

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST Fellowship of Bay County



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Saturday, July 31, 2021 **UUFBC E-News** Edition 3, July 2021-June 2022

Greetings to all of our members. We are pleased that Reverend Ruth has provided us with a letter of introduction to share with our congregation. Her letter follows. Many blessings to all, The UUFBC Board of Directors: Bob Gilmore, John Shaffer, Lynne Siegfried, Bob Nixon, Janet Cross, and Matt Raver.

Reverend Ruth Vann Lillian

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Tuscaloosa
6400 New Watermelon Road Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35409

July 30, 2021

Dear Friends,

I am writing to introduce myself and express my tremendous excitement at the prospect of joining you soon to begin our new shared ministry! I am honored that your trustees have voted to bring me on board and humbled by their faith in my ability to serve this marvelous congregation! I believe Unitarian Universalism can change the world and I am thrilled to begin that extraordinary work with all of you!

I invite you to review my professional website, www.revruth.org to learn more about me and my philosophy and practice of parish ministry. Take a glance at a few photos of me in action! The password is "uonthebeach".

I am married to Bill Malone, a retired internet technician for the University of Alabama at Birmingham, and we have two wonderful sons: Liam, 20, is a junior at Birmingham-Southern College and Angus, 18, has severe Cerebral Palsy and teaches us daily about what really matters in life. Because Angus doesn't travel well in warm weather, it may be a while before my guys will be able to come meet everyone,

I am looking forward to staying on the panhandle and getting to know the area and all of you! I have spent many happy family vacations close by!

As the trustees lead us in a careful and intentional re-opening process, we have a lot to look forward to! This is great time to re-discover what makes this congregation so amazing and also to try some new approaches to effective UU ministry both within and without our walls! Together we will renew and revitalize Unitarian Universalism in our area and continue our vital work of repairing the world! See you in August!

Faithfully, your new minister,

Rev. Ruth



Upcoming Events and Services:

Worship Services Please Note: There will be no Sunday worship services on August 1st, 8th, 15th or 22nd. The next service will be held on August 28th with Reverend Ruth Vann Lillian. During the month of August, there will be several Fellowship-wide events for all who would like to attend. See the events described below.

Events

Chipola River Paddle

Sunday, August 8th

7:30 AM



Join Charissa Thacker who will be paddling on the beautiful Chipola River, just south of Marianna. You are welcome to bring your own kayak/canoe or you can rent one from the Bear Paw Adventures livery. They will also provide shuttle service of all boats and passengers. You can learn more about the livery at "BearPawEscape.com".

We will meet at the UU Fellowship at 7:30 AM and caravan over to the livery. Rentals are a first come first serve basis, so we need to arrive as early as possible. For more information, go to our website, "uufbaycounty.com". If you have questions, please contact Charissa at Charissa.Thacker@yahoo.com.

Travel Time: 1 hour each way

River Time: 2-3 hours

Total Time: 5 hours

Kayak Rental: \$35 – Singles paddlers only

Canoe Rentals: \$50 – Up to two people

Other things to bring...

- Waterproof Bag
- Sunscreen
- Drinking Water
- Towel
- Small bag to pack out your trash
- Water Shoes
- Light Lunch/Snacks
- Hat
- Change of clothes
- Bug Spray

****Please, NO GLASS ITEMS!!**



Events continued

Game Night

Saturday, August 21st

6:30 PM



Janet Cross will be hosting UUFBC Game Night on Saturday August 21 at the UU Fellowship. All the fun starts at 6:30 PM. Who knows when it will end?! We will be playing "Left, Right, Center"...no skills needed! Bring \$2 in nickels. Bring your own drink if you wish...we will have water, coffee and light snacks available. Note: This will be an indoor event. Please stay home if you are not feeling well and wear a mask if you have not yet been fully vaccinated.

Joys and Concerns: Please keep Georgia Beauchemin in your thoughts and reach out to her when you have an opportunity. Georgia's husband Fred, long-time member of our Fellowship, passed away on Sunday, July 11th.

Need Information?

Contact the Fellowship at info@uufbaycounty.com or call us at 850-615-4127 for more information about our services or events, or with any question you may have. Please let us know if you have a joy or a concern that the Service Leader may share during our Sunday worship service. Also let us know if you have an article, a poem, or a picture that you would like to submit for publication in this newsletter.

Stay safe and Be Well

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Issue 3, Attachment

Several weeks ago, UUFBC was privileged to have JoAnn Weatherford as our guest for a virtual worship service presentation. She is the founder of the nonprofit organization, Keep Panama City Beach Beautiful. Ms. Weatherford has compiled this Recycle List and made it available to us. Please print the list and keep it for your reference.

Where to Recycle in Bay County



PUBLIX

PLASTIC

Accepted:

Plastic overwrap from toilet paper, napkins, and paper towels

Overwrap from shipping cases

Zip-top and other resealable bags (without the zipper)

Pharmacy, bread, and produce bags

Cereal bags (not the ones that come in a box)

Dry cleaning bags/protective plastic

Newspaper sleeves

Ice bags, salt bags, and wood pellet bags

Air pillows

Clean and dry cling wrap and #2 and #4 soft plastics

Not accepted:

Drinking bottles or jugs

Rigid containers or Clamshell food containers

PAPER

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Accepted:

Paper bags

Newspapers

Ad inserts

Publix Aprons® recipe cards

We do not accept:

Fast food bags with food

Drinking cups

Hardcover books

FOAM

We accept:

Foam egg cartons

Clean takeout trays

Clean cups

Clean and dry Styrofoam, including meat trays, egg cartons, and cups

We do not accept:

Paper or plastic egg cartons

Takeout trays with food

Cups with lids and straws

Packing peanuts

TARGET

Plastic bags

Cellphones

Glass bottles

Ink Cartridges

Aluminum Cans

MP3 Players

Plastic water and soda bottles

LOWES

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Batteries, Alkaline, Household (AA, AAA C, D, 9V), Lithium-ion

Lighting, Compact Fluorescent Bulb (CFL)

Lighting, Florescent Tubes, LED Bulbs

Plastic Single use (grocery bag)

HOME DEPOT

Compact fluorescent lights

In 2009, The Home Depot started a recycling program for plastic plant containers that reuses and recycles the plastic pots that hold flowers, plants, bushes and trees. At all The Home Depot Garden Centers nationwide, customers can bring back their empty pots for growers to refill.

WINN DIXIE

Single use plastic bags

BEST BUY

Electronics Recycling

Televisions

Computers/Laptops/Printers

Cell phones, radios, and other small electronics

Ink and Toner

Audio Equipment