

This Week at UUCOB

Members and Friends of the UU Congregation of Ormond Beach



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April 29, 2018 Worship Service

9:15 Discussion Group Topic: "Seven Things I have learned in Seven Decades"

10:30 Service: — Rev. Kathy Tew Rickey, "Emergence, Part II: A Theology for Our Time"

Service Leader: Chris Gruner

Annual Congregational meeting immediately following the service

Events this week

April 29, 2018 ANNUAL MEETING 11:45 am – 1:00 pm

May 1, 2018
2:30 p.m. Women's Group - Room 2

May 2, 2018
11:00 a.m. Worship Committee Mtg. – Room 2
6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – room 5

May 3, 2018
10:00 a.m. Caring Committee Mtg. – Room 1
10:15 a.m. Democracy Now -

Upcoming Special Events

This year's **F.A.I.T.H. ACTION ASSEMBLY** will be held Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Peabody Auditorium, 600 Auditorium Drive, Daytona Beach.

If you want to work for justice in our local community this is your chance. Help us stop children as young as four years old from getting arrested. Learn about restorative justice to replace school suspensions that lead to a high dropout rate for our disabled and minority students. Several school board members, police chiefs and a Sheriff will be part of the program. -----Leigh Montgomery

Miami

The Social Justice team of the UU Congregation of Miami is trying to start a statewide **ballot initiative on issues related to gun violence** and looking for help on putting one together. Contact Terry Lowman at 515-441-9844, terrylelowman@gmail.com

UUA Mid-Year Update 2018

Reverend Susan Frederick-Gray (UUA President) and Carey McDonald (Chief Operating Officer) share a brief video report, and longer written report:

<https://www.uua.org/pressroom/press-releases/uua-mid-year-update-2018>

Denominational Affairs Chair: John Horner

In recent News-Journal Letter to the Editor column

Barbara Sandberg has article titled **RIGHT OR PRIVILEGE** regarding voting and the constitution. You can read it at <http://www.uuormond.org/more/letters-editor/>

Life Long Learning in May

“Poetry is Personal”— May 9th

This program presents a panel of poetry aficionados, who will discuss their individual, personal experience with poetry. Each will explain why poetry is important in their life and will share with us some poems, which are meaningful to them.

Jim Cunningham has taught poetry and other areas of the humanities for 44 years. In addition, Dr. Cunningham has served as Department of Humanities & Social Sciences Chair at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and more recently as Associate Vice President, Academics and Director of the Study Abroad Programs at Embry-Riddle.

Rodney Rogers has had a thoroughly unconventional 46-year academic career, teaching literature, computer science, and aeronautical science at universities including Clemson, the Citadel, the University of North Carolina at Asheville, and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Dr. Rogers earned doctoral degrees in English and American Literature from the University of Virginia and in Computer Science from the University of Central Florida.

Joan Thate is the President of the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation Board of Trustees. She has spent a long career teaching high school students and then teachers. During her 47-year career, she has taught American and English literature, creative and expository writing, speech, drama, American and European history, sociology, psychology, economics, advanced placement English and American History, and lunch duty. She also spent her summers taking additional courses a variety of subjects.

“The Impact of Stigma on Mental Health and Mental Illness” — May 23rd

Many people with mental disorders and problems experience unnecessary extra suffering. The social stigma attached to mental ill health and the discrimination that individuals experience, often reinforced by media depictions and language, can make recovery more difficult. **Preston Garrison** will explore the history, course of development, and impact on people who experience such stigmatization and who live with one of the world’s most common and complicated problems of global health.

Dr. Garrison retired in September 2009 as the Secretary-General and Chief Executive Officer of the World Federation for Mental Health, the oldest and largest international citizen’s advocacy and educational organization working in the field of mental health. Preston served as the chief executive officer for the National Mental Health Association (US) from 1984 through 1991. Earlier, he served as chief staff officer for NMHA affiliates in Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida, which focused on the development of effective grassroots mental health public policy advocacy, public awareness, and consumer involvement. --Tom Hilburn

OUR MISSION is to encourage and facilitate consideration of ethics, philosophies, and religions and the development of our individual values and beliefs; to provide opportunities for fellowship and mutual support; to establish and maintain a vigorous Unitarian Universalist presence in our local community; and to expand our membership.

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