

Our Seven UU Principles:

- 1st Principle: **The inherent worth and dignity of every person.**
- 2nd Principle: **Justice, equity and compassion in human relations.**
- 3rd Principle: **Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations.**
- 4th Principle: **A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.**
- 5th Principle: **The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at-large.**
- 6th Principle: **The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.**
- 7th Principle: **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.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community that values caring, learning, and acting on our Unitarian Universalist principles

The vision of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa is:

We will become: A generous community where all members contribute time, talent, and treasure to our shared goals;

A responsive community dedicated to religious exploration for all ages, caring for one another and welcoming all people of good will;

A visible community with a heart for justice, actively seeking ways to be involved with our larger community;

A growing community that stewards an expanded and updated campus with accessible facilities that will support our mission

UUCT Board of Trustees:

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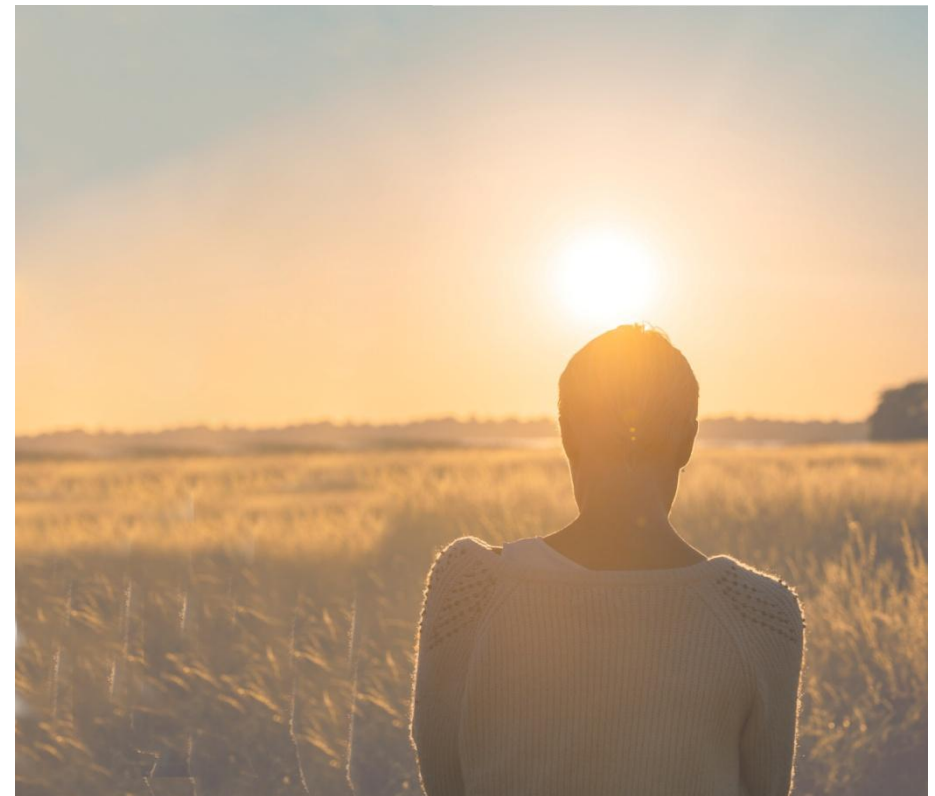
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF TAMPA

Caring, Learning, Acting

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Rev. Patricia A. Owen, Minister



11:15am Sunday Service, December 9, 2018

'Holy Souls'

Rev. Patricia A. Owen

Worship Associate- Brian Eckelberger

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

**Welcome to the
Unitarian Universalist Church of Tampa
December 9, 2018**

As you enter, please place a stone for a Joy, Sorrow or Intention at the stone stations. You are also invited to write in the book of Joys and Sorrows.

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Prelude ‘Winter Wonderland’

by Felix Bernard

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading No. 442 ‘We Bid You Welcome’

***Opening Hymn No. 225**

‘O Come, O Come, Emmanuel’

Chalice Lighting

Story for All Ages

Celebration of Children No. 1057 ‘Go Lifted Up’

Teal Hymnal ‘Singing the Journey’

Worship Leader- Rev. Patricia A. Owen, UUCT Minister
Worship Associate- Brian Eckelberger
Participants- Erin Powers, Dir. of Religious Exploration Children & Youth
Accompanist – **The Yarrow Sticks and Friends**- Jamie Robe, Russ Kirby, Bill Blymiller, Pamela Jo Harley, Jack Bunch, and Jae Polcyn
Sound- Jack Bunch and Steffen Rosen
Audio Visual and Slideshow Content Provider –Ara Rogers

Sharing of Joys and Sorrow

Blessing of the Stones

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Meditation

Hymn for Meditation No. 391 ‘Voice Still and Small’

**Sermon ‘Holy Souls’
Rev. Patricia A. Owen**

Offering and Offertory

Music by **The Yarrow Sticks and Friends**- Jamie Robe, Russ Kirby, Bill Blymiller, Pamela Jo Harley, Jack Bunch, and Jae Polcyn

Offertory Response: *By the work of our hands, and the work of our hearts, our love is made real. May we be grateful for all that is given, and grateful for all that is shared.*

*** Closing Hymn No. 131 ‘Love Will Guide Us’**

Extinguishing the Chalice

*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.*

TODAY / THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Sunday, December 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Middle School OWL Class (small dome) ▪ Services ▪ Youth Group Meeting (MPB room 5) ▪ Curbing Gun Violence (large dome) ▪ 5 Year Plan Meeting (MPB room 2) ▪ Rental of the large dome 	9-10:30am 9:30am & 11:15am 11-2pm 12:30-1:30pm 12:30-1:30pm 2:30-6:30pm
Monday, December 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tibetan Buddhist Practice (Large dome) ▪ mUUSIC- Sing-a-long at Angels Senior Home 	7-8:30pm 7:30-9:30pm
Tuesday, December 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mindfulness Meditation (large dome) ▪ Governance Task Force Meeting (MPB room 3) ▪ Mangroves (MPB room 4) 	6-7pm 6:30-8:30pm 7-9pm
Wednesday, December 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Children's Choir Rehearsal (large dome) ▪ Finance Committee Meeting (MPB room 4) ▪ SGM The Pines(MPB room 3) 	5:30-6:15pm 7-9pm 7-9pm
Thursday, December 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Party Set Up(large dome) ▪ Women's Choir Rehearsal ▪ Choir Rehearsal 	10am-noon 5-6pm 6:15-7:45pm
Friday, December 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yoga Class (MPB) ▪ CUUPS Meeting (small dome) ▪ Holiday Party Event (large dome) ▪ Adult and Teen Game Night (MPB) 	11am-noon 7-10pm 6-10pm 7-9:30pm
Saturday, December 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Al-Anon (MPB room 2) 	10:15-11:45am
Sunday, December 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Services ▪ Youth Group Meeting (MPB room 5) ▪ Green Party (gazebo) ▪ Membership Meeting (MPB room 4) 	9:30am & 11:15am 11-2pm 12:30-1:30pm 1-3pm
Monday, December 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tibetan Buddhist Practice (Large dome) ▪ mUUSIC (small dome) 	7-8:30pm 7:30-9:30pm
Tuesday, December 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mindfulness Meditation (large dome) 	6-7pm
Wednesday, December 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cedars (MPB room 4) 	11am-1pm
Thursday, December 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Women's Choir Rehearsal ▪ Choir Rehearsal ▪ Board of Trustees Meeting (MPB room 3) 	5-6pm 6:15-7:45pm 6:30-8:30pm
Friday, December 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yoga Class (MPB) 	11am-noon
Saturday, December 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Al-Anon (MPB room 2) ▪ CUUPS Full Moon Celebration (large dome) 	10:15-11:45am 7:30pm

Happening Today



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.



Next Sunday, December 16, 2018

Children's Pageant, Erin Powers, DRE

Our children will provide an all ages pageant for our holiday season.

**This month our theme is Mystery.
Sunday services are at 9:30am and 11:15am.**

Announcements

Return Your Foster Angel Gifts Today!

Adopt a child from our Angel Tree and provide new, age appropriate gifts as described on the Wish List. Please return wrapped gifts with the angel attached to the UUCT by today Sunday, December 9 for delivery.

UUCT DAY TRIPPERS –

Join us as we explore the **Manatee Village Historical Park in Bradenton** on **Wednesday, December 12**. With 14 points of interest, the visit provides the opportunity to learn about Old Florida long before paved roads and electricity. We will **leave the church promptly at**

9:00am and return by 3:00pm. Historical Park admission is free with donations accepted. Additional costs are money for lunch and \$4 cash gratuity for carpool driver. RSVP by Sunday, December 9: Ron Phillips at 813-997-0920 or Mary Wolgemuth at 720-252-3443 or mary.wolgemuth@gmail.com.



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



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

Thank you for helping Cedars Chalice Circle with donations for our USF foreign student. Donations have dropped off and we want to make one last request before we close our project at the end of the year. Our student, Eliana is from Jamaica. Her desire at school is to become a lawyer. She is working toward an undergraduate degree. Her biggest difficulty is paying for tuition (out of state) and books and general upkeep. **We would very much appreciate any cash donations we can give her before we end the project.** Thanks for your concerns and assistance. Cedars Chalice Circle: Mary Lou Jones, facilitator. Contact info: mloujones.mlj@gmail.com or use the donation bin located in the lobby of the MPB.

Announcements



The UUCT mUUSIC Group meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the Small Dome, but on **Monday, December 10, the Monday MUUSIC group will be traveling to Angels Senior Home** at 14527 N. Florida Ave, Tampa, 33613, to join with the residents in a Christmas music sing-a-long. We will meet at the Angels Senior Home at 7:30 pm. **All singers and musicians are welcome to come celebrate the holidays with us.**
muusic@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

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

UUCT Choir News: WOMEN'S CHOIR meets on **Thursdays, 5:00-6:00pm**
The ADULT CHOIR (men and women) rehearsals are on Thurs, 6:15-7:45pm. We are HAPPY to share our SIMPLE GIFTS of music throughout our SEASONS OF LOVE. For information, contact Music Director Dee Lynch, choir@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: \$7. (a church fund-raiser) Facilitator: Grant Wilson; 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- Make new friends or hang out with old ones. Excellent refreshments provided, if any questions, gamenight@uutampa.org

Circles in the Woods CUUPS (Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans) holds Full Moon Celebrations on the **Saturday** closest to the full moon and other activities; All activities are open to the public and held at UUCT. Families are welcome but no pets please. For more information email cuups@uutampa.org or check out our online calendar <http://uutampa.org/cuups-calendar/>

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

**SMALL GROUPS ARE COMING!!
NEW GROUPS START IN JANUARY!!**

What is small group ministry? Small group ministry is the way we connect, learn and grow spiritually. It is the best way to get to know people more deeply.

What do they do? Small groups meet monthly to discuss our theme or book that helps us grow. They also work to make our community better, and they do it together.

How often? Monthly! And yes, you can join more than one. And no, you don't have to be a member of UUCT but you're invited to attend Intro to UU.

Is there a commitment? Yes! Please be prepared to commit to monthly meetings that will run from January through June, with a summer break. Then you can re-commit in October 2019.

What else do I need to know? Small groups agree on a covenant. This is non-negotiable. UU is a covenant faith, as are our small groups. Small groups are not therapy groups. There is no fixing, advising, etc.

QUESTIONS? Great! You may write your question below (we'll need your email to reply) or stay tuned for dates for info sessions in January.

Name _____

Email _____

Please mark your 1st and 2nd choice

Day	Time	Location	
2 nd Wed	7-9PM	UUCT	_____
2 nd Tues	11AM-1PM	UUCT	_____
2 nd Friday	2-4PM	Brandon	_____ *public library, Vonderburg Dr
3 rd Wed	7-9PM	UUCT	_____ *religious naturalist centered
4 th Thursday	12-2PM	Temple Terrace	_____ *home with cats
1 st Wed	1-3PM	Wesley Chapel	_____ *home with cats
2 nd Mon	10AM-12PM	UUCT	_____
2 nd Tues	630-830PM	Valrico	_____ *Bloomingdale public library
4 th Tues/Thurs	7-9PM	UUCT	_____ *Men's group



Holiday Movie Treat and Pajama Party!

This Friday, December 14 at 6:00pm

Plan to join us for the screening of 'The Polar Express' and come in your favorite pajamas.

Activity Hour: 6-7pm

Movie at 7:00pm

Activity hour includes cookie decorating, ornament making, tree trimming and a visit from Mr. & Mrs. Claus!

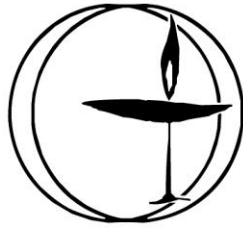
Hot Cocoa Bar and popcorn available

FREE All Ages Event!

UUCT Fundraiser, Contact person: Candy Gale fundraising@uutampa.org

Intro to UU

Registration 2019



Interested in becoming a member of this church? Participation in one of the classes listed below is a vital element in becoming a member of our congregation. A basic overview of the history and the evolution of the Unitarian Universalist ways in spirituality and religion will be offered in a causal dialogue format.

Registration is required. Drop this registration form off at the UUCT office

Please register me for one of the following Intro to UU Classes:

- Saturday, January 12; 9am-2pm
- Tuesdays, March 19 & 26; 6:30-8:30pm
- Saturday, May 11; 9am-2pm

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:



Plan to join us for our Christmas Eve *Candlelight Service* Monday, December 24 at 6:00pm



Gifts of Poinsettia: The beautiful poinsettias displayed in the sanctuary were donated by: Rhonda Scott in honor of Rhonie & Ann Scott; Tempie Taudte in memory of Mildred Taudte & Naomi Ward; Joe & Deborah Adles in honor of all their ancestors; Irene Bembry in memory of Lillie Wilson and in honor of Jack Wilson; Pat Benedict, in memory of Susan Lenz; Evelyn Cape, in memory of William H. Cape and in honor of Merceda Merrick; Carl & Merrilyn Crosson; Fran Davin; Trude Diamond in honor of Sara and Gilbert Wegad; Joyce Formica; Ruth Gibney in honor of Kent and Ruth Gibney's 50th anniversary; Bill & Marilyn Katzenmeyer in memory of George Heindel, Jane Heindel and Robert & Violet Katzenmeyer; Joan Lund in memory of her parents; Heidi McNeill; Gery Morey in memory of Jim and Becky Osten; Robin Newcomer; Tary and Karole Peace in memory of Bill Peace, Julia Juneal and Karl & Dorothy Karlson.