

__This Week at UUCOB

Members and Friends of the UU Congregation of Ormond Beach



May 2, 2021

9:15 Discussion Group, Topic: “What is the greatest internal threat to democratic government?”

10:30 Service: – Barbara Sandberg, “The Missing Tile” Barbara will discuss “the missing tile syndrome” and suggest cures to overcome this condition, which can rob us of a happy life. The term came from Dennis Prager to describe how people often focus on the negative or what they don't have, rather than enjoying what they do have. They concentrate on what is missing, instead of what is there.

Service Leader: Cliff Jackson

JOYS & CONCERNS Email your joys & concerns to Rev.Kathy by Saturday to include in the Sunday service.

Sunday Service offertory donations...Your continued financial support is deeply appreciated. Your tax-deductible offertory donation may be made to UUCOB by 1: Using PayPal. You will find the donation button when you visit the UUCOB webpage <http://uuormond.org/> 2: :Sending a check to UUCOB at 56 N. Halifax Drive, Ormond Beach, FL 32176 marking the check -Offertory. Thank you very much!

[Dial-in & link plus Zoom instructions](#)

Or - Join Zoom Meeting below...

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From your Minister .

Join Zoom Lunch Meeting

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Meeting ID: 863 0878 8600

Dear All,

I have heard your yearning to be together in-person at UUCOB. The Board has approved my request to offer short, outdoor gatherings midweek. These gatherings will center around music, readings, and ritual intended to lift our spirits and provide fellowship. They will be held in the grove area just off the parking lot, adjacent to the building where the playground equipment used to be. The first of our gatherings is on **Wednesday, May 5th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. featuring Jan Taylor delighting us with her song, "Labyrinth."**

Please note that to be as safe as possible, the following are necessary:

- **All participants must be fully vaccinated.**
- **Attendance will be limited to 20 people; therefore, you must RSVP** with your intention to be there. See below for RSVP instructions.
- **Bring your own lawn chair** - no furniture is to be taken from the deck or building. Be aware that the ground in the grove is a little uneven so tread carefully. Also, **bring water** as it may be hot. Finally, if you are averse to mosquitos and No-See-Ums, **bring your own repellent.**
- **Masks will not be required** while outdoors but if you are more comfortable wearing one, please feel free to do so. Please note: the bathrooms will be open but you must have a mask on in the building.
- All scheduled gatherings are **weather permitting.**

RSVP Instructions:

You may respond to this email with your intention to attend the May 5th gathering. RSVP's will be taken on a first come, first serve basis. Should more than 20 people respond, those who didn't make it into the first 20 will get first choice for the next gathering on May 19th. **Remember, you must be fully vaccinated to RSVP!**

Please note the first 20 to RSVP for May 5th will be asked to complete a contact tracing form that asks the familiar questions of whether you have traveled in the last two weeks or had any known exposure to Covid-19, etc.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by phone, 386-846-7246.

Hoping this will be a good first in-person gathering for all who can attend...

Reverend Kathy

LIFE LONG LEARNING Program for May

Our Life-Long-Learning programs are varied and involve topics related to philosophy, history and the arts as well as science and education. Each session includes time for audience questions/comments. Although LLL programs usually take place in our church building, because of the coronavirus, our spring programs instead will be available through our new website <https://www.uuormond.info/> and featured there through Zoom on Wednesdays, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

May 12 __Origins of the New Testament __ **Jim Shoopman**

May 26 __The Philosophies & Values of our Founding Fathers __ **Tom Hilburn**

More details on each program in next week's e-News.

Member News

Arden and Marilyn Dockter have some health problems. Cheer them up by sending cards or emails. 37 Grizzly Bear Path, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. – mdockter@earthlink.net

Patty Tugas welcomes cards and phone calls. -516 Sandy Oaks Blvd., Cell: 386 846 9371

Terri Kolaska is home from Advent Hospital after having surgery. Please no phone calls, texts or emails. She welcomes cards. 32 Rio Pinar Trail OB. 32174

Member Service Offering from Phil Elliott: Even before CV19 many banks were limiting free notary services to documents signed by a customer of that bank. Finding and accessing notaries is made more difficult by the virus pandemic. I'll be glad to attempt to help (at no charge) if you should need a notary.

Letter to the editor:

In case you misses it.. **Tom Hilburn** had a letter to the editor in Daytona Beach News Journal, April 28, 2021. It is on the <https://www.uuormond.info/> website under *personal growth and spirituality*. **It can be read to you.**

May 9th



From Alliance

Family Renew Community

“Restoring hope for homeless families since 1989”

Our UUCOB and Alliance Outreach Committee are proud sponsors of Family Renew Community for the past 30 years.

These are the are some of the reasons why.

- The climb out of family homelessness is steep under any circumstances. Our hats are off to the families who moved from homelessness to permanent housing in 2020, amid the additional challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Twenty-six families overcame homelessness last year with help from Family Renew Community.
- Here are some more impressive numbers about the families who ended their stay at our three residential campuses during the above times.
- 18 of these families significantly increased household income during their stay with us;
- parent in 20 of these families received more education or formal vocational training during their stay with us, boosting their lifelong earning potential;
- 20 of these families substantially increased their savings in a bank account during their stay;
- 22 of these families paid down debt or maintained no debt during their stay.
- Every six months, Family Renew Community reviews the housing status of every family who has moved on from our transitional housing since Jan. 1, 2017.
- When we checked in January, 96 percent of our families, avoided a return to homelessness in the subsequent months and years.
- THESE ARE LOVELY NUMBERS TO SHARE !!! Please help us continue on this path. DONATE, if you are able !!!!
--Submitted by Terri Kolaska

From Your President

Reminder:

Anyone wishing to schedule an event on the deck or outdoor grounds needs to schedule the event with Cathy Jackson. We want to avoid 2 or more groups meeting in the same place at the same time.

I have been asked questions in the past few months about reopening. Some folks want to reopen as soon as they themselves are fully vaccinated, family members wonder why their loved one cannot go to a physical church service when other churches in Florida are open. Others say to me that they may not return to an actual church service because of physical limitations but are very happy and feel included in the virtual services.

So, there are 2 issues

1. We need to create Sunday service which is suitable for in person as well as in home viewing (hybrid)
2. We also need a set of guidelines which members may consider when deciding to return to in person services

The board began working on these dilemmas a few months ago with the goal of offering a hybrid service which would allow in home and in person service attendance with a reasonable quality of production. We were not looking for perfection but working toward managing a nicely produced service in person and at home. Thus far, we have worked within the budget and are working out the “bugs” using our creativity to manage within the confines of our financial structure. So far so good. As UU’s we can’t help ourselves. We work by committees. So, to accomplish these goals, the BOT authorized 2 ad hoc committees

1. The A/V Committee headed by Felix Fernandez in close consultation with Cliff Jackson and Kathryn Neel. This committee has been functioning for several months researching electronic hardware and updating equipment as well as software.
The A/V committee will be making further recommendations regarding equipment and volunteers needed to produce a virtual and in person Sunday service.
2. Reopening Committee is Co-chaired by our Membership Chair Rebecca Caschette and our Building and Grounds Co-chair Susan Garrison. The BOT authorized the formation of this committee at the last BOT meeting. As the committee reviews the issues of a safe reopening they may draw in additional members.
The Reopening committee will look specifically at the health issues surrounding in person services and make their recommendations.

The proposed budget will be presented at the annual meeting on May 6, 2021 and will include any funds needed to accomplish the goal of in person and virtual Sunday Services.

I would like everyone to be pleased with the services options No one should feel compelled to come to the physical church if there are health concerns. As always, if you are sniffy, sneezy or in anyway “under the weather” please enjoy the service in a virtual manor.

Please e mail me with your questions. I ask this because this will enable me to write a response for e news and give everyone the opportunity to hear the response and hopefully e mail me with more questions. I also can give a more thoughtful answer when I read and ponder the response and may consult with others if I do not know an answer to a specific question.

Thank you

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Questions or comments? If you have questions or comments about our new website, please send your email to Julie Hilburn <juliehilburn26@gmail.com> and Ludy Goodson <songsavor@hotmail.com>.

In case you would like to learn more about ADA Compliance you can access the following link to get more information. <https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-1-d&q=ada+compliance+website>

Featured member? We will soon be looking for a *featured member* for the Web site. Please nominate a current member to be featured on the front page of the UUCOB WEB Page. The name will be randomly drawn by the Web TEAM; we will then contact the lucky person and work with the individual to produce the article. The articles will not go away but stay for all to enjoy. *Julie Hilburn and Ludy Goodson*

"John Horner is chair of the DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. Please contact John for additional and updated information regarding DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS at jhoner100@gmail.com."

You can also browse the UUA’s main website, where you will be able to learn about latest updates on our National and International UUA Organization. It is worth navigating through that website now and then for anyone potentially interested in becoming a leader in the own local UU congregation. www.UUA.org

Live Opportunities



From Reinhold Schlieper: In-Person films for May at the African American Cultural Society. Click on the link. All are welcome, but proper distancing and masks will be required.

<https://aacspalmcoast.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=eaa0e495d38645591697eb29b&id=a1dc82701c&e=d7e95a5875>

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING--The meeting will take place **May 20, 2021** at 5:30 p.m. UU members are encouraged to attend. If you wish to attend, please contact - President Julie Hilburn <juliehilburn6@gmail.com> for the Zoom connection to the meeting.

UUCOB MISSION

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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Office hours: Monday & Wednesday, 8:00-1:00; Tuesday & Thursday 2:00 - 6:30 p.m.

NOTE: Please remember that Cathy Jackson works from home during the above hours until further notice, and she will not be physically in the office. She will respond to you by checking voice-mail and emails. Thank you for your understanding.

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