

Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Ormond Beach



The Unitarian Universalist Congregation
of Ormond Beach

Cordially invites you to celebrate the
Installation of our Minister
The Reverend Kathy Tew Rickey

Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
56 North Halifax Drive
Ormond Beach, FL 32176

Ministers, Clergy and Religious Professionals are invited to process.
We will gather at 5 p.m. to robe. Hospitality will be open to all
following the service of installation. Please RSVP to
revk2rickey@gmail.com by October 7, 2018.

A NOTE FROM OUR MINISTER: Installation Celebration!

What in the world is an "Installation?" Well, for Unitarian Universalists, it's a ceremony in which the congregation "installs" its settled minister. The Act of Installation is a little like a marriage between minister and congregation. But our promises to each other will be about creating and keeping the institution of our church healthy rather than the institution of marriage. There will be a formal "Charge to the Minister" and a "Charge to the Congregation." During the Charge to the Minister, Board Members will ask a series of questions such as:

*"We come here to learn. Will you teach us, listen to us, change your mind with us?
Will you challenge us to stretch and grow? And I reply: "I will."*

In turn, I will ask you, the congregation collectively a series of questions, such as the following:

*"Will you work with me to serve our neighbors, to feed their bodies, their hearts
and their minds, as we feed our own?" And collectively, you reply: "We will."*

These are sample questions. At this point, I'm not sure what the exact wording will be. I will be working with the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Ministry on crafting these vows or promises between you, the congregation and me.

Surrounding the Act of Installation will be the elements of a worship service such as Chalice Lighting, Hymns, Readings, and a Sermon by a longtime friend and fellow minister, The Reverend Jill McAllister of Corvallis, Washington. I first met Jill over 20 years ago when I was a member of a UU congregation in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She is a wonderful preacher and I know you will enjoy having her in our pulpit as much as I will.

Also attending will be several other ministers from our Florida UU Ministers chapter. The Reverend Janet Onnie will be taking part in the service as well as others. I have invited clergy from the F.A.I.T.H. organization. All religious professionals will be invited to be part of a clergy processional at the beginning of the service.

I hope you will be able to join the celebration on October 14 at 5:30 p.m. There will be hospitality and much celebrating together after the Installation service. I am so very happy to be your minister and I look forward to making it official.

Yours in faith,
Rev. Kathy

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — Uneasy Times, But We Will Survive

Being human (and many of us, humans of a certain age) we've experienced and survived periods of time when what had seemed like the normal world order was upended by a tragic event, like Pearl Harbor or 9/11, or by movements that challenged apparently settled manners and mores, like the 1960's. We have realized that with effort and care and sometimes actual growth, the tumultuous world tends to yearn back to a sense of normality—not as exciting, but much more livable in that the times require less of us, allowing for attention to our own affairs, to wonderfully uneventful days. We know that while our world has changed, and ourselves, we've adjusted and we still enjoy a good meal or interesting friends.

Yet, we can't miss the sense that the ground is shaky in our country right now as we find ourselves in uneasy times again. Almost daily we turn to the news with both trepidation and fascination at what we will find there that breaks some rule—once a geometric given in our understanding of a proof.

If we are honest, we realize that we are lucky compared to so many people in the world who have been driven from their homes—even their countries—experiencing truly life-threatening upheaval. But it's not impossible, given our own history and the raw understanding of the worst in human nature, to imagine that, if the extremes are not checked, our own fate could include some cataclysmic future. We think not. We hope not. But we're not sure.

In the very specific and much smaller venue of our UU, we've had a threat to our regular order, our sense of safety. As you may know, two times in the last two weeks, someone has unlawfully entered our building looking for cash. Our loss now involves \$237 in cash, the replacement of two inside doors, one lock box, and a whole lot of work and hassle.

Our Board of Trustees is working with our ad hoc safety committee (Bruce Nelson, Jofre Miller, Chris Gruner, and Harry White) to tighten up our security in a number of ways. We'll report back to you when the tasks are completed. Preston and Susan Garrison, who chair our Building and Grounds committee, have been part of the work crew to restore our building to its normal state. The most generous contributor in the process of restoration has been Cliff Jackson, who has been unlucky enough to have fielded both police calls, one in the middle of the night. He has repaired and/or replaced broken doors and is on his way to becoming an expert at installing deadlocks. Please thank these folks profusely.

We will all need to be more vigilant about security as we move in and out of and inhabit our building. At the same time, we are aware of the fact that we can never make everything completely safe and secure. But I'm thinking we can put this into perspective, do the work, and survive these uneasy times.

--Joan Thate

Upcoming Pulpit Presentations

September 30—Water Communion with Ellen Nielsen and our Congregation

The water communion represents our connectedness to one another. The mingled waters represent our coming together again and symbolize our shared faith coming from many different sources — joining together to celebrate our place on this planet. During the service, members are invited to pour a small amount of water into a common bowl and speak briefly about where their water came from.

October 7—Rev. Kathy Tew Rickey, “Creating Sanctuary”

How can we create a worry-free, grounded, and renewing space for ourselves in a world which often feels like anything but? Based on a book by Terry Hershey called *Sanctuary: Creating a Space for Grace in Your Life*.

Service Leader: Cliff Jackson

October 14—TBA, Morning Service; The Reverend Jill McAllister, Afternoon Installation Service & Reception

Service Leader: Denise Carter

October 21—Rev. Kathy Tew Rickey, “The Sanctuary Movement”

What can we learn from our fellow UU congregations that provide actual sanctuary to persons fleeing deportation?

Service Leader: Rita Scheeler

October 28—Rev. Kathy Tew Rickey, “Sanctuary: The Cup of Our Community”

I often hold up my cupped hands to refer to the “Cup of Our Community.” Let’s explore what that means in terms of this month’s worship theme.

Service Leader: Gaia Davies

November 4—Rev. Kathy Tew Rickey, All-Souls Service and Memory Tree

To celebrate All Souls Day, our members and friends are invited to participate in a ceremonial service to honor and remember loved ones who have died. Come prepared with the names of those you wish to honor.

Service Leader: Bill Ternent

SHARE THE PLATE— Sophie's Circle

We will be sharing our collection plate on **October 21st** with an organization that helps pets stay with their owners. Sophie's Circle was founded by Kathy Blackman in 2008 after she adopted a Siberian husky named Sophie. Kathy literally saved Sophie’s life.



The organization is dedicated to an ongoing effort to keep pets in their homes where they belong, even though their families may be experiencing financial hardship. Locally, Sophie’s Circle operates two food pantries for pets, offering free pet food to those in need. In addition to helping to provide pet food and other necessities, the organization also works to educate the public about spay/neuter programs, which help prevent pets from becoming homeless and abandoned.

Sophie’s Circle has expanded and now rescues dogs from all over Florida and places them in loving foster homes. The organization has many dedicated volunteers who rescue and nurse back to health unwanted and abused animals. They depend solely on individual contributions, so please be generous **on October 21st** as we share our Sunday morning offering with Sophie’s Circle.

--Jeanne Young

CARING COMMITTEE UPDATE—Bimonthly Meetings Begin in November

The Caring Committee has voted to change our monthly meetings schedule to meeting every other month. Thus, our committee will meet in September, November, January, March, May and July. We will continue to meet the first Thursday of every month in Room One at 10 a.m. We will not meet in October, and our next regular meeting will take place on November 1, 2018. However, we will call for impromptu meetings if they are needed. Most of our communication is electronically or by phone.

We welcome new Caring Committee members and are especially grateful for those who visit the impaired or ill as well as those who drive members of our congregation to local medical appointments should they be unable to do so. Other services include providing meals, grocery shopping, sending appropriate greeting or sympathy cards as well as making visits and phone calls to members who are ill or recovering from surgery. If you want to join our *Caring Ring*, please email me at jnelson5348@cfl.rr.com.

--Joyce Nelson

OUR 5th ANNUAL MARKETPLACE – A Host of Fun and Interesting Possibilities

Planning is underway for the fifth Annual UUCOB Marketplace fundraising event. In the past four years, our Marketplace event has generated over \$25,000 to support UUCOB's general operating budget, and we are pleased to announce plans for the 2018-2019 event.

While raising money is essential for maintaining our UU church building and staffing, fund raising can also be a good way to learn more about our members and join them in fun and interesting activities. For example, through the Marketplace, we've enjoyed getting to know each other better at themed dinners, wine & cheese events, special occasion parties, and even a cabaret evening. We've relished cooking, photography, sailing, music and even birding lessons. We've been able to get help with such chores as shopping, cleaning, driving, power washing and tax preparation assistance that our fellow UU's have offered. Some lucky folks were able to purchase haircare and even relaxing massages as well as special out-of-town excursions.

We're a creative and enthusiastic congregation, so let your imagination take you to new ideas to share with your fellow members! How about a "Paint Party" or a guided birding trek to one of our nearby National Wildlife Refuges? Who can forget Betty Green's sumptuous bread-making class or the raucous "BBQ and Tall Tales" evening?

This year's Marketplace Donor activities kick-off on **Sunday, October 21** and continue through Sunday, **October 28**. We invite our members to offer services, special meals, activities and events for purchase. The Marketplace donor table will be open before and after the Sunday services for members to pick up Donor Forms for use in indicating the services, meals, parties, or events they wish to offer. The Donor forms are also posted on our www.uuormond.org website where you can print them out. The final day for submitting your Donor forms will be Sunday, October 28.

The Marketplace's Purchase tables will be open following services on **Sunday, November 4, 11, and 18**. The final day for making purchases of your favorite services and/or events is Sunday, November 18. All notices and invoices will be submitted to those making purchases no later than Sunday, December 2. This year's Marketplace Planning Committee consists of Susan and Preston Garrison, Betty Green, Patty and Dennis Alsobrook, and Julie and Tom Hilburn. For questions, or to discuss a possible meal, event, or service, please e-mail Preston Garrison at PJGarrisonPJG@aol.com or call at (386) 265-1715.

--Preston and Susan Garrison

LIFE LONG LEARNING— Programs for October

The Life Long Learning programs for Fall 2018 will be varied and include interesting topics related to philosophy, history, government and the arts as well as science and education. Each of these lecture-discussion style programs includes time for audience questions and comments.

Stop Ballot Confusion! Learn about the Proposed Amendments to the Florida Constitution

--Saturday, October 6th from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.



This year's November ballot may include up to 13 proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution. Why so many? Every 20 years, a Constitutional Revision Commission meets and, if necessary, proposes amendments to Florida's Constitution. Most of the 2018 Commission's proposals are "bundled" — multiple proposals and issues that are contained in one amendment — which may lead to misinterpreting them. The

November ballot will also contain some amendments proposed by the Florida Legislature and some by citizen petition. Your informed vote is important, as the Florida Constitution is the highest law of the state, and other laws and regulations must be compatible with it.

The non-partisan League of Women Voters of Volusia County is working to clear the fog. Their presentation will discuss each of the proposed constitutional amendments and explain what a YES or a NO vote would mean. (At least 60% of voters must approve each amendment for it to become part of the Florida Constitution.) The League speakers will also explain which organizations support or oppose each amendment.

"Antarctica: Journey to the End of the Earth" —Wednesday, October 10th 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Preston Garrison took an eight-year sabbatical from his career in mental health advocacy and public policy to work as a contract wildlife and travel photographer and writer. During his time in this "second career," he was involved in a variety of projects in Zimbabwe, Morocco, Ecuador, Chile, Costa Rica and other countries, typically working with national tourism boards that were trying to develop eco-tourism strategies for their country. Preston returned to the not-for-profit mental health advocacy sector in 1998 and retired from the World Federation for Mental Health in September 2009. His love for wilderness travel and photography continues, and in November/December of 2017, he fulfilled a life-long dream by taking an expedition trip to Antarctica aboard Quark Expedition's Ocean Adventurer. He will share his adventure with us through his comments and photographs.

"Spiritualism: History and Practice" --Wednesday, October 24, 2018, 4:00 to 5:30

Ron "Mel" Melvin will help us examine the spiritualism movement as a religion, as a clairvoyant and healing practice, and as entertainment. [We have a local example in Cassadaga.] Mel will discuss the origins, beliefs, traditions, rituals, and principles of spiritualism through a workshop format, with lecture, discussion, audience experiences, and demonstrations. While Mel is known for his entertainment magic, he is also a serious student of the history and practice of mysticism.

--Tom Hilburn and Dan Kennedy

Check out our UUCOB website at <http://www.uuormond.org/> for information and videos of the outstanding UUA programs that were offered at the **General Assembly** in Kansas City, Missouri, over June 20-24, 2018.

RUMMAGE SALE— Fall Fun and Fundraising

The UUCOB fall rummage sale will take place on **October 19 & 20** so it's not too soon to plan for the items you will donate. Drop them off at UU on Wednesday or Thursday, October 17, 18 between 8:00 am to 4:00 pm if possible. Please be sure that your items are clean and in good condition, with suggested prices if you can determine them.

We need many volunteers those days to help with unloading, sorting and pricing. Jewelry can be brought in sooner, for help with pricing. Donation receipt forms will be available for you to fill out. If you need help getting your donated items to the UU building, call Cliff Jackson at 677-7687 or e-mail: reelseeker@aol.com

We also need extra folding card tables or long tables if you can loan them. Please bring them Wednesday, October 17 and mark them underneath "Not for Sale" and your name. We need many volunteers for helping at the sale on Friday and Saturday.

Cleanup of our sanctuary is also important on Saturday afternoon in order to prepare for the Sunday worship service. We especially need physically strong helpers to get leftover items ready for removal on Saturday afternoon. Please sign up for part or all of any of the four days, using the sign-up sheet on the back table. We usually bring our own lunches and often bring extra to share with each other. If your cooking skills are stronger than your back, goodies for the workers would be welcome. Many thanks!

--Cliff Jackson

FREE FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHT AT UU— "Cloudburst"

In this hilarious road movie, a spunky lesbian couple on the run from a nursing home, Dot (Brenda Fricker) and Stella (Olympia Dukakis) make their way to Canada, where same-sex marriage is legal.

Rotten Tomatoes scores this movie a perfect %100. **Join us at UUCOB on Friday, October 26, at 7 p.m.**

THE ALLIANCE—Join Us for a Fun and Productive Year Ahead

Who are we? The UUCOB Alliance was formed in 1953 as a support group serving our congregation through education, action, service and fellowship. For over 60 years, the Alliance has made significant financial and service contributions to further the congregation's goals. We also support our local community through charities such as Family Renew, Meals on Wheels and Sophie's Circle as well as the national and international community through the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. During our time together, we plan our service projects, choose Share-the-Plate offering recipients and consider various aspects of congregational life.

We raise money to fund our contributions through annual dues, raffles, sponsorship of soup lunches, the beverage bar at our potluck dinners as well as special events, meals at Easter and Christmas and donations/bequests from Alliance members. Our December sale of handmade crafts, homemade baked goods, donated jewelry and holiday items raises money for Christmas gifts for teens living in two local group homes.

The Alliance meets at noon on the FIRST Thursday of each month from October through May. (NOTE: This is a change, so please mark your calendars.) Bring a lunch at 11:30 and join us for our meeting, which begins at noon. This year, after each business meeting, Rev. Kathy will lead us in a discussion of our UU principles. We will also be planning several fun Alliance outings for celebration and fellowship. So please bring all your great ideas to our Alliance meeting **at noon on Thursday, October 4th!**

--Gaia Davies

October 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm	2 Mah Jongg: 10 am-noon Woman's Group: 1-2:30 pm Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm	3 Worship Mtg: 11 am-12:30 pm	4 Democracy Now: 10:15-noon Alliance: noon-2 pm Spiritual Growth: 4:30-6 pm Board of Trustees Mtg: 5:30-7 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm	5 Art Show set up 1st Friday Potluck 6-8:30 pm	6 Art Show continues Life-Long Learning: 10-11:30 am
7 Discussion Group: 9:15-10:15 am Sunday Service: 10:30-11:30 am Tai Chi: 4-5 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm	8 Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm	9 Writers Group: 10 am-noon Mah Jongg: 10 am -noon Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm	10 Life-Long Learning: 4-5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal: 6-7:30 pm	11 Democracy Now: 10:15- noon Finance Mtg.: 10:30 am-noon Spiritual Growth: 4:30-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm	12 Heart 4 Souls: 5-9 pm	13
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Upcoming Sunday Services

Theme for October—Sanctuary

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Presenter:</u>	<u>Service Leader:</u>
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October 7:	“Creating Sanctuary”	--Rev. Kathy Rickey	--Cliff Jackson
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October Birthdays

Penny Young-3rd
 Preston Garrison- 8th
 Joanne Kennedy-11th
 Yvonne Seiwel-11th
 Julie Hilburn-13th
 Jenny Nazak-13th

Teresa Webb-23rd
 Rosemary Burns-25th
 Jean Rasmussen-29th
 Roger Patterson-30th
 Mary Wentzel-30th



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Sunday Service: 10:30 -11:30 a.m.

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