

As a member congregation of the Unitarian Universalist Association, we covenant to affirm and promote our UU Principles:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at-large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

### Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa Covenant

We, the members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa, covenant with one another:

To strengthen our church community while following our own spiritual paths,  
To honor diversity as a source of communal strength and to be a welcoming community

Because our acts and words weave the web that connects us to one another:  
We accept responsibility for what we do and say,  
We communicate with one another in kindness and support,  
We promote the safety and well being of the congregation,  
We practice the democratic process,  
We support this church with our money and time.  
We make our contributions with compassion and commitment,  
We work together to build a joyful community that affirms peace justice and spiritual fulfillment.  
We hold ourselves and each other responsible for adhering to this covenant.

*The vision of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa is to be:*

- a center for liberal religious education for people of all ages;
- a community of caring and committed individuals diverse in identity and theology;
- a haven for those seeking a positive spiritual experience;
- a positive force in the community for justice and equality.

#### UUCT Board of Trustees:

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## UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF TAMPA

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Rev. Patricia A. Owen, Minister



Sunday, July 9, 2017  
"G.A. Celebration Sunday"  
Rev. Patricia A. Owen

We will hear the lessons and inspiration of our General Assembly attendees.

*\*Please remember to turn your cell phone ringers off during the service*

# Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa

July 9, 2017

## Eleven O'clock - Sunday Celebration

We recognize our *Joys and Sorrows* during our celebration by bringing the book on the table front left of the room to our pulpit and reading the citations. Before the beginning of our Sunday Celebration or during the opening music and welcoming words please write a short notation (with or without name) recording the significant experience or event you wish shared.

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

### Welcome

### Banner Parade *'When the Saints Go Marching In'*

### Chalice Lighting

### Special Recognition

### Story For All Ages

### Passing the Flame No. 413 *'Go Now in Peace'*

### Community! Spirit! Action!

### A General Assembly Reflection~ Rev. Patricia Owen

### \* Hymn No. 1028 *'The Fire of Commitment'*

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Worship Leader: Rev. Patricia A. Owen, Minister  
Participants- Kim Robe, David Durieux, Chris Arnold; membership chair, Rom Delacroix, Evelyn Cape, Marta Pearson, Bob Hedlund, Gigi Van Doren and Trude Diamond; UUCT Board Secretary  
Accompanist - Dee Lynch, UUCT Music Director  
Sound-Jay Kirchheimer  
Audio Visual- Diane Gainforth; Slideshow Content Provider - Melissa Nicholson

### Community!

Reflections ~David Durieux, Chris Arnold,  
and Bob Hedlund

### Interlude *'Wade in the Water'*

### Spirit!

Reflections ~Rom Delacroix and Evelyn Cape

### Guided Meditation

### Offering

Offertory *'Wade in the Water'* ~The G.A. Singers

### Action!

Reflections ~ Gigi Van Doren , Trude Diamond,  
and Marta Pearson

### Interlude *'Wade in the Water'*

Closing Reflection~ Rev. Patricia A. Owen

\* Closing Hymn No. 1014 *'Answering the Call of Love'*

### Extinguishing the Chalice

### Benediction

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*A warm welcome is extended to our visitors today.  
Please join us in the multipurpose building for conversation and brighten  
your day and ours by using a yellow mug for your refreshment.  
We hope you will come again.*

## Happening Today

### TODAY / THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Sunday, July 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Service</li> <li>▪ Curbing Gun Violence (large dome)</li> <li>▪ Membership Committee Meeting (small dome)</li> <li>▪ Concert: J. Robert (large dome)</li> </ul>	11:00am 12:30-1:30pm 12:30-2pm 3:00pm-6pm
Monday, July 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tibetan Buddhist Meditation (large dome)</li> <li>▪ UUCT mUUSIC- Acoustic Jam (small dome)</li> </ul>	7-8:30pm 7:30-9pm
Tuesday, July 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Long Range Planning Committee (MPB room 3)</li> <li>▪ Worship Committee Meeting (MPB room 4)</li> <li>▪ Mindfulness Meditation (large dome)</li> </ul>	1:30-3:30pm 4:30-6pm 6-7pm
Wednesday, July 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Executive Committee Meeting (MPB room 3)</li> <li>▪ VESPERs (sanctuary)</li> <li>▪ SGM The Pines (MPB room 3)</li> <li>▪ Finance Committee Meeting (MPB room 4)</li> </ul>	10-11:30am 6-6:30pm 7-9pm 7-9pm
Thursday, July 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Social Justice Meeting (MPB room 4)</li> </ul>	7-9pm
Friday, July 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SGM The Cedars (large dome)</li> <li>▪ Yoga Class (MPB)</li> <li>▪ Adult and Teen Game Night (MPB)</li> </ul>	10:30am-12:30pm 11am-noon 7-9pm
Saturday, July 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Al-Anon (MPB room 2)</li> </ul>	10:15-11:45am
Sunday, July 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Service</li> </ul>	11:00am
Monday, July 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tibetan Buddhist Meditation (large dome)</li> <li>▪ UUCT mUUSIC- Acoustic Jam (small dome)</li> </ul>	7-8:30pm 7:30-9pm
Tuesday, July 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mindfulness Meditation (large dome)</li> </ul>	6-7pm
Wednesday, July 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ RE Committee Meeting (MPB room 5)</li> </ul>	6:30-8:30pm
Thursday, July 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board of Trustees Meeting (MPB room 3)</li> </ul>	6:30-8:30pm
Friday, July 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Yoga Class (MPB)</li> </ul>	11am-noon
Saturday, July 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board of Trustees Training (MPB rooms 3 &amp; 4)</li> <li>▪ Al-Anon (MPB room 2)</li> </ul>	9am-2pm 10:15-11:45am

Rev. Patricia Owen- Office hours: Monday; Appointment Only, Tuesday- Thursday; 11am-5pm. Friday is Rev. Patricia's day off. Only urgent calls please. Call her at 804-347-8159 or email at [RevP@uutampa.org](mailto:RevP@uutampa.org) with questions, ideas, needs and to confirm her availability at church office. ☺ Erin Powers, Director of Religious Education for Children & Youth: Regular hours are Wednesday 3:30-8:30pm; Email [dre@uutampa.org](mailto:dre@uutampa.org); Dee Lynch, Music Director, Office Hours: Tuesday 1-4pm and Friday 1-6pm. email: [music@uutampa.org](mailto:music@uutampa.org). Linda Turnipseed, Office Assistant: Tuesday & Thursday 9am-2pm; 813988-8188

Join us after the conclusion of the service today in the multi-purpose building for coffee. Please remember our coffee and snack fund is self sustaining, so before you partake, please stuff a dollar into the donation can. If you have been enjoying the variety and quality of snacks make sure you continue to fund it. Thank you and enjoy.

#### CONCERT IN THE UU DOME:

### J. Robert's 'The Florida Fiddler Show!'

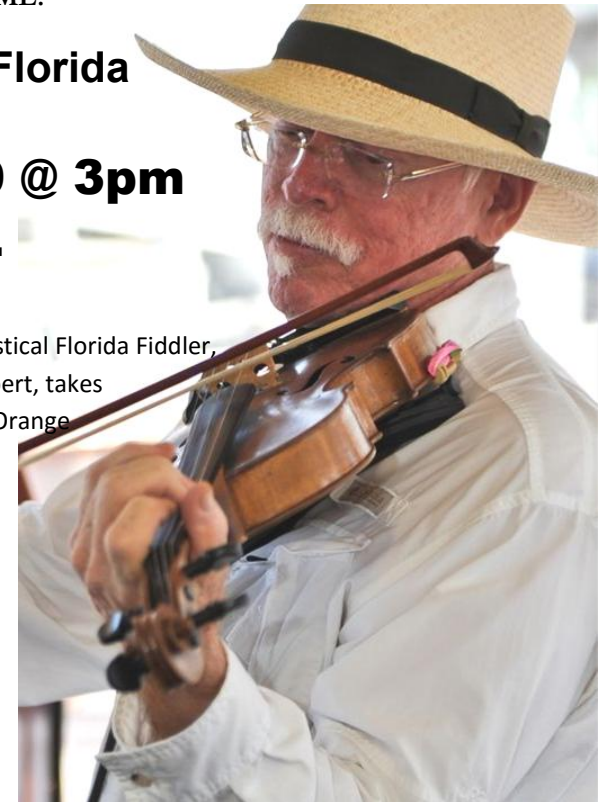
**Today, July 9 @ 3pm**

**\$15\* advanced.**

**\$20 door**

The enchanting story of the mystical Florida Fiddler, as told by Native Floridian J. Robert, takes you on a musical journey from Orange Blossom Special and Suwannee River to Margaritaville, Hot Hot Hot and Rhythm's Gonna Getcha!

\*Tickets on line at <http://uutampa.org/concerts/>



#### Vespers Service every Wednesday

UUCT will offer a short, contemplative service every Wednesday for anyone and everyone at **6PM in the sanctuary**. The service will last about 30 minutes. There are readings, reflections, music, joys, and concerns and some other components as well! If you are in the area, stop in for a hump day break.

**Vespers will be on break from July 19-August 30, starts again on September 6<sup>th</sup>.**



**Next Sunday, July 16, 2017 at 11:00 am**

**“The Only Ones Who Ever Win”**

**Rev. Patricia A. Owen**

Why do we exist? Four words – no easy answer.

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## **Announcements**

**Our Care Team** sends greeting cards, makes hospital visits and follows up with congregants who are experiencing joys or sorrows. Please let us know if you or someone in our congregation is in need. Contact [care@uutampa.org](mailto:care@uutampa.org)

**Padmasambhava Buddhist Center of Tampa Bay** now holds Buddhist practice in the large dome; **Mondays at 7pm** For more information on PBC International please visit [www.padmasambhava.org](http://www.padmasambhava.org)

**The UUCT MUUSIC Group** meets every **Monday evening at 7:30 in the Small Dome**. In the spirit of old-time hootenannies and good-time jam sessions, this is an informal gathering of musicians, vocalists, and just plain music lovers who want to make or listen to MUUSIC. Sing, play an instrument, drums, or bang on an upside-down waste basket. Get creative. Everyone is welcome, regardless of ability or experience. [music@uutampa.org](mailto:music@uutampa.org)



**The UU Mindfulness Meditation Group: Tuesday at 6:00pm**. These are two twenty minute meditations with a five minute walking meditation between them. A short Loving-Kindness recitation is practiced. All are welcome. Contact: Grant Wilson and Diana Stevens; [meditation@uutampa.org](mailto:meditation@uutampa.org)



**Light Yoga Class, Friday at 11 am**. **Yoga Class** meets in the **Multi-Purpose Building**. Bring a mat or towel and wear loose or stretchy clothing. We do light yogic stretching with no difficult poses. Cost: \$6. (a church fund-raiser) Facilitator: Grant Wilson; [yoga@uutampa.org](mailto:yoga@uutampa.org) All are welcome.

**TEEN & ADULT GAME NIGHT, second Friday of the Month**; we meet in the **main room in Multi-Purpose Bldg., 7-9:00pm**- If you haven't been to Game Night recently, come on out - it's a lot of fun. Make new friends or hang out with old ones. Excellent refreshments provided, if any questions, [gamenight@uutampa.org](mailto:gamenight@uutampa.org)

## **Announcements**

**Circles in the Woods CUUPS (Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans)** holds Full Moon Celebrations on the **Saturday** closest to the full moon and occasional other activities; All activities are open to the public and held at UUCT. There is no cost but love donations are gratefully accepted. Bring a dish to share afterward. email [cuups@uutampa.org](mailto:cuups@uutampa.org) or check out our online calendar <http://uutampa.org/cuups-calendar/>

**UUCT DAY TRIPPERS** –Please note: There are **no UUCT Day Trippers events scheduled for July and August**. Trips will resume in September. Suggestions for destinations are always welcome.

**Al-Anon** meets in the multi-purpose building **on Saturdays at 10:30 am** each week. For additional information about Al-Anon in Hillsborough County, call 813-881-9372 or visit us on the web at [www.tampabayalanon.org](http://www.tampabayalanon.org) Join our on-line groups:

**Join the UU Yahoo Group: [UUtampa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:UUtampa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)** This is a church wide list about church events and sponsored events. It is open to church members and friends as subscribers.

**Follow the UUCT Facebook Group:** Can't come to church? Can't remember something you read in the announcements? Each week's Order of Service and the weekly announcements will now be available on our Facebook page and on the website. On the website, it will appear next to the announcement of that week's service in "A Month of Sundays." The church's Facebook page is public and open to anyone to view. You can view the church's Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/uutampa](http://www.facebook.com/uutampa)

## **Security of the Multi-Purpose/Religious Education Building**

**Fellow Building Users** – Unfortunately we continue to have a security problem with our Multi-Purpose/Religious Education Building MP/REB being left unsecured at the end of the day, particularly on Sundays. To help end this problem, please be mindful of a few simple rules. These are:

- If you have scheduled or called your group to meet in the building, YOU are responsible for securing the building before leaving it.**
- If there are other groups still meeting in the building when you are leaving it, check with them to make sure which member of that group is securing the building. (NOTE: If no one in that group is taking responsibility for securing the building, then they MUST leave so you can secure it.)**
- If you are the "last" person left in the building and you do not know how to alarm and lock the building, please call Ed Benedict at home number of (813) 968-1418 or his cell (813) 310-6270, for instructions. If you do not have a cell phone on you, use the phone on the counter in the Teacher's Lounge (A.K.A., the kitchen) of the MP/REB to make this call.**  
(Submitted by Ed Benedict, Buildings and Grounds Chair)