



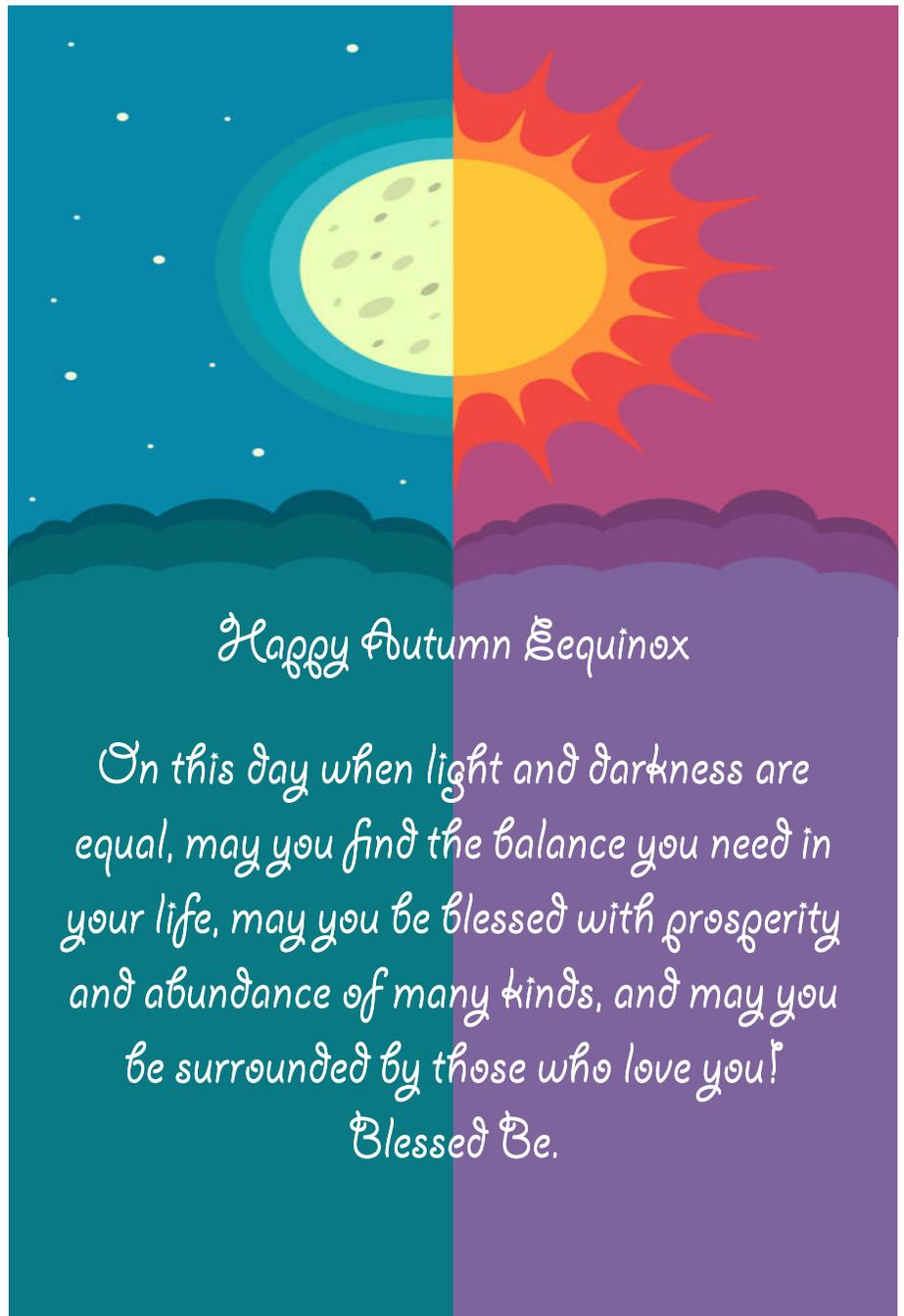
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CONNECTIONS

The Newsletter of All Faiths Unitarian Congregation, *where diversity is treasured.*
A member of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

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Happy Autumn Equinox

*On this day when light and darkness are equal, may you find the balance you need in your life, may you be blessed with prosperity and abundance of many kinds, and may you be surrounded by those who love you!
Blessed Be.*

The Board of Directors resumed its usual monthly meeting on August 17, 2022

Carol Heilsberg presented a proposal from the Climate Action Team that All Faiths Congregation become a partner in the upcoming Solar United Neighbors Co-op (SUN). The Board approved All Faiths joining the solar co-op and requested that the Climate Action Team schedule an informational presentation for our congregation in the near future explaining how the co-op functions and what it offers to those interested in solar panels.

Rev. CJ reports that we are expecting several new children to be joining our Child and Youth Program in the near future. He has been communicating with families who are interested in our program.

The Robinson Room has received the new furniture that was donated by Rev. Wayne Robinson, a desk and three bookshelves. We will place the books also donated from his library in the cart in the entryway for members to purchase with a donation to the new Minister's Discretionary Fund. The Hymnals will be moved to one of the bookcases in the office.

The next Ice Cream Social will be September 18th, as the Farewell Luncheon for Rev. CJ will be on Sunday August 28th.

Lewis Robinson presented a proposal from the Racial Equity Team. They are working on a Diversity and Inclusion program with West Shore UU Church. The Board was in favor of moving forward and suggested

a possible subcommittee could be helpful as they proceed. More information will be available as this progresses.

The All Faiths Five-Year Strategic Plan has been updated by Peter Erickson, John Conrad and Rev. CJ. Discussion was tabled and the Board will review the updates and discuss the changes at our September meeting.

John Conrad presented his findings on a new Video Surveillance System for the All Faiths' property. John has suggested we hire Ron and Sons, Inc., a local company in business for over 40 years. We will have six video cameras and a new monitor that will give us better coverage of the building and property. As we just re-

newed the monitoring contract with ADT for the alarm system, we will switch the monitoring over to Ron and Sons in the new fiscal year when the contract with ADT expires.

Rev. CJ recommended that we look into hiring a part-time IT person to livestream the Sunday services, and/or help with other technical issues. The board will consider what options may be available.

The next meeting will be September 21, 2022 at 1:00 pm at All Faiths.



Mission Statement

All Faiths Unitarian Congregation is committed to Justice, Equity and Compassion.

Vision Statement

Recognizing our role as each other's keepers, we strive to be an inclusive, loving, spiritual community working to bring harmony to the world.

All Faiths Collection Schedule

Monthly Share-the-Plate

(Please write organization and amount in the memo line of your check.)

September - SWFL RESET Center (Climate Action Team)

October - All Souls Episcopal Church (Heart for the Homeless Team)

November - Operation Joy (Holiday Happiness)

December - Employee Bonuses

July Share-the-Plate brought in \$400 for Visuality!

August Share-the-Plate brought in \$505 for Operation Joy!

Your generosity directly benefits our community! Great job!



FROM NEWINGTON GREEN

by Rev. CJ McGregor, Guest Contributor

The British poet Philip Larkin once wrote, "Autumn has caught us in our summer wear." I think Larkin is alluding to the fact that as time passes we are unaware and surprised when summer turns into autumn. "Where has the time gone?" we might ask. We feel caught by surprise. This is particularly true in Southwest Florida. There aren't big and obvious changes when we move from summer to the fall like there are in the north. No, we must be close observers of the changes in light, the

turning of certain plants and foliage, and our air conditioning bills go down.

The "Harvest Moon" and the Autumnal Equinox is upon us. These phenomena remind us of the cycles of the sun, moon, and earth. There are changes in light, temperature, and the environment. It is good to have these seasonal prompts to remind us that our lives, too, have cycles. We inevitably recall our childhood, when we were 20, 40, 60, or even older. These are life's cycles. Like the seasons they cannot

be stopped. Why would we want to? Sometimes vanity, nostalgia, and our need for escape makes us long for cycles of the past.

I'm 53 and know some of you reading this are younger and much older. However, it is in this fifth decade that I've realized that I not only have lost my desire to please the unrealistic and foolish expectations of others and society, but I've never been this better version of myself. It is in this cycle in my life that I am the most happy, confident, and sure. Will

this change for me? Yes, because cycles change; they come and go. But by observing and engaging the people of your congregation, it is clear to me that there are shining moments in all the cycles of our lives-whether you're the four year old in our child and youth program or the 89 year old member.

As the next season catches us, let us live in surprise, curiosity, and gratitude. Discover in yourself and one another the beauty and the complications in your next cycle.

WE ARE TRULY BLESSED

by Joyce Ramay

We are truly blessed here at All Faiths. Our founding minister, Rev. Wayne Robinson, led us in creating a welcoming and diverse congregation of spiritual seekers, and served us from 2001 to 2013 when he retired. We are grateful that he is still connected with us and spoke at our Sunday service on August 14th.

We have been blessed to have the enlightened services and pastoral care provided by Rev. CJ McGregor from 2017 through August 2022. He guided us on our spiritual journeys, and led us through the struggling times of the Covid 19 pandemic. Now he will carry the All Faiths message and his experience with us to lead a congregation in London. We wish him much joy and every success in his new venture across the ocean.

We are also blessed to have many dedicated people who will lead us in the months to come, while our Search Team looks for a new minister.

We are fortunate to have the tremendous administrative skills of Regina Kilmartin, who knows how to hold every-

thing together. We enjoy the uplifting spirit of our music director, Carlos Garcia, who finds just the right music to go with our Sunday messages. Our sexton, Joe Gayton, looks after our facilities and greets us every week. We look forward to the growth of our Child and Youth Program under Kathy Fanny.

We have many fascinating members who will share with us their inspirational messages at our Sunday services, led by our talented worship associates.

We are led by a Board that is totally committed to sustaining and expanding all the capabilities of our unique congregation. Hard-working volunteers look after our building and grounds, provide hospitality for gatherings, and lead our social action teams.

We deeply appreciate that our members generously support All Faiths with their time, talents and treasures.

We are moving confidently forward in good hands. Blessed be!



Happening at All Faiths



TEN O'CLOCK SCHOLAR

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. - Community Room
Facilitated by *you?*

Wednesday mornings are available for
Adult Education Programs.

Do you have something of interest you
would like to share with the congregation? Do you
know of an organization or speaker that may wish to
present to the congregation?

Contact the office to reserve a single Wednesday
or a series of Wednesdays.

Learning is fun!

office@allfaithsuo.org or 239-226-0900

*Happy September
Birthday to you!*



Sept. 07 Brad Davidson
Sept. 08 Wayne Dean
Sept. 11 James Kersey
Sept. 14 Edith (Edi) Griffiths
Sept. 16 Ainsleigh Babcock
Sept. 20 Roy Kennix
Sept. 23 Jo-Ann Reece
Sept. 25 Dottie Mayol
Sept. 28 Gerald Goen
Sept. 30 Harold Philpot

And Coming Up...

Oct. 4 Michael Pierre
Oct. 9 Lynda Thompson



Solos Group Events

Saturday, September 3, 12:30 p.m.

Ginger Bistro

4650 S. Cleveland Ave, Ste. 8
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Check your email for details.

Contact: Annely Hudanick,
annelyblue@hotmail.com

Everyone is welcome to join the Solos
for outings and lunches.

All Voices Choir Practice

Meeting Every Saturday at 2:00 p.m. starting 9-10-22

The choir welcomes new members. You do not have to be a
professional singer or read sheet music to join. Go ahead, give it a
try. Contact: Carlos Garcia, ceegeefm@gmail.com.

Book Club

Monday, September 19 at 12:00 p.m. - Community Room

The book club is casual and fun. No assigned books, just show up
and be prepared to talk about an interesting book you've read or
are reading. Contacts: Diane Chernow, dianecher@comcast.net

The Rainbow Connection

Meeting on the 1st Monday of the Month at 6:00 p.m.

The Rainbow Connection is a new addition to All Faiths' social
justice teams. This group will support the LGBTQ+ community
and Allies. All are welcome.

McGregor Clinic Collection

Collection is on the 3rd Sunday of Every Month

This month the clinic is in need of towels, sheets, men's and
women's clothing. Coordinator: Joyce Schaffer, joycelschaffer@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER 2022 CALENDAR

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

						
				1	2	3
					2pm Dominoes	12:30pm Solos Lunch (Pg. 4)
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:15am News Talk w. Ray Ellis 10:30am Service and Child & Youth Program	Labor Day Office Closed	1:30pm Climate Action Team Mtg. via Zoom			2pm Dominoes	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:15am News Talk w. Ray Ellis 10:30am Service and Child & Youth Program	10am Sun. Service Mtg. 6 pm Rainbow Connection			10 am Finance Mtg.	2pm Dominoes	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:15am News Talk w. Ray Ellis 10:30am Service and Child & Youth Program McGregor Clinic Collection	12pm Book Club ← Ice Cream Social		 4:30 pm Board Meeting	Autumn Begins 2pm Homeless Team @ All Faiths	2pm Dominoes	7pm ACMA Concert (see pg. 10)
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
9:15am News Talk w. Ray Ellis 10:30am Service and Child & Youth Program 2:00pm ACMA Workshop			7am Odyssey with Rachel Spiller @All Faiths	10am Membership Meeting	2pm Dominoes	

Many meetings have returned to in-house, some meetings remain on Zoom.
If you are not sure, check with the chairperson or call the office.

SEPTEMBER 2022 SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

In-House & Live on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.

Recorded services can be viewed at www.allfaithsuo.org
or on our YouTube channel.

September 4

Honoring the Working Class

by Joyce Ramay

Music by Carlos Garcia and Michael Pierre
Worship Associate – Michelle Gemma

September 11

My Journey from Catholicism to UUism

by Ray Ellis

Music by Carlos Garcia
Worship Associate – Joyce Ramay

September 18

Travels and Holy Sites

by Dottie Mayol

Music by Carlos Garcia
Worship Associate – Susan Meissner

September 25

L'Shana Tova

by Marge DiGalbo

Music by Carlos Garcia and Choir
Worship Associate – Greg Monk

SUNDAY PROGRAMS

News Talk with Ray Ellis

9:15 a.m. - at All Faiths in the Sanctuary

News talk is a facilitated group that will offer a time
and space for you to discuss the weekly headlines.

Child & Youth Program

10:30 a.m. in the Robinson Room with Kathy Fanny
(Confirm Dates on Calendar)

MINISTERIAL SEARCH UPDATE

by Marsha Bates, Chair



At the July 31 Special Congregational Meeting, All Faiths approved the slate of Ministerial Search Team nominees proposed by your Board of Directors. The Search Team members are: *Annely Hudanick, Bob Moore, Frankie Jennings, Joe Batal, and Marsha Bates*. *Emmie Spiller* is serving as a Youth Advisor on the committee; she is a non-voting member of the team.

At its first meeting, Marsha Bates agreed to serve as Chairperson; Bob Moore is the group's Secretary. Several of us have been traveling during July and August. We will convene again in early September. We will be concentrating on developing the Congregational Profile, which is required by the UUA, and must be completed before potential ministerial candidates can access All Faiths' information.

In the meantime, the Unitarian Universalist Transitions Program Manager, Christine Purcelle, has been notified about All Faiths' intent to identify an appropriate candidate and for a contract minister position. If the successful candidate is a good fit for our congregation and All Faiths' members approve, we will have the option to hire him/her/them on a permanent basis. Otherwise, we will be able to make a change in personnel at the end of the contract period.

CHILD & YOUTH PROGRAM NOTES

Sept 4 - Heritage: Youth and children learn about the social justice actions of an African American Unitarian foremother who worked to bend the arc of the universe towards justice. They are invited to help bend this arc as part of their UU heritage.

Sept 11 - Understanding: Youth and children will practice listening to understand and experiencing the world the way others do in an attempt to understand one another's lives. They are encouraged to see understanding as a justice issue and a crucial step toward creating a better world.

Sept 18 - Understanding: Part 2 of our work from last week.

Sept 25 - Empathy: Youth and children will explore the importance of empathy in justice work. Using the example of immigration, they look through the eyes of those most affected—the immigrants—and examine the importance of empathy for people who are caught in the ripple effects of political and economic systems beyond their control.

CLIMATE ACTION TEAM NEWS

by Carol Heilsberg, Co-Chair



This summer our newspapers and television screens have been filled with stories and images of devastating floods and wildfires, record-breaking heat, historic droughts and serious food and water shortages. Much of this is a direct effect of the ever-worsening climate crisis. But the news is not all bad. Your Climate Action Team is focused on the positive steps we can take to restore our planet to ecological balance and sustainability.

So here's some of the good news for you to celebrate:

President Biden recently signed into law the *Inflation Reduction Act* containing the largest climate appropriations in U.S. History. This puts us on a path to at least 40% emissions reduction by 2030.

Here in Trump-dominated Florida there is also progress to report. In August the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) adopted a new rule which sets renewable energy goals for Florida's electric utilities of at least 40% by 2030, 63% by 2035, 82% by 2040 and 100% by 2050. We can thank young people from across the state who, working in coordination with the organization Our Children's Trust and local co-counsel, filed a petition for this rule-making in January of this year.

Even closer to home, this summer both Sanibel and Cape Coral joined the *Florida Race to Zero* cohort when they were awarded scholarships by the Florida League of Cities that will allow them to access technical assistance and expertise of national and regional organizations as they strive to achieve carbon neutrality.

Looking toward the future, in our August meeting, CAT initiated a campaign for the All Faiths Unitarian Congregation to join the *UU Statement of Commitment in Response to Climate Forced Displacement*. This is a problem that will only grow more challenging as climate change forces more people out of their homes. It is already creating serious immigration problems in nations around the world, including our own. The All Faiths Board of Directors has approved our seeking your authorization to join this campaign. We will be sharing more information about this later this month.

Ariel Hoover and Bob Moore are leaders of the Lee County Chapter of *Climate Reality*, one of our team's partner organizations, and they spoke to us about an upcoming

program. Bob is presently very involved in starting a Lee County solar co-op in association with *Solar Neighbors*. Prior to the pandemic, All Faiths partnered with *Solar Neighbors* in the formation of a solar co-op, and this opportunity has presented itself again. Since Bob and Ariel are currently in Massachusetts, Carol presented our request to the Board at its August meeting, and we received the Board's approval to proceed with joining the solar co-op. The Board also requested that we schedule an informational presentation for our congregation in the near future explaining how the co-op functions and what it offers to those interested in solar panels. We will be announcing the date soon (probably in October or early November).

To learn more about CAT activities and those of the numerous organizations with whom we partner, add your name to our mailing list by sending your name, email address and phone number to Joan Marshall at jfmdbm@yahoo.com. And, of course, you are always welcome to attend our monthly CAT meeting on Zoom at 1:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month. Hope to see you there.

CAT ZOOM link: <https://zoom.us/j/7787257501>

ODYSSEY

WITH RACHEL SPILLER

SEPTEMBER 28 - 7:00 P.M. - AT ALL FAITHS

Our monthly Odysseys resume this month with *Rachel Spiller* in the spotlight! Joyce Ramay will facilitate with Q&A session to follow. Always fun and interesting, we hope you will join us.

SEPTEMBER SHARE-THE-PLATE: SWFL RESET CENTER

At the recommendation of our Climate Action Team, the beneficiary of the September Share-the-Plate Collection will be the SWFL RESET Center.

The SWFL RESET Center is a physical place with facilities and capabilities to share resources, set common goals, and augment outreach on environmental and related issues of regional importance. It will help to answer the urgent need to bring diverse organizations together for maximal impact within and beyond our region.

The mission of the SWFL RESET Center is to serve as a consensus-building hub inspiring collaborative local and regional actions through transformative education to reset human impacts on the natural world.

by Barb McFarlane

The Heart for Homeless team is meeting this month after taking two months off. Meetings are open to everyone, so if you have an interest or curiosity, please show up Thursday September 22 at 2:00 pm at All Faiths. (Treats may be served!).

Despite not meeting, the team's work continued over the summer with bike donations and the successful school uniform collection. The team is grateful that All Faiths members have generously supported all of our collections conducted over the past four years.

We hope to see you September 22nd.

LEE INTERFAITH FOR EMPOWERMENT UPDATES

by Marsha Bates, Team Leader

At its August 15 meeting, Fort Myers City Council amended the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ordinance that it had passed on January 31 to include some of Lee Interfaith for Empowerment's (LIFE's) suggested changes. The amendments to the original ordinance now provide for:

- varied methods to raise funds for the trust;
- a plan for administering the fund;
- incentives for developers to build affordable housing.

Also, the ordinance now includes guidelines to assure housing remains affordable on a long-term basis and establishes a sliding income scale for rental assistance. These changes are not only a victory for LIFE, but also for low-income families struggling to make rent payments.

This month, All Faiths will kick off its LIFE 2022-23 activities with Team Meetings (a/k/a House Parties). At those gatherings, attendees will be able to express their concerns about social justice issues in Lee County and suggest an initiative LIFE should pursue in the upcoming year. Please say *yes* when a Team Lead invites you to participate. Times and dates will be forthcoming.

Contact information for All Faiths' Team Leads:

- Marsha Bates (740-278-2357)
- Barb McFarlane (651-808-8271)
- Michelle Gemma (781-913-5122)

JOYS & SORROWS

With our apologies for any omissions, here are the joys & sorrows expressed by our members in July and August.

Donalie Benyak came down with COVID-19. We are happy that she has recovered and returned to Sunday services.

Doug and Diane Cartwright celebrated their 50th anniversary at home this year. They had to cancel their planned cruise because Doug had stent surgery. After some healing time, he will be having additional surgery for aortic aneurism.

Janet Falk came down with COVID-19 in July. We are happy that she has recovered and returned to Sunday services.

Eileen and Jeff Moran's son passed away in California in July. We extend our sympathy to their family.

Rev. Wayne Robinson, our founding minister, celebrated his 85th birthday with us at our Sunday service on August 14th when he delivered the message.

Mildred Smith passed away after a long decline in health. She was 94 years old. We extend our sympathy to her family and loved ones.

Nova Spiller was formally dedicated in a ceremony at our Sunday service on August 14th. We are delighted to have this recognition of Nova as a member of our All Faiths family.

Mary Ellen Taylor passed away in July after a long battle with cancer. She was a long-time member of All Faiths. We extend our sympathy to her family.

Bob Way was hospitalized for weakness and spent some time in rehab. The good news is that he is doing better now and has come back to services.

The Heart for the Homeless Team delivered 44 uniform items to Colonial Elementary School last week. They were gratefully received by social worker, Camille John, and added to their ability to serve their homeless students. Thank you to the people who contributed to this important effort to enhance the welfare of needy children and their families.



TREASURER'S REPORT

by John Conrad, Treasurer

Balance Sheet: Cash Assets – July 2022

First Horizon Checking	\$ 5,560
First Horizon Op. Reserve	25,710
Live Oak Op. Res. CD	20,933
Raymond James Legacy	22,480
Pay Pal	35
First Horizon Capital Checking	822
First Horizon Capital Reserve	24,600
Total	\$100,141
Prior Month	<u>101,729</u>
Net Loss	(\$ -1,589)

July 2022 Profit & Loss

Operating Income	\$ 14,375
Operating Expense	<u>16,590</u>
Net Loss	(\$ -2,215)

Comments:

- Revenue/Operating Income and Expenses:
 - No unusual expenses were incurred.
 - The Income was slightly lower than budgeted; but this is normal as snow birds leave for the summer. Our Pledge Goal through July was \$69,991.00; and \$59,764 was received. Your generosity is appreciated!
- The monthly transfer/deposit of \$1,150 to the Capital Reserve account was made. No Capital expenses were incurred.
- A \$5,280 contract for the paver patio was completed. Funding for this was available from the gift from the estate of Ed Fulker. And major tree trimming around the patio was performed also at a \$1,200 expense.
- In June, \$150 was collected for BLUU (Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism- Racial Equity Team); and in July, \$400 was collected for Visuality (LGBTQ Team).



Ice Cream Social

After Service

Sunday, September 18, 2022

THE CHOIR IS CALLING ON YOU!

The All Voices Choir rehearsals will resume on Saturday, September 10 at 2pm.

We are seeking people of all ages who enjoy singing. No auditions required. Our weekly music rehearsals are fun, engaging and highly educational.

Come alone, or bring a friend as we begin our 2022-2023 musical adventures at All Faiths!!

With harmony and love,
Carlos Garcia, Music Director
ceegeefm@gmail.com

ACMA LIVE MUSIC!

The Americana Community Music Association's Facebook page is updated every Saturday with YouTube or music links for scheduled artists for that date.

Saturday, Sept. 24 - 7:00pm

Jon Shain & FJ Venture
with Mike McMillan opening

Sunday, Sept. 25 - 2:00pm

Jon Shair Workshop



The Listening Room at All Faiths

2756 McGregor Blvd.
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

General public \$18/Member discount \$12
Donations at the Door

Check ACMA Facebook or website:
www.americanacma.org for more info.

RACIAL EQUITY TEAM PLANS LISTENING PROJECT

by Rebecca Ross

The Racial Equity Team is planning to embark on a project that we believe will be an important step in helping us, the congregants of All Faiths, to live into the 8th Principle.

- This small group listening program will offer people the opportunity to share their experiences around race and take a personal step on their racial journey.
- This will happen in small groups of only three participants: two congregants and a facilitator.
- Church members who are already good listeners will be recruited and trained to facilitate this program.
- This is a program that was developed by two members of West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church in Rocky River, OH (Becky's former church). These two women have been involved in racial justice and racial equity initiatives in their church for many years.

What will people do in the sessions?

- They will be asked to share about their life experience on the question of race and racism.
- It is not easy to talk about race and racism for many people. The goal is to create a safe, confidential environment where people can share their stories.
- Participants might want to share how they were raised, what the influences in their school or community had on them, what employment experiences and personal readings have influenced them, how the Unitarian Universalist church's emphasis on social justice impacted them, where you are now, and so on.

How will facilitators be trained?

- They will be trained over Zoom by the members of West Shore UU Church who trained their church's facilitators. They have also trained a UU congregation in Framingham, MA who recently completed the program.

When will it take place?

- The program is in the early stages of development and we are currently working on a timeline. We want the program to take place when we have more members physically here to maximize the opportunity for participation.

What will it cost?

- There is no cost to participants. Costs for the training, which requires two half days, will be covered by private donations to West Shore UU Church.



Rev. CJ McGregor, Ministry: May 2017-August 2022



wishing
you 
ALL THE BEST



WHY VOLUNTEER AT YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME?

by an Anonymous Volunteer

♥ Volunteering Will Give Your Life Greater Purpose

There are numerous important causes in the world and quality places to volunteer your time. But volunteering at your spiritual home is where your efforts could result in someone's life being changed for eternity.

♥ Volunteering Will Foster Lifelong Friendships

There is a unique relational bond which comes from "being in the foxhole" with someone and serving together. You will make numerous personal connections and lifelong friends because of your volunteerism at All Faiths.

♥ Volunteering Helps Others

Serving others relieves suffering, benefits the under-resourced, meets the needs of the marginalized, provides hope, and improves the quality of people's lives.

♥ Volunteering Will Make You A Better Thinker

Being a quality volunteer requires sacrifice, study and prep-

aration. Volunteering at your spiritual home will make you smarter.

♥ Volunteering At All Faiths Will Make the Congregation Stronger

As we search for a new minister, nothing will impress a prospective candidate more than a congregation that has a cohesive, strong, compassionate membership with dedicated leadership and a strong volunteer base.

There are opportunities for you to volunteer at All Faiths right now. Please consider donating your time and talent in the following areas: **Building & Grounds** needs weeders & waterers; **Membership** needs greeters and a greeter coordinator; **Sunday Service Team** needs volunteers to livestream the services on Sunday; **Racial Equity Team** needs support for their upcoming listening project. Please see sign-up sheets on the bulletin board or call the office at 239-226-0900.

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Deadline for the **October** Issue of *Connections* is **September 18**

(Brief announcements may be accepted later, and will be included *if* space and time permit.)



OFFICE HOURS: 9am to 4pm, Monday–Thurs;
9am to 12pm, Friday & Sunday.
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