

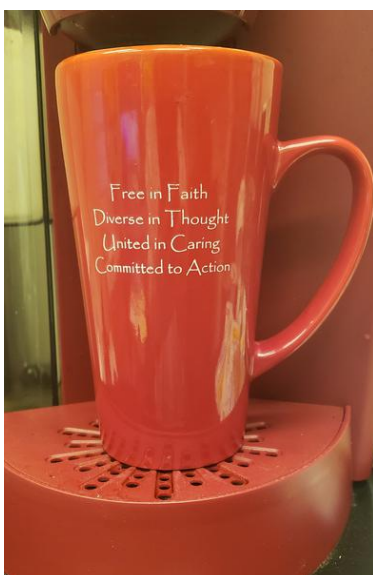


Board Corner

From your Denominational Connections
team:

Did you know.....?
There are many ways in which we are
linked to other UUs.

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From the minister...

Reverend Edith A. Love



Rev. Edith Love's Summer Schedule May – August 2025

Rev. Love is representing UUFBR at General Assembly and SUUSI in June and July

May 2025

- May 5-7: Available *virtually* for meetings and appointments
- May 10-14: *In Florida* – appointments available May 12-14
- May 19-21: Available *virtually* for meetings and appointments
- May 26-28: *In Florida* – appointments available
- Preaching in Florida: May 11 & May 26

June 2025

- June 9-15: *In Florida*
- June 16-18: Attending General Assembly Ministry Days for Ministers
- June 18-22: Representing at General Assembly 2025
- June 24 – July 9: *Back in Florida* – available for appointments

July 2025

- July 13-16: *In Florida* – available for appointments
- July 20-27: Representing at SUUSI 2025
- July 28 – August 6: *Back in Florida* – available for appointments





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Congregational polity allows us to choose our own ministers, our own trustees, and create our own visions, missions, and policies for our congregations. Each congregation might even follow a preferred shared spiritual practice among the many spiritual practices we welcome. But UUs share values in common.

We speak often of our connection to Unitarian Universalist Association—the larger body in which UU congregations are aligned. Within the UUA are many additional groups that link us together. Some examples are UU Ministry for Earth, UU Service Committee, Side With Love, xx. All are open to us.

Closer to home, are our regional UU networks. Florida is in the Southern Region which includes states from Virginia to Texas.

Within the UU State Action Networks, each state has a justice network. For example, in Florida anyone or any congregation can join UU Justice Florida or get info on their efforts at

<https://uujusticefl.org/take-action/>



UU Justice Florida

May Worship Service Schedule

5/4 "The Invisible Pillars of the Heavens" with Pagan Study Group

The first days of May are time to mark the end of spring and the arrival of summer. In ancient times, it was celebrated with Beltane, bonfires, and dancing around the Maypole. In modern times, we have a different type of tentpole in Nature: dark matter, discovered by astronomer Vera Rubin. This Sunday, we will call the quarters and honor Dr. Rubin 🌸✨. Then we invite you to join the dance and weave or wave ribbons as you are able during coffee hour.

5/11 "Honoring the Origin" with Rev. Edith Love

Reverend Love shares her thoughts on the national holiday.

5/18 "When the Well Is Deep and You Have No Bucket"

Working from a little-understood story in the Gospel of John commonly called "the woman at the well," this sermon explores what it might mean for the wisest of teachers to sit and learn from exactly the person they were meant to ignore or discount entirely.

5/25 "Unique In All The World" with Rev. Edith Love

Join us as we celebrate our annual flower communion, welcome new members to our living tradition. and explore how precious and beautiful every single human life is. 🌸🌻🌺 Flower Communion is more than a simple exchange of blooms. It symbolizes our commitment to creating a spiritual home where all are free to follow their own path of truth and meaning, where differences are celebrated. Our community gathers for the beloved Unitarian Universalist tradition of Flower Communion, a ceremony that holds special meaning in the history of our faith.

INVITATION: Please bring flowers to share during Flower Communion on Sunday, May 25th, from your own gardens, yards, or roadside

Share the Plate Offering



The Institute for Regional Conservation (IRC) is headquartered in Delray Beach and is dedicated to the protection, restoration, and long-term management of biodiversity on a regional basis, and to the prevention of local extinctions of rare plants, animals and ecosystems.

Founded in 1984, IRC promotes an innovative approach to conservation. They seek to protect - and restore - viable populations of all native plant and animal species within key regions by designing conservation strategies powered by rich, geographically-distributed data.

They have several current initiatives, and they sponsor local volunteer clean-up efforts. They aim to "restore the link between people and nature."

To learn more please go to their website the [Institute for Regional Conservation](https://www.instituteforregionalconservation.org/).



Donate using link

<https://donorbox.org/support-uufbr> or QR code

"Please write Share the Plate in the comment section when you make your online gift."



Many many thanks to Claire Hellweg for her valiant and unflagging service to UUFBR.

From January to April, Claire not only made and served coffee every Sunday, but continually improved and updated the way we provide hospitality. Last year, Claire brought us beautiful beaded hotplates and vintage creamers, and this year, a new accessible stand for coffee cups and add-ins, and many snap- top air-tight storage containers for our growing supply of snacks.. I will miss her and the capital "H" Hospitality with which she greeted us all every week.

Safe travels, and safe home Claire and John.

Rona



All are welcome to join UUFBF's Healing Justice group. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

You can make your voice heard now on issues important to you, including defending democracy. Visit this site and download this app: 5 Calls

We're focusing on four areas:

- ✦ Racial Justice
- ✦ LGBTQ Justice
- ✦ Reproductive Justice
- ✦ P.E.A.C.E. (People Engaged in Active Community Efforts)

✦ Upcoming Events ✦

A talk with Jessica Hatem of



Mark your calendar for Sunday, May 18th after the service for our special guest [speaker from EMA](#). EMA helps women in Florida with few resources access reproductive healthcare.

- Invite your friends to this talk and Q&A session!
- Every contribution given to EMA in March, April and May will be matched by their national organization

Collecting Comfort Items

During the month of May Healing Justice will be collecting items that we will bundle into travel kits for women leaving the state to obtain reproductive health care. Please look for the bin on Sunday morning and drop off any items you would like to donate. We'll have a packing party in June.

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|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| • Motion sickness meds | • Lotion | • A nice note/card |
| • Hand sanitizer | • Comb | • A journal |
| • Ginger candy | • Maxi Pads | • \$20 Visa cards |
| • Ibuprofen | • Heating pad | • Party favor gift bags |
| • Tooth brush | • Non caffeinated tea | |
| • Tooth paste | • Wet wipes | |

Save the dates!

Delray Pride Festival and Concert - Saturday, June 14th 4:00 - 7:00 pm Festival and 7:30 pm Concert

Pride Music Bingo - Saturday, June 28th 7:00 pm at UUFBR

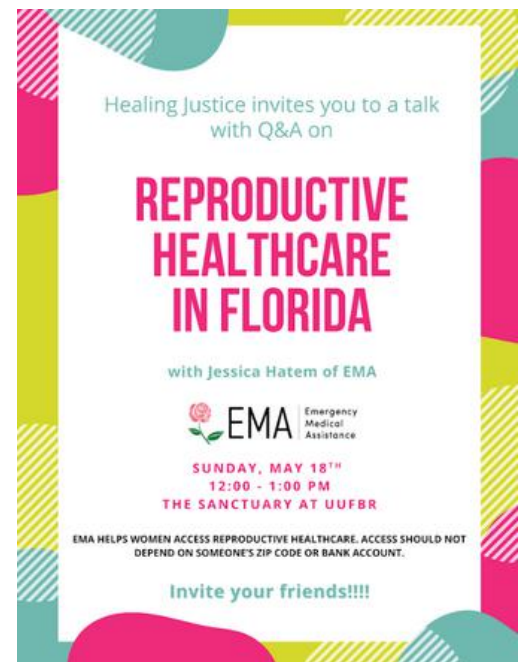


Coming Soon!

This summer we will be hosting a six part video series called **Race, the Power of An Illusion** with discussions following each video led by Reverend Love.

UUA Justice Work:

The **UUA Side With Love** initiative provides a weekly update on several justice action areas. Here is the link: **UUA Side With Love Action Updates**



"IT Team Monthly Reminders

- Have UUFBR-related technology issues or questions? Email the IT Team itteam@uufbr.org.
- Need to make a change to the website? Email the web team at website@uufbr.org.
- Need to find the online member directory? Go to the Empower Directory at <https://uufbr.empowerchms.com/Members/>.
- Need to login to the Members only portion of the UUFBR website? Click on the Member Login option under the menu in the top right corner. If you do not remember your password, click Lost your password? at the bottom of the page. If you find out that you do not have an account, please email the IT Team and we can create one for you.
- Need to know more about scheduling Zoom meetings? Check out the Google Document, "[Scheduling Zoom Meetings](#)" The IT Team can email you a link to this document upon request."
- If you need a 6 digit code for Zoom signin call Mary, Rajeev or Dave.

Thank you,
It Team



Committees & Elected Roles

ZOOM links & descriptions

Board of Trustees

1st Thursday at 7:00 pm
Rajeev Arora, Claire Smith
copresidents@uufbr.org

Use this link to join on Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 937 6853 4897 Passcode: 114338

Endowment Committee

2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm
Group Contact: Mitch Major: mitchmajor@earthlink.net
The Endowment Fund: Sustaining the Legacy, the Continuity, and the
Future of UUFBF and our UU Principles.

Use this link to join on Zoom:

[https://zoom.us/j/92039364170?](https://zoom.us/j/92039364170?pwd=RzRMDjVWOGITMEJjVDU2V0JFTFJQdz09)

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Landscape Committee

First Tuesday at 7:00 pm
Group contact: Celia Hirsch 561-870-3577

Use this link to join on Zoom:

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The Legacy Group

Third Sunday at 1 pm
Group contact: Judy Keiser Zoom Host: itteam@uufbr.org

Use this link to join on Zoom:

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IT Team

Meets as needed
Group contact:
Mary Wickensheimer, tech1@uufbr.org

Use this link to join on Zoom:

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Membership Committee

Fourth Wednesday at 3:00 pm
Group contact: Sharon Drew

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Meeting ID: 935 3499 4263 Passcode: 232167

Worship Team Meeting

Weekly on Wednesday at 5:00 pm
Group contact: Bill Jensen wmjensen44@gmail.com
Zoom Host: itteam@uufbr.org

Use this link to join on Zoom:

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Religious Education Council (RE Council)

RE Council is taking a hiatus until further notice
RECouncil@uufbr.org
This group organizes activities for families with children and
promotes religious education for all ages.

Endowment Committee: Elected

Mitch Major, Treasurer
Jacqueline Velazquez, Chair
Wendy Aron
Emil Kessler
Rona Solomon

Nominating Committee: Elected

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Bob Cadwell, May 7
Emil Kessler, May 8
Bob Schneider, May 15
Honoratha Lwiza, May 17

Best wishes to you all on your birthdays!



**BOB SCHNEIDER &
HONORATHA LWIZA, MAY 15**

Featured Fellowship Events

"STORIES WITH SOUL" HOSTED BY ROBYN STUART

Thursday, May 1 at 7:00 pm
Parker Room

Book club has been dissolved (perhaps temporarily) and a short story group has been created like the one she did for All Souls NYC.

Briefly, there is a reader and an audience, who perhaps have never read the story. The group will meet in the Parker Room one to two Thursday evenings a month at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy a "Story with Soul". You do not have to have read the story to enjoy it. A reader will read for about 20 minutes and then the group will discuss the short story. The group will meet for about an hour or so. There is no obligation on the part of the listener. It's like a bedtime story for UU adults. Initially Robyn will pick the stories and read. She is hoping that others will find stories to bring to the group. You can read yourself or you can have someone else read it.

If you know someone with an especially good voice, member or not, invite them to the group. If you know any retired disc jockeys, announcers or any actors that would be wonderful. Let know Robyn Stuart know.

First meeting will be Thursday May 1. at 7:00 pm in the Parker room. Bring your own beverage of choice and a non messy snack if you want.



Game Night **Friday Night, May 2 at 7:00 pm**

Get ready for a night packed with laughs, friendly competition, and all the good vibes. Join us for an epic Game Night featuring delicious pizza and ice-cold bottled water to keep your game face fresh. Want to bring your favorite drink along? Go for it—just don't forget your winning strategy!

Spots (and slices) are limited, so claim yours now by emailing Deliver2trish@gmail.com.

Let the games—and the good times—begin!



Sunday, May 4 at 11:45 am

For new visitors and those who have been attending for a while, we invite you to join the Welcome Team in an informal conversation about our faith tradition, the life of the Fellowship and how to get further connected with people and activities. Please reach out to Welcome@UUFBR.org with questions. We look forward to getting to know you better!



Coming Soon



Reiki Circle at UUFBR – A Sanctuary of Healing and Connection

Step into a sacred space of peace, presence, and energy renewal. Join us for a Reiki Circle at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Boca Raton, where hearts open, healing flows, and community blossoms. Whether you're new to Reiki or an experienced practitioner, all are welcome to receive, share, and experience the gentle power of universal life force energy. Come as you are—leave lighter, calmer, and more connected.

Dave Schmidt

External Events



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Everyone is welcome!



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Outreach Team Meeting 4pm, Zoom Stories with Soul 7pm	2 Admin in Office 10 -3pm Friday Night Happy Hour 5pm, Zoom Game night 7pm	3 The Forum 10am, Zoom Movie Discussion Group 4pm
4 Admin in Office 9 -12 pm Worship Service 10:30 am (Zoom also) Newcomer Welcome, 11:45 am, In person	5 Office closed Cleaning service 8am Worship Team 7pm, Zoom	6 Admin in office 10-3pm Landscape Committee meeting 6:45 pm, Zoom Program Planning Group meeting, Zoom	7 Admin in office 10-3pm Grounds Maint. 9:30am Board Meeting- Adaptive/strategic 5:30pm, Zoom Choir rehearsal 7pm, In person Midweek Meditation 8pm, Zoom	8 Non-violent Communication Practice 12:30 pm, Zoom	9 Admin in Office 10 -3pm Friday Night Happy Hour 5pm, Zoom	10 The Forum 10am, Zoom Movie Discussion Group 4pm
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Classifieds



Intergenerational Camp July 20th - 25th

A Summer Camp for everyone! Are you age 0 to 100+? It's for you! Are you a family looking for a fun summer experience? It's for you! Are you a group of friends wanting to explore nature? It's for you too! Everyone is invited to come together for crafts, hiking, campfires, and more. It's a great way for family and friends of all ages to enjoy the summer together in an amazing mountain setting! Registration closes July 6.

<https://www.themountainrlc.org/event/intergenerational-camp/>