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How do we build Beloved Community?

From Your Board: President's Column

My Dear Church Community,

We had our very first meeting of the new 2022-2023 Board of Directors, consisting of our annual "Board Retreat" held Saturday, August 20, in the auditorium of Azalea Trace, a lovely, large space, graciously arranged for us by Georgianna Bryant, who resides there. She told me that her dear friend, Barbara Goggins was very anxious for Georgianna to join her there, and there was a sad sweetness to the fact that Barbara waited for her friend to get settled before she passed on to her next adventure in the great beyond.



Our Retreat was a day-long gathering in which new and old board members got to know each other better to facilitate better communication, and we learned about or reviewed the established workings of the church, while examining how things might change for the better. We also had some decisions to make about reassigning some of the minister's duties which existed outside of providing the Sunday Services. It was a very productive and congenial meeting, with some great immediate results. One thing that pleases me greatly is that Scott Satterwhite has volunteered to chair the Building and Grounds team. The team consists of Jack Wolverton, Daniel Cobb, Jay Butcher, and anyone else who would like to volunteer. Another wonderful result is that we have a new location and a date for our Annual (or semi-annual) UUCP Campout! There hasn't been a campout since 2019, and many of us have fond memories of great times and miss it. Joe Vinson suggested his parent's property in Century, which is a lovely place with lots of space, and lovely water features. It's close enough to Pensacola that it's quite feasible for people to just come for some of the activities, even if they don't want to camp out. There is even a cabin with a few beds available for some of us who are just not able to sleep in a tent. The date has been set, and a committee organized to plan the activities. It will happen October 15, 16th and 17th, so put it on your calendar, **NOW!** (see next page)

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The second topic is to report on our Welcoming Congregation application. We submitted the application to UUA on May 28, just a few days after our congregational vote, and the UUA website stated that we should allow 60 days for a response. Throughout the summer, I followed up several times in several ways and finally the program director contacted us, and we arranged our Zoom interview, which happened with our committee on Thursday, August 18. The director of the program approved our application! As it turns out, there is a lot of support material available for us to use, and we are really looking forward to those new tools to enable us to continue being as welcoming as possible.

The third topic is what is probably on most of your minds already: ELECTION TIME. I hope you will all do what you can to help get our most compassionate and honest candidates into office as is in keeping with our Seven Principles and our Covenant, which ends with “help one another.” If you’re not sure how to help, there are some great suggestions on the UU Website, under UU The Vote, which you can find by clicking on this link: <https://www.uuthevote.org/7-ways/>. If anyone in our congregation would like to spearhead or assist in one of the congregational activities listed on the site, please let me know and I’ll help you!



Here’s hoping to see you at church (or you can see us on YouTube).

In Love and Fellowship,

Laura KK

Sunday Sweets Will Resume in the Fall!

They will be held on the second Sunday of every month.

The schedule for 2022 is as follows:

September 11

October 9th (please note change from October 16th;
date changed again so as not to conflict with Yard Sale

November 13th

December 11th



Thank you! - Michael Newcomb

UUCP Recognized by UUA as LGBTQ+ Welcoming Congregation

August 25, 2022

From the UUA:

Dear Laura and Members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Pensacola,

Congratulations!

I am delighted to inform you that the Unitarian Universalist Church of Pensacola's application to become recognized as a Welcoming Congregation has been APPROVED! Sincere congratulations on taking this powerful step, doing the collective work to educate one another on LGBTQ+ issues, and committing together to ongoing ministry to the queer community in and beyond Pensacola, FL.

It is so delightful to learn of the breadth of work you have done to commit to becoming a Welcoming Congregation as outlined in our Welcoming Congregations Guidelines and Action Steps. You have been faithful in appropriating the framework and applying them to UUCP's education, congregational life, and community outreach.

As you move forward as a Welcoming Congregation, I encourage you to commit to renewing your welcome annually via the new The Five Practices of Welcome Renewal. Please register for a monthly renewal orientation session to learn how to begin The Five Practices at your congregation. For more information please visit: www.uua.org/lgbtq, subscribe to the quarterly UPLIFT newsletter, and read the UPLIFT blog. We also invite you to join the new Welcoming Congregations of Unitarian Universalism Facebook Group and follow UPLIFT Twitter and Instagram via @uua_lgbtq.

You can expect to receive two newly designed Welcoming Congregation posters in the mail. In the meantime, you have approval to use the new Welcoming Congregation logo on your website and other materials.

Thanks again for your congregation's life-giving, essential work!

With appreciation,

Rev. Michael J. Crumpler: He/Him/His

LGBTQ+ and Multicultural Programs Director



LGBTQ

Welcoming Congregation

Sunday Services in September

Sep 4th: "American History, as Lived by My Family"

with UUCP Member, Jack Comstock

Since 1635, Jack's ancestors have been on this American continent and in their small way participated in its history and development. He will share their story, lending a personal touch to what we learned in school.



Sep 11th:

"UUCP Annual Ingathering Service"



729 "A community of all ages that sings its songs, tells its thoughts, asks its questions, and searches together with courage and with love." By Patricia Shuttee, excerpt from *Singing the Living Tradition*.

All are invited to join together in our **Annual Ingathering Service**. This is the time we celebrate coming together after our summer by bringing some water, a stone or shell from our summer travels or time at home. There will be a ceremony to gather these waters to use in future ceremonies, such as baby naming. It is wonderful to gather together and renew our relationships with one another and our Congregational home. We will also have a **New Member Welcoming Ceremony** during this service. **Welcome, all!**

Sep 18th: "A UU Altar Call?" Rev. Maggie Lovins, UUCP Community Minister

An altar call at a UU church, what's that all about?! Join our Community Minister, Rev. Maggie Lovins, as we challenge ourselves to dive deeper into our Principles and Purposes and rededicate ourselves to our mission to change the world through celebrating Diversity, Love, and Justice.

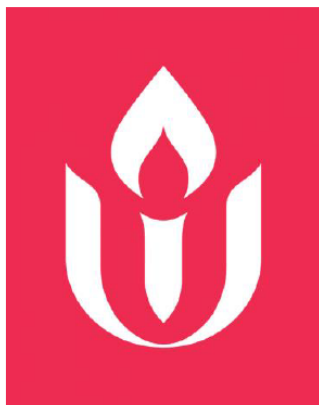


Sep 25th: "Journey of Spirit and Soul through Music"

with Jack Wolverton, longtime Member of UUCP



Jack has spent the majority of his life listening to, playing, and being inspired by music. Although he worked as an engineer and was not financially supported by music, his spiritual life is made whole through music. Come hear Jack discuss his musical inspirations throughout his life. (This will be the first in a series of services highlighting musicians).



CRE *** Faith Development

September in CRE

September 4th I will be holding an orientation for CRE parents, volunteers, and anyone that is interested. This meeting will take place in the Sanctuary from 11:30 until 12:30 (at the latest). I will be discussing the curriculum and expectations for the new church year. I hope to see everyone there, including the kids!

We will not have our official start to our liturgical church year until September 11. On the eleventh we will have our Ingathering Ceremony in the service that Sunday. We will bring something from our summer travels, a pebble, a sea shell, or a small bottle of water to add to our story. This will be a Service for All Ages, (SFAA) where the children will stay with their adults in the sanctuary for the service.

ALL Together Quilt!

Please remember to have your Quilt square turned into me at the very latest by August 28, so it can be included in the CRE quilt/wall hanging for the Rainforest room. We will have the completed quilt on display at Ingathering on Sept. 11.

Sunday Mornings

Each Sunday please stop by the Children's Religious Education table in the Foyer to sign in your child for class and to find out what is going on in RE this month.

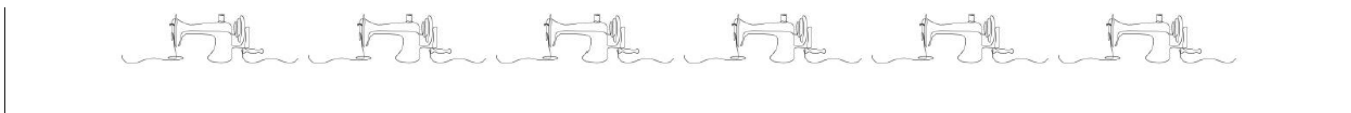
The children will start with you in the service and will be sung out to class after the Time for All Ages.



Children's Religious Education (CRE) Ministry Team

Coordinator: Sarah Stubbs Team Leader: Open

Team Members: Crys Brockway, Tanya Seabrook, Bradley Vinson, Linda Cobb & Denise Gunn





UUCP FALL YARD SALE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21st & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22nd

Many of you have asked “WHEN” is the next Yard Sale? It is finally happening in October!!! Do your “Cleaning Out” NOW while the heat index is too high to be outside. Don’t wait until the week of the sale as we won’t have time to get your items priced and hence these items will go unsold.

1. Bring items to the church beginning **Sunday, October 2nd** (not before please) or arrange to bring your items with someone who has a church key during the week. Remember we don’t currently have an Office Administrator presence at the church during the week. Kitchen items, linens, toys, children’s books, outdoor items, furniture, electronics, shoes, purses, hats, knickknacks, tools, jewelry, pictures, collectibles, appliances, gardening supplies, and pet items are all good sellers. Items can be placed in the back hallway away from the exit doors. Putting items in **stackable boxes** would be a “big help.”
2. Bring us your **portable folding tables by Sunday, October 16th**. Be sure your name is underneath the tabletop. Tables can be picked up on Sunday, October 23rd. We always need more display tables!
3. Because there are so many tasks associated with planning and coordinating our Yard Sales, we are asking that you make arrangements with other church members/friends to pick up and deliver your large or heavy items to the church ahead of the sale. We need these items no later than **Sunday, October 16th** or **Monday, October 17th** to include them in the sale. Thanks for understanding.
4. Plan to **stay after church Sunday, October 16th** to help with initial set up. Help is needed to set up some long tables and to bring items from storage to the church foyer. Just an hour would help a lot.
5. Volunteer to help with set up and pricing of items on **Monday, October 17th**, **Tuesday, October 18th**, and **Wednesday, October 19th** beginning at **9:00 a.m.** (until about 4:00 p.m.) –any shift during these times will be appreciated. Contact Linda Cobb with days/times you can help. A sandwich lunch will be provided. Other food donations appreciated. We need lots of helpers just to organize items so they will sell better. No expertise required. Remember volunteer helpers find the “early bargains.” We may also work **Thursday, October 20th** if not done on Wednesday.
6. Volunteer to help with the actual sale on **Friday, Oct. 21st** and **Saturday, October 22nd**. Any shift you can work between 7:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. would be great. Help will be needed on Saturday after the sale to help organize and pack up any remaining items for donation to charity.

Any and all assistance is GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

Linda Cobb & Georgianna Bryant, UUCP Yard Sale Coordinators

Please contact them using their information in Simple Church or by calling a friend.

If you don’t have access to Simple Church you may call the Office at 850-475-9077 and leave a message with your name and number for them to call you, or email the Office at uupensacola@gmail.com and your email will be forwarded. Thanks!

Calling All Artists!

UUCP is once again inviting artist members and friends of the congregation to loan two to three of their artistic works for display in the conference room. Our Rotating Art Exhibit is returning! We will accept submissions the last two Sundays in September and will display the works through December 31. Anyone 15 years and older is welcome to bring their work, but there are a few guidelines:

2-D works must be framed and gallery wired for hanging (no sawtooth hangers as they don't work with our hanging system).

3-D works will be placed on a table for display

No work over 15 pounds (again—for our hanging system)

Please provide a title along with your name, the medium, and the size of the work so that can be posted by it. (There will be a form to fill out when you drop off your work).

You may offer it for sale. Sales will be handled between the artist and the purchaser. Customarily, 10% of the sale is returned to the church as thanks for the opportunity to show. If you don't wish to sell, put NFS on the form.

Family friendly please!

Contact Carol Hemmye with any questions.

2nd Wednesday Lunch Bunch for September 14th

We had seven for Founaris Bros.' on Wednesday, 10 August. The pre-arrival reservations helped us get a large enough table—but then, the Greek Restaurant usually has room to spare unless you want a booth. I think all left with food to take home; when supplemented with veggies, my Florentine Seafood lasted for two suppers. (But hard to distinguish their firm pasta from the seafood.)

For September's 2nd Wednesday, the 14th, there were several suggestions (and not just this time) to visit [Cactus Flower](#) at [3524 North 12th Avenue](#). "The first Cactus Flower Cafe, where it all started" it says boldly on their web page which lists 3 more (Dothan, Pace and Navarre). It's not our first time, but it has certainly been 5-6 years or more since the last visit.

And I recall it being crowded on that visit...which means that I will certainly need your "yea or nay" for a group sit-down with minimum "adding of table/chairs" at 1 PM as usual. Interestingly, their web page offers no phone number, only social media for contact, so your earliest notice to me will be appreciated. (Check for my phone or email—both unchanged—via our church listing, Simple Church.)

I stopped by today 17/8 (savoring the aromas), four weeks ahead, to reserve for 10/ten. Let me know, even if you're a "maybe."

Hugh Ed T.

You Ought to be in Pictures...

Yes, you should! And you can on Sunday, September 11, 2022 as we gather to kick off and celebrate a new year at UUCP.

As you are willing and able, we'll have an all-ages group photo taken after Sunday Service to mark the occasion by our very own Laura Keith King, so please try to attend so you're included in the group! **We want YOU there!**



Back in July we had a significant water pipe leak underground behind the church, and the asphalt had to be cut up to make the repair.

Many thanks are due to Daniel Cobb and Jay Butcher who investigated and facilitated the repair by a plumber.



Thank you so much to Jack Wolverton, Daniel and Jay who fixed the asphalt!



Our most sincere appreciation to these volunteers from our Congregation!



Check Out the Finance Team

The new church year is upon us, and the **Finance Team** wants to extend an **open invitation** to our Members who may have an interest in joining our Team.

The Team will meet via Zoom on Saturday morning, September 3rd at 9:30 am. If you're interested, let Laurie Winterberg know so the login info can be emailed to you.

The **biggest responsibility** of the Finance Team is to conduct the annual Budget Drive, which generally takes place in February to March of each year. Other responsibilities include reviewing finances, providing guidance, and overseeing **fundraising events**. A subgroup of the Team often actually conducts all aspects of fundraising activities, with volunteer help. Examples are last year's on-line auction, "Buy It Now," and "Certificate Mart," which allowed Members and Friends of UUCP to purchase gift certificates for goods and services donated by UUCP's Members and Friends. Our "big" indoor Yard Sales are greatly supported by the Finance Team. And we couldn't do it without a significant representation of Members and Friends who volunteer to make this event successful. It helps us raise funds to help support the church but also helps our wider non-UUCP community to shop for items at very low prices.

The Team meets (via Zoom) about 5 times a year. More frequent meetings will be needed as the work to conduct our Budget Drive begins. This includes crafting an actual budget and modifying it (with Governing Board reviews and approvals) as we draw closer to the church's Annual Congregational Meeting—generally held in May—where all members can vote on next year's budget if they have joined UUCP at least 6 weeks earlier than the meeting date.

Becoming a member of the Finance Team is SO easy—just let Laurie Winterberg know you want to join. Attending the **Sep. 3rd meeting** is certainly a step in the right direction!

Hey, Got Any News?

The Light's staff of crack investigative journalists has dwindled of late, so we rely on you to keep up with happenings among our congregation members. Let us know your big news: New grandkids, milestone birthdays and anniversaries, wonderful trips, interesting learning experiences, or sorrows we can help you bear. Send all to uupensacola@gmail.com by the 21st of each month—or, if you have always wanted to be a crack investigative journalist, please send an email to communications@uupensacola.org.

New Members

The following people joined our congregation in July and August as Members of UUCP. We will recognize them at a New Member Welcoming Ceremony on Sunday, September 11, during our annual Ingathering Service that day.

Kayla and Chad Holloway
Victor Musial
Marybeth and Brett Ramsey
Charlotte Snyder
Carolyn Tokson

READERS' GROUPS - Fall 2022 Schedule

The Fall dates for the Zoom Readers' groups are set! These Zoom groups will meet on the 2nd Monday of the month beginning at 10 am.

The login information will be sent out to all UUCP Members & Friends a few days prior to the meeting. What makes this group a bit different is that there are NO books you are required to read. Participants share their recommendations and thoughts about the books they've read and enjoyed (or didn't). Participants will tell you that they've been introduced to titles, authors, and series that they otherwise may have never explored. There is generally a broad question at the beginning of each session—example—"What's better, the book or the movie?"

The dates will be -

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 12

There's no RSVP or registration - just click on the provided Zoom link and you're in. All sessions begin at 10 am and last approximately 1 hour.

Questions or more information—contact Laurie Winterberg.

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Details available at our website: <http://www.mannafood.org/give-food/host-a-food-drive/>



<p>Grains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instant oatmeal packets, original flavor • Brown rice (16 oz) • Whole grain pasta (16 oz) <p>Protein</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuna, Salmon or Chicken, in water • Dry or canned beans (low sodium) • Natural nut butters 	<p>Fruits & Vegetables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canned vegetables (low-sodium) • Canned fruit (In Juice) • Fruit cups <p>Other Healthy Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelf-stable, individual milk boxes • Cooking oils & spices • Infant formula & baby foods <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">July 2016</p>
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