



CONNECTION

July

2025



Join us for our Sunday 10 am service live in our Sanctuary
Or online at www.uucov.org



Please Note: The UUCOV Office will be closed on Friday, July 4th to celebrate Independence Day!



**STAY TUNED NEXT MONTH FOR:
Minister's MUUsings
President's message**

Rev. Amy and Steve Leapley are taking some much needed time off. They will return with articles on the August Connection!



NEED TO SCHEDULE A MEETING OR GROUP?



[Click here](#) to fill out a quick and easy form with some details of your group such as dates and what area you would like to book, and Ayleen will contact you to confirm availability!

FLOWERS FOR THE PULPIT



Sprinkle some extra sparkle on our worship services! Click [HERE](#) to find out how you can help us make it even more beautiful!



This month's special offering on July 13th will support the South County Food Pantry.

Please contribute generously and help fill the two food pantry bins on the lanai. Thank you for your support!

Collection for The TWIG was a big success!

Thanks to everyone who supported our June collection of back-to-school clothes for the TWIG. Your generosity will bring joy to many foster children.



Board of Trustees June 12th Meeting Highlights:

- Summer activities, including mat making, arts and crafts, and new events such as trivia nights and computer tips, continue at UUCOV.
- A proposal to connect to Venice's reclaimed water system was added to the Wish List to support our drought-strained gardens.
- The Coordinating Council approved hiring a sexton and purchasing a ride-on mower to replace outside lawn services.

Click [HERE](#) to read the full meeting minutes

Coordinating Council June 3rd Meeting Highlights:

- A proposal for irrigation is approved.
- We will conduct a search for a part-time sexton.
- We approved hiring our temp office assistant as a part-time Assistant Office Manager.

Click [HERE](#) to read the full meeting minutes and visit the "[Members Only](#)" section of our website for Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee Minutes

DID YOU KNOW? YOUR UUCOV LIBRARY IS OPEN!

Our inviting library is accessible to everyone. Whether you're in search of wisdom, a spark of wonder, or simply a weekend read, you are bound to discover something special here. Our collection is filled with books that cater to curious minds and open hearts.



Explore our virtual
Library by clicking [HERE](#)

Would you like to contribute to making our library even cozier and encourage more visitors to read? We are in need of a 9x12 rug! If you're interested in donating, please reach out to Cathay Keough.

JOIN OUR LEGACY FRIENDS

Support UUCOV now and for generations to come. By becoming a Legacy Friend, you help plant the seeds for a vibrant future. A true act of generosity symbolized by planting trees whose shade you may never sit under. [Click here to leave a lasting impact today!](#)



JOIN THE FUN AT MAT-MAKING!

We'd love to teach you how to fold and cut the plastic bags that we crochet into sleeping mats for the homeless. If you'd like to learn to crochet, we'll teach you that, too!

We'll meet this month on Saturday, July 5th and 19th in Waters Hall from 10 a.m. to noon. Questions? See Janet Knudsen.



Join Us for Games

2nd & 4th Wednesdays
1:30 - 3:00 pm
Waters Hall



Questions?
Contact Marcia Smith

Save the Date...

Monday July 14
7-9 pm

**TRIVIA
NIGHT**



UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
BALTIMORE • JUNE 18 - 22, 2025

Catch up on highlights from this year's UUA General Assembly in Baltimore, including key actions, awards, and a look ahead to 2026 and beyond. A great thank you to Pat Wellington for compiling the details!

[Click here to read more](#)

SUMMER DINING PROGRAM

Join us for good food and great company! Our next Summer Dining gathering is scheduled for July 29th at Banyan House.

All are welcome.

[Click here to read more and sign up!](#)



WISH LIST

\$3500 FOR IRRIGATION SYSTEM



Help us keep our campus green and thriving! We wish to connect our irrigation system to the City of Venice’s reclaimed water supply – providing a more reliable and environmentally friendly way to care for our grounds, even during the driest seasons.

The cost for this project is \$3,500. Your support will help us be good stewards of our environment and keep our campus looking its best all year long.

[Click here to learn more](#)

WISH GRANTED!

Many thanks to John and Jean Spitzer for purchasing the Meeting OWL as well as two TVs for our UUCOV Campus! These items will make our meetings and gatherings so much easier and more connected, especially to our friends who are up north during the summer months.

GET TO KNOW OUR CONGREGANTS

Pauline Adams

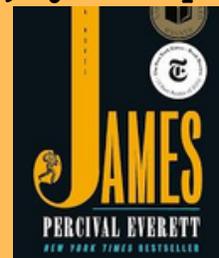


Get to know Pauline!. From Chicago roots to a life of service, nature, and community on the Gulf Coast

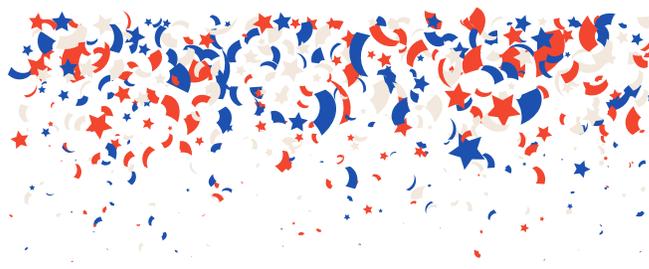
Click [HERE](#) to read more

UUCOV Book Club

July 10 at 1pm



This month’s Book Club selection is “James” by Percival Everett. Please contact Anna Drallios for more information



Depression Bipolar Support Group (DBS)

Every Thursday at 7pm
Waters Hall



A free, peer-led group for anyone living with mood disorders, and their supportive loved ones. Click [HERE](#) to learn more

Death Cafe

July 26 - 2pm
Waters Hall



A friendly gathering to talk openly about death over coffee and treats, sharing thoughts, feelings, and hopes to help us live more fully.

For more information, contact Eileen Leapley or Cathay Keough

July Calendar

(meetings are in Waters Hall unless specified)

- Death and Grief Support July 2 - 2 pm
- Ladies Open Gathering: July 3 - Noon to 4 pm (Last meeting until September!)
- Mat Making: July 5 - 10 am
- Meatless Monday- July 7 - 5 pm
- Freethinkers of Venice Secular AA Meeting: July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 - 6:30 pm
- Summer Games: July 9 - 1:30 pm
- Book Club: July 10 - 1 pm
- Men's Open Group: July 12 & 26 - 10 am
- Trivia Night: July 14 - 7 pm
- Arts & Crafts: July 25 - Noon
- Death Cafe: July 26 - 2 pm
- Summer Dining Group: July 29 - 6:30 pm

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WE BELIEVE:

NO HUMAN IS ILLEGAL

LOVE IS LOVE

SCIENCE IS REAL

BLACK LIVES MATTER

WOMEN SHOULD CONTROL THEIR OWN BODIES

IN SEPARATION OF CHURCH & STATE

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