



CONNECTION

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

Ministers MUUsings



[Click here to read this month's Minister's MUUsings](#)

President's Message

[Click here to read Marcia Smith's message for August](#)



Stay Tuned!

On Wednesday, August 5th, at 9:00 AM, Richard Cannarelli will be a guest on the morning show of WSLR.org , Fogartyville radio.

The discussion topic will be Separation of Church and State

Meeting Minutes

Highlights:

- Waters Hall Lanai Roof was repaired on 7/17
- Zebra crossing between Asta Linder and Waters Hall was completed
- The automatic doors in the Sanctuary will be completed on August 4

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- The Waters Hall renovation discussions are ongoing. Thank you to all who participated in the survey!
- Membership team recommended a "mentor" program for new members.
- Reminder to contact the Caring Team when someone is ill or in the hospital.

[Click here for full Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes](#)



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Message from our Caring Team



The UUCOV Caring Team is here to support anyone in need within the congregation, whether it's for rides, meals, visits, or phone calls. If someone is hospitalized, please get in touch with Eileen Leapley at 941-525-4328, who will inform Rev. Amy and the Caring Team. If you're interested in assisting congregants, please reach out to Eileen. Caring for one another is central to UUCOV.

Investing in Tomorrow, Beginning Today

By Bill Reynolds



One of the greatest strengths of UUCOV is that we rarely think only about today. We care deeply about the future of this remarkable community and the people who will one day walk through our doors seeking friendship, spiritual growth, creativity, and purpose...**[Click here to read the full article.](#)**

Update Your Breeze Information



Breeze is UUCOV's digital directory for members and friends. It's a great time to update your Breeze profile!

Please send us an updated photo or let us know if you'd like one taken. If you don't have a bio, consider adding one to help the community connect. Also, check that your address and contact info are current. Need assistance? Reach out to the office — we're here to help. Plus, starting this fall, the UUCOV library will offer hands-on digital support for Breeze and our website!

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You're Invited to Mat Making on Aug 1 and 15



Please stop by to visit with UUCOV's fun and friendly mat makers on August 1 and 15 from 10 to noon in Waters Hall. We'll show you how we turn plastic bags into sleeping mats for the unhoused. Refreshments are served!

Special Offering: ALSO Youth August 9



Our special offering on August 9 will support ALSO Youth, which has aided LGBTQ+ youth and their families in Sarasota and Manatee Counties for over 30 years. Their services include peer support, scholarships, counseling, and social events. Please contribute generously, and if writing a check, make it out to UUCOV with "ALSO Youth" in the memo.

Library Update

The dog days of summer are a natural time to slow down, take it easy, and stay inside. It gives us permission to turn inward and a chance to catch up on some reading and exploring.

The UUCOV Library (and its Little Free Library) are great resources for our community. The library offers grab-and-go options with puzzles (on UUCOV Library's shelves) and fiction (in the Little Free Library).

The Unitarian Universalists' Fourth Principle states: "A free and responsible search for truth and meaning."

Libraries bring that about in many ways!

[Click here to read the full article.](#)





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August Green Tip

Living a green lifestyle is important because it helps create a sustainable environment for current and future generations. Sustaining the world's natural resources does not happen overnight, but it is an individual choice that we all have to make. From clothing to cleaning products, what you purchase has an impact. Discover how to identify and choose eco-friendly products that have a lower environmental impact. Learn about the benefits of minimalism and making thoughtful, ethical purchases.



Social Justice Update

July was filled with meaningful action and community involvement! Our postcard campaign united members to write supportive messages for civic participation, showing that small acts can lead to significant change. We also hosted a screening of the documentary “Running to Stand Still,” which drew an engaged audience, including Congress hopeful Matthew Montavon and members of Pueblo Unido. This highlighted storytelling's power to foster understanding and inspire action. Looking ahead, we invite new members to join the Social Justice Team to advocate for justice and equity, regardless of available time. Together, we can create a more compassionate community. Contact office@uucov.org for more information.



UPCOMING EVENTS

A photograph of the Deep Lagoon Seafood & Oyster House building, a modern structure with a blue and white facade and a prominent staircase. The building is the background for the event announcement.


SUMMER
Dining

— NEXT —
AUGUST 25

 **DEEP LAGOON**
482 Blackburn Point Rd
Osprey

 **4:30 PM**

Sign up sheet
in Lanai.
or contact Pam Palmer

All meetings and gatherings take place in Waters Hall, unless otherwise noted

Summer Dining: Aug. 25 - 4:30 PM (Deep Lagoon Restaurant)



A welcoming, caring community encouraging spiritual growth, seeking meaning, and pursuing justice.



Services are Sunday at
10 am at our Sanctuary,
or live on our [website](#) or
[YouTube](#) page

