

**Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Venice**

Sunday, July 5, 2026

**Worship Leader – Will Esty**

**“Pride”**

**Worship Associate – Janet Knudsen**

**Pianist – Lise Frank**

**Music Before the Service** ..... Lise Frank  
**Things You Should Know** ..... Jean Spitzer  
**Sounding the Singing Bowl** ..... Jean Spitzer  
**Chalice Lighting** Jean Spitzer..... “Untitled,” by Marta I. Valentin  
**Welcome** ..... Jean Spitzer  
**Prelude** Lise Frank ..... “Fife and Drum” by C. Hardinge  
**Gathering Hymn** Janet Knudsen. .... #95 “*There Is More Love Somewhere*”  
**Offering Words** ..... Will Esty  
**Offertory Music** Lise Frank ..... #402 “*From You I Receive*”  
**Celebrations and Sorrows** ..... Will Esty  
**Reading** Jean Spitzer ..... “Untitled,” by James Baldwin  
**Meditation** Janet Knudsen ..... “Empathy Is a Choice We Make” by Leslie Jamison  
**Interlude** Will Esty ..... “Prelude no. 2” by Gershwin  
**Reading** Will Esty ..... From “Up Until This Day,” by Shane Koyczan  
**Centering Hymn** Will Esty ..... #100 (in our Teal hymnal)  
..... “*I’ve Got Peace Like a River*” (v 1-4)  
**Sermon** Will Esty..... “Pride”  
**Extinguish the Chalice** ..... Will Esty  
**Closing Hymn** Will Esty ..... #100 “*This Little Light of Mine*”  
**Benediction** ..... Will Esty  
**Postlude** Lise Frank..... “*May Love Surround You*”

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**\*Welcome Visitor! Our gray and teal Hymnals are in the bookcases just inside the doors to the sanctuary. Please free to borrow one for the service as we make music together.**

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**Reminder: Sarasota School Board Elections are on August 18. Be sure to plan for early voting.**

**Write postcards to Black voters in NC to urge for In-Person Early Voting. Every Sunday 7/5 - 10/11/26, 11:30 at Waters Hall.**

**Please bring NON-PERISHABLE food and paper goods for the Food Bank hampers on the lanai. SRQ UU will coordinate delivery; monetary donations may be made at UUSRQ.org under Social Justice: Food.**

**Women’s hygiene products are also needed for Neighbors in Need.**

**Here’s What’s Happening at UUCOV This Week  
(All Meetings are in Waters Hall, except where noted.)**

**Today, Sunday, July 5**

10:00 am – Sunday Service (*Sanctuary*)

11:00 am – Refreshments & Conversation (*Lanai*)

**Monday, July 6**

1:00 pm – Mahjongg Learn/Play

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm – Meatless Monday

**Tuesday, July 7**

9:30 am – 11:30 am – Coordinating Council Meeting

10:00 am – Noon – Library Hours

6:30 pm – *Free Thinkers of Venice Secular AA Meeting\**

**Wednesday, July 8**

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm – HR Meeting

One Hour before Sunset - Sunset Beach Gathering at

Service Club Beach - Contact Thom Reeves for Info

**Thursday, July 9**

5:45 am – *AA Meeting*

6:30 pm – *Free Thinkers of Venice Secular AA Meeting*

**Friday, July 10**

**Saturday, July 11**

10:00 am – Noon – Men’s Open Group

10:00 am – 4:00 pm – *Blue Lotus Meditation Event. (Sanctuary)*

**Sunday, June 7**

10:00 am – Sunday Service (*Sanctuary*)

11:00 am – Refreshments & Conversation (*Lanai*)

*\*Italicized activities indicate non-UU sponsored events.*