audrey Preston** for putting it on the church’s Facebook page, to **Arnie Ondis** who placed our yellow yard sale signs in front of the church on Highway 29 and Palafox, and to **Barbara Goggins** and **Georgianna Bryant** who had both a paid ad and multiple community services notices in the *Pensacola News Journal*. Thanks also to all the **UU Shoppers** who shopped the sale. Not only do our yard sales help us recycle and de-clutter, they most certainly **help low income shoppers** with budget shopping. **Charities** also benefited from our sale—books and other media were donated to the Open Books for Prisoners and the Milton Public Library, linens were donated to local animal shelters, home care items were donated to the Council on Aging, and other unsold items were donated to the Teen Challenge.

It definitely “takes a **VILLAGE!!**” Despite the still-in-progress dangerous construction on Highway 29, I am delighted to report an initial profit of **\$2186.03!!!** However, “super-evil eye” **Barbara Goggins** sold donated **gold jewelry** (usually damaged or broken items) to a local jeweler for \$290.40 making our **Total Profit \$2476.40**. Additionally, we anticipate this total may increase slightly as we have a couple of items we are trying to sell online. **THANKS SO MUCH FOR EVERYONE’S SUPPORT, WHETHER YOU DONATED ITEMS OR VOLUNTEERED YOUR TIME!!!** *Georgianna Bryant, Yard Sale Coord.*

## A Year of Learning and Connection for Smaller Congregations



The second in the webinar series about maximizing our potential as a smaller congregation will air on November 13. The announcement for the series states, “We know that small congregations are sharing the Love and Grace of Unitarian Universalism with their people and their communities every day. We also know that small churches can be faced with big challenges. Together we can help small congregations reach toward their greatest potential.” The series is presented by the Regional UUA Congregational Life staff.

The webinars are broadcast live in the sanctuary when they are presented (see dates below). Members are invited to join in the live event or to view the recorded version later from home. The link to the first webinar is now available on the UUCP website ([uupensacola.org](http://uupensacola.org)) and Facebook page.

An in-person opportunity to meet is scheduled on Saturday, March 14, at a location in our area to be announced.

Dates for the remaining three webinars are below. All start at 6pm, and we will gather in the sanctuary beginning at 5:30pm on these dates to participate together.

Right Sizing Your Congregation’s Operations – *Wednesday, Nov. 13*

Stewardship and Sustainability for the Long Haul– *Wednesday, Jan. 15*

Being Beloved Community – *Wednesday, Feb. 12*



## The Luunch Buunch



For November's 2nd Wednesday, the 13th (15 days before Thanksgiving - think it'll be cooler by then?) - we'll meet at Founaris Bros., 6911 Pensacola Blvd., 969-9099 (north of the "W" St. intersection with Pensacola Blvd., on the west side/left if you're headed north). I've been thinking Greek, and of course FB has Italian as well. As usual, 1:00 pm, and drop a line to [huturn@juno.com](mailto:huturn@juno.com), /501-5142 by Monday 11/11 so we can be seated more comfortably (than below).

Wednesday 9/10's Lunch Bunch at Kingfisher was an exercise in accommodating. Their parking lot was filled up when I arrived about 12:45 - pickups around the perimeter. Their weak acceptance of my reservation for 10-12 reveals that eateries that don't direct the dining seating end up with available tables but no two, three or four tables together as we needed.

So we 10 wedged into the triangular area of their "back" (actually side) room - and when I told the apparently chief waitress that we were ready to order, she said we needed to come back to the cash register - at the front door - to make our order. I pointed out that our ladies "of above average age" are unlikely to appreciate the trip (and may continue out the door? No, I didn't say that). And she quickly saw the logic of taking the orders at the table.



### Right Sizing Your Congregation's Operations

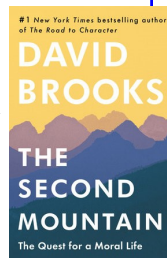
Webinar in the UUCP Sanctuary on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019 from 6 to 8pm

UUCP has registered to participate in a webinar series about maximizing our potential as a smaller congregation and living our WHY. Members of the congregation gather to participate together in the series. The webinars are broadcast live in the sanctuary when they are presented, and members are invited to join in the live event or to view the recorded version later from home. Links to the recorded webinars will be made available through our weekly emails, website, and newsletter.

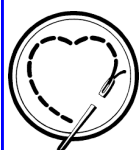
#### 2nd Hour: Discussion of *The Second Mountain* by David Brooks

November 10 from 11:15 to 12:30; discussion facilitated by Thom Botsford and Trista Blouin

In *The Second Mountain*, David Brooks explores the four commitments that define a life of meaning and purpose: to a spouse and family, to a vocation, to a philosophy or faith, and to a community. Our personal fulfillment depends on how well we choose and execute these commitments. On the second mountain, life moves from self-centered to other-centered. They want the things that are truly worth wanting, not the things other people tell them to want. They embrace a life of interdependence, not independence. They surrender to a life of commitment.



### Are You Crafty?



**The UUCP Needlers group will be meeting on Wednesday, November 20.** Do you knit, crochet or sew? Would you like to join a lunch bunch and work on a personal project? The Needler's group is for you. We welcome any experience level and any handcraft you can fit in a bag and bring along. Though meeting times and places vary, this month we will meet for lunch at [Cheddar's](#) (7173 N. Davis Hwy, just south of the interstate) for lunch at 11:30am. Afterwards we'll go to Lesley Ortiz's home nearby to do crafting. Non-crafters are welcome to join us for socializing. Please contact Barbara Goggins (phone 478-2953) or Erin Renfroe ([erin.refroe@gmail.com](mailto:erin.refroe@gmail.com)) for more information.



# What's UUp @ UUCP?

## UUCP Governing Board Meeting at 5:45pm on Monday, November 4

**JUST Pensacola Meeting Monday, November 4 at 7pm located at: First United Methodist Church at 6 East Wright Street, Pensacola, FL 32501, (850) - 432-1434.** JUST PENSACOLA (formerly the Pensacola Area Interfaith Justice Ministry) is a recently formed coalition of 20 or more local congregations of all religions; a coalition of many different faiths and beliefs who have come together to combine our strengths and our voices to seek justice in our local area. This assembly is to hear of community problems that congregations want to address.



### Sunday Sweets after the service in the Foyer November 17...

Delicious homemade treats for sale after Sunday Service. All proceeds go to benefit UUCP! Buy some extra goodies and treat the hard workers on the Sign crew!

### Can YOUU See the Signs?

Signs are a means of sending a message, conveying information, and drawing attention to a place or an issue. The UUCP signs on Pensacola Blvd (Hwy 29) and on Palafox Street help visitors locate our church and alert passersby to our presence. Our members have been expressing for years that our current signage is insufficient and ineffective. Now we are taking steps toward refreshing and improving both signs so that our church and our mission will be more visible.

The Board has formed a task force to investigate possibilities for redoing our main sign on Pensacola Blvd. The task force will research options and prices for a new sign and will suggest fundraising ideas. Task force members are Laura Keith King (chair), Gerry Donnelly (Board Liaison), Rob Pallme, and Charlie Steed. Contact Laura if you have suggestions or would like to help.

The sign on Palafox at the rear entrance also will be updated, and that project will be accomplished more quickly. Thanks to the creativity and clever thinking of Nancy Hagman and the Wolvertons, we have a repurposed 2' x 4' wooden sign to mark the back driveway. Jack and Kate are working on the logistics, including scheduling an inspection to ensure it is safe to dig and renting a handheld post hole auger (thanks to a donation from Jan Hervieux). They have a team already in place and you can view the completed project after November 17th.

### Thanksgiving Potluck November 24 11:30am to 1:00pm

Enjoy food, fun and fellowship at our potluck luncheon after the service. Volunteers needed and welcomed for setup and cleanup. We'll provide the beverages. Please bring a covered dish to share according to the following:

Last name begins with A - D: main dish or casserole

Last name begins with E-L: vegetable, salad, or appetizer

Last name begins with M - Z: dessert or bread

We often have guests so please be generous. Bring a dish and come break bread with old friends and new!



# ***Pretty Deadly Jazzy Auction***

***November 3, 2:00-5:00***

***Suggested donation only \$15.***

***Come and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment with world-renowned pianist Bobby van Deusen and his trio!***

***Fantastic deals on one-of-a-kind items; antique German wheeled tea cart, lanterns, carousel horses, silver-plate tea set, Singer sewing machine, Harley Davison clothes and collectibles.***

***Incredible services; swimming and music lessons, yard work and car wash, tech support or handyman, massage.***

***Delightful experiences; delicious meals, Dinner and a Movie, play-reading, Pensacola history tour, Mardi Gras Themed Tea Luncheon.***

***Themed Gift Baskets; books, tea, wine, beer, arts and crafts, eco-friendly***

***In our Live Auction you could win: an Aaron Neville Christmas concert and a one-night stay at the Beau Rivage in Biloxi, or a 5-day stay in Costa Rica next October! And much more! Updates will be posted on our website and Facebook event page.***



**Auction Volunteer Meeting Saturday, November 2 at 1pm in the Library**

**Fall Auction Catalog on our website, [uupensacola.org](http://uupensacola.org) under Members. The link is here:**

<https://uupensacola.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/2019-Auction-Catalog.pdf>

Time to start planning your bidding on November 3, at the Pretty Deadly Jazzy Auction and Concert. This preview catalog is current as of October 25, but know that a few details might change between now and then, and we might even get some more items for your consideration. Peruse, enjoy, and pass around to your friends to tempt them to join us for a hauntingly good time!

## Member Info—Good to Know!

### Cluster Groups - What are They?

Following Hurricane Ivan, the church, under the leadership of then-President Jack Wolverton, crafted a system where every member and friend would be assigned to a "Cluster Group." These groups 'cluster' folks who live close to one another. And each Cluster Group has a designated leader.

In the event of potential dangerous weather events, a phone tree will be activated by the President or their designee, for the group leaders to contact individuals to determine who plans to stay and who plans to leave. The Cluster Group Leader will then coordinate assistance for people who need it, as best they can.

ALSO - Group Leaders are encouraged to make connections with those in their neighborhood cluster group; this is an especially helpful endeavor to help our newer members form UUCP connections.

And members may consider offering mutual support such as sharing rides or enjoying a neighborhood potluck dinner, or any number of other kinds of activities.

Each year, a member of the Board or the President of the congregation, or their designee, re-affirms the group leaders' willingness to continue serving in their role as leader.

### Here are the Cluster Group Leaders for 2019-20:

Group A – Pensacola Downtown/East Hill (Zip Code 32501, 32502, 32503) — Debra DuBose

Group B – Pensacola Airport Area (Zip Code 32503, 32504) — Nancy Hagman

Group C – Pensacola Scenic Heights (32504, 32514) — Bob Gerold

Group D – Pensacola North of I-10 (32514) — Audrey Preston

Group E – Pensacola Azalea Trace and surrounding area (32514) — Barbara Goggins

Group F – Southwest Pensacola (32505, 32506, 32507) — Michael Newcomb

Group G – West Pensacola (32503, 32505, 32526) — Betty Myers

Group H – UUCP Area/Northwest Pensacola (32514, 32533, 32534, 32577) — Linda Cobb & Marcy Moreland

Group I – Gulf Breeze/Navarre (32536, 32561, 32563, 32566) — Lisa Rawson

Group J – Pace/Milton (32570, 32571, 32583) — Laura Keith King

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1. Go to our website: [uupensacola.org](http://uupensacola.org).
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5. If you don't already have the password, (it's the same one we've used for years), call the Church Office at 850-475-9077 on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 10am and 4pm, or email [uucp@bellsouth.net](mailto:uucp@bellsouth.net) to get it. During the year, as changes are made to our rosters, they will be reflected on our Simple Church site. However the PDF Directory is updated only once a year. Those who requested paper copies - they are being printed and will be available soon, and thank you Charlie Steed for getting the directory on our website.



### Do You Have an Emergency Contact Person on File?

**For those who are interested**, if you have an emergency contact person and their phone number and want it to be a part of your Simple Church profile - let Laurie Winterberg know and your information will be added to your Simple Church record. Contact Laurie Winterberg at [LaurieAnne1950@gmail.com](mailto:LaurieAnne1950@gmail.com) or 850-549-7247, or email Terra Shute, Office Administrator, at [uucp@bellsouth.net](mailto:uucp@bellsouth.net).





# How do we Strive for Justice?



## Why is LGBTQ History important?

The way that history is taught and remembered creates or reinforces “in” groups and “out” groups in a society. While many have heard about (such as the Stonewall Riots or and assassination of Harvey significant people and events in movement are often underrepresented in textbooks and K-12 curricula). brian, gay, bisexual, transgender, students and other marginalized to a safe and affirming school learn and grow.



some events in LGBTQ history the activism, political career, Milk in San Francisco), many the history of the LGBTQ rights sented (especially in schools, in All young people, including lesbian and questioning (LGBTQ) populations, should have access environment where they can

Each of us has worth and dignity, and that worth includes our gender and our sexuality. As Unitarian Universalists (UUs), we not only open our doors to people of all sexual orientations and gender identities, we value diversity of sexuality and gender and see it as a spiritual gift. We create inclusive religious communities and work for LGBTQ justice and equity as a core part of who we are. *All* of who you are is sacred. *All* of who you are is welcome.

## What We Are Doing

**Welcoming Congregations** Our congregations engage in intentional Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) welcoming ministry. Find a Welcoming Congregation near you or learn more about the Welcoming Congregation Program and how we are constantly deepening our practice of welcome.

## **UPLIFT: LGBTQ Ministries and Welcoming Congregations Blog and Newsletter**

This is the quarterly newsletter from the UUA's LGBTQ Ministries, sharing LGBTQ voices in Unitarian Universalism and beyond. UPLIFT is a platform for the UUA to highlight LGBTQ+ issues and concerns by featuring related programming, reflections, and content circulated in our quarterly blog and email newsletter.

## Worship & Education

**Pride**: A collection of resources, including readings, meditations, and stories you can use for LGBTQ-focused worship services.

**Identity 101**: Learn more about sexual orientations and gender identities.

**Print resources**: LGBTQ-related pamphlets, flyers, guides, and other print resources.

**Our Whole Lives (OWL)** : A sexuality education program for the entire lifespan, inclusive of sexuality and gender diversity.

For more information: [lgbtq@uua.org](mailto:lgbtq@uua.org).



# November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursda	Friday	Saturday
					1	2  <i>Auction Volunteers Meet 1p</i>
3 Donate to Manna  <i>Conversation Hr 9a</i>  Choir Practice 9a  <i>Sunday Service 10a</i>  OWL Class and Graduation 11:30a	4  <i>Board Meeting  5:45p to 7:45p</i>	5	6	7	8	9
10 <i>Conversation Hr 9a</i>  Sunday Service 10a  <i>Coffee Hour 11a</i>  Second Hour Discussion: <i>The Second Mountain</i> by David Brooks 11:15a	11  	12	13  <b>LUUNCH BUUNCH</b> 1pm at Founaris Brothers ***** <i>UUA WEBINAR:</i> “Right Sizing Your Congregation’s Operations” <i>6pm at UUCP</i>	14	15	16  <b>SUBMISSIONS FOR NOVEMBER LIGHT DUE OCT. 16</b>  
17 <i>Conversation Hr 9a</i>  Choir Practice 9a  <i>Children’s Chapel 10a</i>  Sunday Service 10a  <i>Sunday Sweets 11a</i>	18	19	20  <i>The Needlers Group— See Lesley Ortiz for info</i>	21	22	23
24 <i>Conversation Hr 9a</i>  Choir Practice 9a  <i>Sunday Service for All Ages, Bread Sharing Ceremony 10a</i>	25	26	27	28	29	30

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 **DECEMBER LIGHT:**  
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