



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF VENICE



# CONNECTION

November

2024

 **WELCOME!**



*Join us for our Sunday 10 am service live in our Sanctuary, or online at [www.UUCOV.org](http://www.UUCOV.org).*



## President's Message

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## Minister's MUUsings

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*Help us add even more beauty to our worship services*  
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A reminder that members of the congregation can pre-order a plaque for the UUCOV Memorial Wall for a fee of \$500. This includes engraving your name, birth and death dates, and ensures ongoing care for the Wall and Garden. For questions, please contact [Dave Williams](#) or [Eileen Leapley](#).



# wish list

Enhancing handicap accessible campus parking...  
because It is becoming necessary for so many of us!

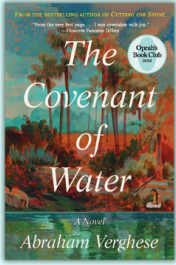
**During the church roadway repaving project, the opportunity was seized to enhance accessible parking because it offered very significant savings over doing it separately and later...and to seek Wish List funding for the \$14,600 cost.**

**\$11,300 has been contributed by generous Wish List donors. \$3,300 remains.**  
**Your donation of any amount will support our accessible campus parking, which benefits so many of us**

Questions?- call/text: Bill Dowling @ 941-228-3716



You may have wondered about some of the ways that you can be of service to UUCOV. One way is to check out our signup table on the lanai. You will see several signup sheets, such as Refreshment Table helper, or donating flowers on the pulpit on a Sunday. You may want to consider volunteering at the Welcome Table, which is a great way to meet visitors, members, and friends.  
To learn more about the various ways that you can serve UUCOV, please contact [Eileen Leapley](#)



# Book Club

Join us as our Book Group reconvenes on Thursday, November 14, at 1 pm in Waters Hall. This season, we're diving into The Covenant of Water by New York Times bestselling author Abraham Verghese, known for *Cutting for Stone*. Set in Kerala, South India, this epic tale spans three generations of a family as they unravel a mysterious secret, blending themes of love, faith, and medicine. Don't miss out on this captivating journey—come ready to discuss and discover!



## Choir Season is here!

Choir season '24-'25 will feature a team of directors and a slightly lighter schedule. The theme is team! Please respond to the singer survey. If you didn't get one, contact the office to be put on the list.

## The Auction Is Coming!

UUCOV's fundraising auction will be held on January 24th. Our auction planning team is looking for donations of services, art and jewelry. Donation forms are on the lanai. Please return your completed form(s) to Janet Knudsen or Moe Morison



## Help Us Choose the Charities We Support

Community Outreach is seeking recommendations for the local 501(c)(3) charities we'll support via special collections over the next two years. Please pick up a nominating form on the lanai and return your completed form to the drop box. A small committee will consider each recommendation and decide on a list of nominations to present to the congregation at the annual meeting in March.



## CHAPs Collection on the Lanai Nov 3 and 10

CHAPs provides food and hygiene items free of charge to people in need living with HIV/AIDS and their dependents. We will collect hygiene products for CHAPs on the lanai on Nov 3 and 10.

Please pick up a list of requested items and place your purchases in the box on the lanai. If you would prefer to write a check, you may make it out to UUCOV and write CHAPs in the memo line.



## Support Good Samaritan on November 10th

Our monthly special collection on November 10th will benefit Good Samaritan Pharmacy & Health Services. Good Samaritan provides free medication and medical services to uninsured members of our community. Checks can be made out to UUCOV with Good Samaritan written on the memo line.



## Mat Makers Welcome Back Snowbirds!

A small but enthusiastic group of mat makers has met all Summer. Now, we're ready to welcome back our flock of snowbirds with open arms (and coffee and muffins!) This month we'll meet on Nov 2 and 16 from 10 to noon in Water's Hall. Please bring your favorite scissors. If you want more info, contact [Carol Wight](#) or [Janet Knudsen](#)

## Green Tip of the Month



"Most of us generate more planet-warming emissions from eating than we do from driving or flying. Food production now accounts for about a fifth of total greenhouse gas emissions annually, which means that agriculture contributes more than any other sector, including energy and transportation, to climate change." Amanda Little, *The Fate of Food: What We'll Eat in a Bigger, Hotter, Smarter World*

Even small changes in food habits – eating and shopping – make a difference. Buy what you will consume. Use glass containers for leftovers. Consider attending a Meatless Monday potluck. Try a new plant based recipe and share a picture on In-Touch UUCOV.



## Writers Club has Returned!

Our writers club will meet every third Monday at 1pm at the Waters Hall Library. Please [contact our office](#) for details



We are still in need of volunteers to help with refreshments. Your role includes keeping the cold drinks stocked, making coffee, and providing baked goods before the service. We'll cover your expenses. If interested, please contact [Eileen Leapley](#) or [Jean Barlow](#)

## Happening this month:

- Mat Makers Club- Nov. 2 & 16-10am
- Arts & Crafts: Nov. 8 & 22-1pm
- Men's Fellowship: Nov 9 & 23-10am
- Bumbling Through the Bible with Rev. Amy P. Shaw: Nov. 12,19,26-1pm
- Death and Grief Support Group: Nov. 13 & 27-1:30pm


For more events and information, please visit our [website](#) or sign up for Breeze



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encouraging spiritual growth,  
seeking meaning, and pursuing justice.*


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