



News & Notes

There is still space left in the **Building Your Own Theology** adult religious education class which begins on Wednesday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. If you'd like to join the class, please contact Chris Johns or David Boone.

Join the **UU Women's Group** on Monday, March 17 at 7:00 p.m. at **Pho Saigon** at 2601 Salem Church Rd., near the Salem Church Library. Enjoy casual conversation with new and old friends as we share a bite to eat. No reservations necessary—just drop by! Newcomers are always encouraged to attend. Check out "["UUFF Women's Group"](#)" on Facebook.

The **UU Men's Group** continues to meet each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. at Primavera Pizzeria & Grill, 600 William street. Newcomers are always welcome to join the group.

Music makers of all ages, levels, and instruments are welcome to join our **Monday Music Gathering**, which meets every other Monday in the high school classroom from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (March 10 and 24). For more info, contact Lee Criscuolo.

The **Insight Meditation Community of Fredericksburg** meets on Thursdays in Dragonfly Yoga Studio (810 Caroline Street) at 7:00 p.m. for sitting and walking meditation, or Mindful Listening. Visit www.meditatefred.com for the schedule and details.

Wintry weather? To see if the service has been cancelled, call the Fellowship at 310-4001, visit www.uuffva.org or www.b1015.com, or listen to B101.5 radio.

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Stewardship Campaign Enters Homestretch—Almost Party Time!



The deadline for submitting your **Funding the Vision—Making it Happen** pledge is Sunday, March 16. By now you have probably been contacted by a volunteer to personally discuss the campaign. If not, please call Kit Carver.

Over the past few Sundays, we've heard friends share why they are UUs and why they support the Fellowship with their pledges. The reasons given for financial stewardship differed but one theme ran through each: "The UUFF setting empowers personal growth and development in all aspects of spiritual and human relationships."

This year, our stewardship campaign has highlighted raising the additional funds needed to find and support a full-time minister. Accomplishing this goal

will help us strengthen what we cherish as a liberal religious community.

The finish line is in sight; we all need to make sure our feet are on the pedals.

However, all work and no play is not the UU way!

That's why you have an invitation to attend the **Stewardship Celebration Party**. It will be held on **Saturday, March 22, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Don't miss this opportunity to connect with new and old friends. Stroll to the Burrito, Taco Salad and Nacho Bars to fashion your custom feast. Create a crazy moment in time at the Photo Booth and groove the night away to the sweet sounds of the band "Reunion." Mark your calendars now.

—Stewardship Committee

Stewardship Celebration Party

SATURDAY, MARCH 22 • 6-9 PM

PETE SEEGER TRIBUTE

Sat., March 8 ▪ 4:00-8:30 pm ▪ Soup & Stew Potluck

4:00 pm: Jam Session for musicians

5:30 pm: Viewing of film, *Pete Seeger: The Power of Song*

7:30 pm: Sing-along of Seeger songs

All ages welcome.

Co-sponsored by the Social Justice and Music Committees.

See Social Justice and Arts Beat columns for more information.



FROM THE Minister's Desk

Rev. Walter Braman



I was just thinking:

As a federal judge has ruled Virginia's ban on same sex marriage unconstitutional, I hear there are those who will continue the fight against it. Dear brothers and sisters, want to fight sin? Really? Let's feed the poor.

Shall I judge the local drivers by those who cut me off in traffic or those who let me in? I'll go with the latter. Shall I judge the human community by those who lose touch with others or by those who reach out to others? I'll go with the latter.

After two days of grumbling about shoveling the snow, I was treated to a full moon over a snow covered field. Been there, done that? No, it's still awesome.

Forty-nine years ago, I traveled to DC with classmates from Andover Newton Theological School to demonstrate and advocate for the 1965 Voting Rights Act. We saw it happen. Now I read that students from Andover Newton went to Raleigh, NC, to advocate for voting rights. Forty-nine years – when will we learn? What is more sacred in community bonding than the right and the power to vote? How dare we deny anyone a place in the circle?

Speaking of that: I am reminded of the games we played in grammar school – always competitive (races, relay races, kickball, etc.). We had a classmate

who competed well and had more than her share of victories. But occasionally she fell behind in a game and would stop play with, "OK, new rule," and come up with some crazy rule that insured her victory. As eight year olds, we did not accept it. I see much that same thinking in voter suppression and feel we need to speak up as the UUA and my alma mater have done. We do not accept it now.

After three and a half years, I am greatly moved by the community that has been built here at UUFF. Well done, all of you.

Wishing you the love that I see you sharing with others every time I come to 25.

Love to you all,
Walter



RE Views

CHRIS JOHNS, Director of Religious Education

Just when I think everything is starting to settle down around here – poof! – just like that! Another change. Well, I've said it before and I have a feeling I will say it again, if there is one word that sums up this year, it is change. We went from one service to two and then back to one. Added a Pre-K/K class. Moved the Middle School class to the Board room. I am grateful for your patience and flexibility through it all. And I am pleased to report that we have done it with a smile.

I suppose it should be noted that after years in the strip mall, and then taking some time to adjust to the new building, adding a new Adult RE class could be considered a change, too. I happen to know that David Boone is working hard on creating an exciting program and I look forward to the adults out there getting their turn to learn!

Here is an excerpt from *Building Your Own Theology* to wet your whistles:

"Ultimately, we are all theologians. We all ponder the great life issues. In BYOT we ponder out loud and share our thoughts on these issues. What does spirituality mean to you? How is your spiritual health? We will write our own spiritual autobiography. We will discuss what inspires us, realizing that it plays

an integral part in our spirituality. Inspiration has many sources, thus we will draw upon many sources, whether they be literature, art, movies, or our everyday experiences."

Want to see more? Learn more? Sign up! There is still time.

But the change I am referring to, which is perhaps the biggest change of all, happened quietly and quickly and without much fanfare: the transition from one committee chair to another. I am very grateful to Jenn Navarrete as she steps down. She was there through a difficult time and I appreciate that she stuck in there with me.

Our new chair is also newish to us. Some of you may not know Kirsten Willis; maybe you know her children, but please take the time to seek her out and introduce yourself. Kirsten is tackling her new job with energy and enthusiasm. A lifelong UU, Kirsten brings a perspective to our department that very few of us can begin to have. Kirsten was a UU kid. And she understands what a UU kid needs. What an unexpected treasure.

Here is what Kirsten has to say as she steps into her new position at the UUFF:

"I grew up in a UU fellowship, and have been involved in several UU churches over the years. I am happy to have found UUFF, and love the way my three daughters are fitting in here. As a parent, it's great to watch our kids having fun together as they begin their own spiritual journeys! We have quite a large RE program for a fellowship of this size, and I am looking forward to being the RE committee chair and working with Chris and the families here to add to our already vibrant programs. I feel that an RE program that has something to offer everyone, whether or not they have children at the Fellowship, is essential for us as individuals and as a fellowship. I hope people will share their ideas and volunteer their time to this vital area of programming!"

So I guess that's it for now. I hope to see you down the hall. If you aren't sure who Kirsten is, I will be happy to introduce you to her.

As I close this month's installment of RE Views, I am reminded that we are coming up on the month of March and wondering if it will come in like a lion or like a lamb. If all the busy-ness down the Religious Education hall is any indication, I predict "lion!"

–Chris Johns

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



How Important is UUFF to You?

We've begun the Stewardship Campaign and Kit Carver and her team are working enthusiastically to help us reach our financial goal.

As they undertake this critical and challenging task, it strikes me that now is the perfect time to reflect on what the Fellowship has meant to each of us, and what we continue to draw from it. In this spirit, a few questions come to mind:

Have you found a community of people who share your values?

Have you made close friends at the Fellowship?

Have you found a supportive community when you've experienced personal difficulty?

Do you enjoy the beautiful building we now call home?

Do you look forward to Sunday services?

If you have children, have they found friends and developed through RE classes?

Are you inspired by the music performances?

You might not answer yes to all of the above and you no doubt can think of others. But if the answers to any of them are yes, I'd ask you to consider how you can best give back to the Fellowship.

The financial need has never been greater. If we are to meet the aspirations of our membership, we need to come up with the wherewithal to support a full-time minister, additional building expenses, and other operating costs. Please pledge as generously as you can afford to support these vital goals.

We Need Volunteers

While financial support is critical, we also need members and friends to contribute their time, energy, and creativity. Our recent efforts to recruit volunteers for the many tasks that make the Fellowship a vibrant community have thus far met with some success, but many important needs are still going unmet. Please consider how your time and energy can best help our community, and drop a filled-out form in the "volunteer" basket in the gathering hall. If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact me.

This is a defining moment in the Fellowship's long history. It needs the support of all members and friends, young and old; those with us for many years and those new among us. Please do what you can!

—Diane Elstein

DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS



We've got a good thing going here at UUFF. But have you ever given thought to how we could make our good thing even better? And how we could share it with others? How do we get the word out about our Fellowship? How do we let others know about Unitarian Universalism? And how do we join with others to do the work that we, as religious liberals, are called upon to do? This month, I want to tell you about two exciting opportunities to explore answers to those questions.

The first, coming up on **March 29**, is the annual **Tidewater Cluster gathering** in Newport News. This year's theme is *Shine, Strengthen, and Ignite*. Members from the seven UU congregations in the Cluster will gather to worship, to share ideas, and to brainstorm. We'll meet in workshops to discuss small-group ministry, membership, music, social justice, using social media to get the word out, capital campaigns, ministering to young adults, and governance as a spiritual practice.

Jim Key will give the keynote speech. Jim is a former President of the Southeast District, and was elected UUA Moderator at the UUA General Assembly in 2013. As Moderator, Jim is the Chief Governance

Officer, the highest volunteer position within the association. Jim will have an important influence on the work of the UUA, and this is your chance to get to know him better.

This is an opportunity for members of congregations in our cluster to avoid reinventing the wheel, as we all talk with each other about what we've tried and how it's worked. These gatherings make it clear that whatever issues our congregation is facing, other congregations are likely facing them, too. The information shared can often be adapted for our use.

We, likewise, have helpful information to share with other congregations. Having successfully negotiated both a capital campaign and building experience, we can offer lessons we have learned to help others. Everyone is urged to attend this wonderful day of fellowship and sharing. Watch the weekly announcements and Facebook group posts for information about how to register.

The second opportunity to become involved is **General Assembly 2014** which will be held in Providence, RI, June 25-29. GA 2014 will focus on *Love Reaches Out*, with an eye to sharing our faith both within and beyond our congregations'

walls, especially to the numerous people whose beliefs are totally in sync within Unitarian Universalism but who are not yet members.

General Assembly allows participants to help determine the future course of Unitarian Universalism. This year, delegates will choose a new Congregational Study/Action Issue to put resources behind for the next four years. Several changes to the UUA By-Laws will receive their final vote; this will determine how the association operates going forward. Over 100 workshops will be offered, giving members a chance to explore topics from how we can work for social change to what people hope for in spiritual communities; from how we strengthen our financial resources to how we develop skilled and well-grounded lay leaders, clergy and staff.

All that and time to chat with, work with, sing with, and enjoy the company of over 3500 UUs from across the nation and around the world. GA registration opens in March, and those registering before March 31 receive a reduced rate. The weekly announcements will let you know when registration opens.

—Lois Colbride

At Your Service Auction

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 ■ 6 PM



Auction time is right around the corner! Our **At Your Service Auction** on **Saturday, April 12**, gives the congregation an opportunity to bid on a variety of donated items and services. The evening includes great food and plenty of time for socializing, and our auctioneers always keep the laughs coming.

The night starts with our Silent Auction at 6:00 p.m. These are brand new retail items with a value of at least \$25 (no used items, please). To help keep the evening to a more manageable length, we'll place some of the catalog offerings designed for one bidder into the silent auction. As with last year, donations from local businesses are most welcome, and Doug Wall would love to hear from you if you would be willing to help solicit contributions.

As always, the live auction at 7:00 p.m. is the centerpiece of the evening, and the success of this major fundraiser depends on your generous donations. Throw a party, cook a meal, plan an excursion, offer a vacation rental, watch a child, fix a faucet, plant a garden, paint a room. If you are unfamiliar with the auction, we'll have sample catalogs available at the Fellowship, so you can see the types of offerings we've had in the past.

As the auction approaches, auction forms will be available at the Fellowship and online. The deadline for getting items into the auction catalog will be **Sunday, March 30**. Need ideas? Have questions? Contact Maryann Brown.

As always, volunteers to help the evening run smoothly are a must. To lend your services, contact Doug Wall.

—Maryann Brown

COMMUNITY ACTION CORNER



Rebuilding Together

Community Action needs a house captain and volunteers to sign up for *Rebuilding Together*, a program that helps repair and rehabilitate homes in the area for those in need. The workday is held on the last Saturday in April, the 26th. We also need volunteers who can give a little time (unscheduled) before then as there is usually more work than can be accomplished on Rebuilding day.

If you can help, please contact Curtis Swinburne. For more information on the local *Rebuilding Together* organization, visit www.rebuildingtogetherfbg.org/Pages/affiliates.aspx.

—Curt Swinburne

Annual donations

Every year, in addition to Share the Plate, the Fellowship gives to the following worthwhile organizations as a part of our outreach tradition:

Interfaith Community Council - \$200

Empowerhouse (formerly Rappahannock Council on Domestic Violence) - \$100

Hope House - \$100

Community Access Program (Salvation Army) - \$100

UU United Nations Office - \$50

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) - \$250

Thank you for your continued support of our outreach efforts.

VEGETARIAN GROUP



Escape Fire: The Fight to Rescue American Healthcare

What is the number one killer of Americans today? It's not cancer, it's heart disease, and it has been on top for years. Surprised? A largely preventable disease, an estimated \$183 billion was spent on treating this condition in 2009! Yet according to the CDC, "At least 200,000 of [the deaths caused by heart disease and stroke] could have been prevented through changes in health habits." At the same time, diabetes-related mortalities are on the rise, with related costs also skyrocketing.

Yet, three quarters of our nation's healthcare costs go to treatment of our illnesses, not prevention. We are being given Band-Aids, instead of hard hats. And between the nearly \$300 billion spent each year on drugs ("nearly as much as the rest of the world combined") and a deep-rooted system where companies bank on us getting sick, everyone knows our healthcare system is in crisis.

But what if YOU could make a big difference in these numbers? What if YOU could choose to change this sick and dying healthcare system with your individual choices? Could you escape the fire it has become?

On **Saturday, March 1**, from **10:30-1:00** at the **Salem Church Library**, join the Veg Group for the newly released, powerful film, *Escape Fire*, and a lively discussion led by a panel of local doctors: Jeff Bowers, D.C., Chris Lillis, M.D., and Patrick Neustatter, M.D. Get fired up to take charge of your health!

Of course, no Veg Group meeting would be complete without healthful and delicious food! We will enjoy the film and fellowship with a light brunch. Please bring a vegetarian or vegan dish to share (finger foods, please!), or small donation.

As this meeting is at the library, with limited seating, we will be eating on our laps, so please be sure your dish is easy to eat! We will provide drinks and compostable paper goods. In addition, due to a children's event that day, parking will be limited. Please carpool and come early! While you wait, you can browse the library's huge collection of veg cookbooks and reserve a copy of *Escape Fire* on DVD for your own home-viewing party. This is one film that you will want to share with everyone you know!

Questions? Contact Gloria Lloyd or Christine Carlson.

—Christine Carlson



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 20, 7:00-9:00 pm: SJC book discussion of A. Chomsky, *They Take Our Jobs*. Discussion leader: Vashtye Ferguson. All are welcome to discuss the 20 most common myths concerning immigrants. Thoreau Room.

Social Justice Committee Meeting precedes book discussion, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Thoreau Room. New members welcome.

March 8, 4:00-8:30 pm: *Pete Seeger: The Power of Song*. We will celebrate the life of our beloved UU Pete Seeger. A musicians' jam session starts at 4 p.m., followed by Seeger's biographical film *The Power of Song* and then a sing-along. Please bring crockpots of soup or stew or finger foods for a potluck to be enjoyed during the movie. Co-sponsored by the Music Committee. Leader: Alane Callander.

March 15: UUFF will host UUs from across the state who have joined the UU Legislative Ministry of Virginia at their next meeting. See Becky Reed, Barry Clark, Chris Folger, or Pat Smith for details about the group.

March 20, 7:00-9:00 pm: Documentary film screening and discussion of *Papers*. The film tells the stories of some undocumented young people who immigrated to this country as children. The discussion will be led by an area 'Dreamer' who has her own personal story to tell. Meeting hall.

Social Justice Committee Meeting precedes film screening, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Thoreau Room.

If you have questions about these events, or can help make these events a success, please contact Pat Smith.

—Pat Smith



Sunday Discussion Group



The Sunday Discussion Group meets after the service on most first, third, and fifth Sundays from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in the

Clara Barton (Board) room. If you are not on the regular discussion group email distribution and wish to be informed of the meetings, please email Stew Engel. Visit our website at <http://uuffva.org/home/congregational-life/interest-groups/sunday-discussion-group>. All are welcome to participate or just sit in on discussions of interest.

The topics scheduled for the near future are:

Mar. 2: *What do we morally OWE others because we share the same species?*

Mar. 16: *What do we morally OWE others because we share the same nationality?*

Mar. 30: *Human rights: Are we our neighbors' keeper?*

—Stew Engel

ArtsBeat

Happy Belated Valentine's Day and President's Day everyone. We are well into prepping for the upcoming spring season of music with all the musical organizations at UUFF. By the time you read this, Adult Choir will have performed "Seize the Day" from Disney's *Newsies* and the "Colors of My Life" from *Barnum*, and will be moving on to "Let It Be" by Lennon/McCartney and Garth Brooks's "We Shall Be Free" amongst others. Handchimes are still prepping Two Songs Sung to Dogs: "Tomorrow" from *Annie*, and "Over the Rainbow" from *The Wizard of Oz*, to be presented on March 2. I can't say I know what the UUth are prepping at the moment but you can be sure they are up to something good. And speaking of good, we would like to welcome Susan Kosior as the newest member of the Adult Choir.

From the desk of Alane Callander: In tribute to the legendary folk singer/songwriter Pete Seeger, who died recently at the age of 94, the UUFF Social Justice and Music Committees are co-sponsoring a tribute to our fellow Unitarian Universalist. The memorial event will take place on Saturday, March 8 in the Moncure Conway Fellowship Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Here's the schedule: 4:00 to 5:00 pm—Jam Session for musicians playing Seeger's songs; 5:30 p.m.—Viewing of *The Power of Song*, Seeger's authorized biographical film; 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.—a sing-along of favorite songs written by or made famous by Pete Seeger. We'll have a soup & stew potluck during the event, with finger foods, desserts, and beverages, and we ask attendees to bring something for the buffet. This is a family-friendly event, and all ages are welcome. The Music Committee encourages our UUFF musicians and singers to lend your talents to the event and to bring along your non-UU friends and musicians. Those who would like to

help with any aspect of this event should contact Alane directly.

In other arts news about town this month, **Taylor Johns** continues in *Blue's Clues Live* at Riverside Center playing Blue. *Blue* runs through March 15. **Amber French** is appearing in Riverside Center's production of *Gypsy* which runs through March 9 and was music directed by myself. And at Virginia Repertory's historic Hanover Tavern, **Mary Anne Furey**, my wife's sister, plays "Charis" in their mounting of the musical *Olympus on My Mind*. *Olympus* runs through March 16. We have such talented people in and around our congregation. Please join me in supporting their efforts.

Adult Choir rehearses 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Handchimes rehearses 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays, and UUth Choir is on Sunday mornings at 11:45 a.m. We'd love to see you there.

—Jason Michael, Music Director



The Vernal Equinox: New Life Bursting Out!

Do you find what moves you spiritually in a raindrop or a snowflake? Do you find a sense of wonder in the spring flowers bursting forth, the bountiful harvests of summer, the colors of fall, the stark trees of winter? Are you moved by ocean waves, a mountain vista, or a bright night sky? The origins of all thoughts of God, religion, faith, church, spirit, creation, questioning, and science are rooted in the human connection with the world around us. We may know so much more than our earliest ancestors about why things are the way they are, but just as they did, we are able to discover and learn new things when we reach out to touch what is real.

As we explore Wiccan and pagan beliefs, Eastern mysticism, Kabbalah, British legend, native American and other beliefs from around the world, we discover our roots and connect with what is really important. There is no pagan "Bible" that lays down a universal set of guidelines and principles. Instead you will find a mystery religion that doesn't proselytize or actively recruit. In my understanding, no matter how you define your personal religion, we all can find connection in our relationship with the world around us.

While not exclusive to every single tradition, the following are some of the core tenets found in many Earth-Based systems:

- The Divine is present in nature, and so nature should be honored and respected. Everything from animals and plants to trees and rocks are elements of the sacred. Many of us are passionate about the environment.

- The idea of karma and an afterlife is a valid one. What we do in this lifetime will be revisited upon us in the next. The thing we control is the difference we make here and now.

- Our ancestors should be spoken of with honor. Because it's not considered out of the ordinary to commune with the spirit world, many feel that our ancestors are watching over us at all times. We always have their memories.

- The Divine has polarity: both male and female, god and goddess are honored.

- The Divine is present in all of us. We are all sacred beings, and interaction with the gods is not limited just to a priesthood or a select group of individuals.

- Celebrations are based on the turning of the earth and the cycle of the seasons. There is nothing artificial about the marking of the solstices and equinoxes, or the times in between. Long before any formal religions, humans built structures to mark these times.

- Everyone is responsible for their own actions. Personal responsibility is the key. Whether magical or mundane, one must be willing to accept the consequences, either good or bad, of their behavior.

- Harm none. While there are different interpretations of what constitutes harm, most follow the concept that no harm should intentionally be done to another individual.

- Respect the beliefs of others. There's no recruitment, and we are not out to preach at you or convert you. Earth-centered groups

like ours recognize that individuals must find their own spiritual path, without coercion. Like other UUs, there may be some that honor different gods than you do, but they will always respect your right to believe differently.



When I review these basic Wiccan, pagan, earth-based principles against the UU principles and the sources of our living tradition, I find that they are the same.

Ostara Celebration, March 21

Since we moved into Chalice Circle, there have been Earth-Centered Celebrations around the wheel of the year, taking the time to mark our relationship with what is real here in Fredericksburg. We hope to continue that with our potluck feasts, fires, fun, drumming, dancing, and more. Everyone is always welcome. The next Earth-Centered Celebration is **Ostara**, on **March 21 at 6:00 p.m.**, and I'm sure decorated eggs, bunnies, and chicks will all play a part in the celebration – and why not wear green?

Community Circle Forming

Additionally, we are forming an Earth-Centered Community Circle to build connections with each other, further explore and share our ideas, and create real reasons to celebrate in joy throughout the year. If you are interested in learning more, participating in a community circle, or participating in the Earth-Centered Celebrations, contact Craig Cherry.

–Craig Cherry

MARCH UU 101 CLASS

The Membership Committee will be holding a UU 101 class on **Saturday, March 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** If you desire to know more about UUFF and Unitarian Universalism in general, please consider attending this class. Those completing the class will be eligible to sign the book and become a member, but attending the class does not obligate anyone to become a member.

The class will include lunch. Childcare will be available with reservations. Reservations for the class and childcare must be made by March 1. The maximum number for this class is 10 people and there are only 4 slots left. If you need more information or wish to sign up for the class, please contact Anne Little.

–Anne Little



Please welcome our newest members who signed the book in December and January: **Steve Hanna, Amy and Phil Ridderhof, and Miriam Liss.** We're glad to have you with us!

MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Vegetarian Group 10:30 am Salem Church Lib.
2 Service 10:30 am UUth Choir 11:45 am Sun. Discussion 12 noon	3	4 Mood Support Group 10:30 am Adult Choir 7 pm Men's Group 7 pm <i>Primavera</i>	5 OWL 7 pm Handchimes 7:15 pm	6 Council of Committees 7 pm	7	8 UU101 9 am Knitting Circle 12 noon Pete Seeger Tribute 4 pm
9 Service 10:30 am UUth Choir 11:45 am	10 Music Gathering 6:30 pm Sunday Services Comm. 7 pm Community Action 7:30 pm <i>Marriott</i>	11 Friendship Comm. 6:30 pm <i>Marriott</i> Men's Group 7 pm <i>Primavera</i> Adult Choir 7 pm Music Comm. 8:30	12 OWL 7 pm FUUD Group 7 pm Handchimes 7:15 pm	13 Board Meeting 7 pm Great Books 7 pm <i>817 Caroline St.</i>	14	15 UU Legislative Ministry of VA meeting
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23 Service 10:30 am UUth Choir 11:45 am Life Preservers 3 pm <i>Pinschmidts'</i>	24 Music Gathering 6:30 pm	25 Adult Choir 7 pm Men's Group 7 pm <i>Primavera</i>	26 OWL 7 pm Handchimes 7:15	27 RE Comm. 6 pm, <i>Castiglia's</i> Membership 7 pm Great Books 7 pm <i>817 Caroline St.</i>	28	29 Tidewater Cluster meeting <i>Newport News</i>
30 Service 10:30 am UUth Choir 11:45 am Sun. Discussion 12 noon Auction Catalog Deadline	31					

SAVE THE DATE: April 12, At Your Service Auction
 April 26, Rebuilding Together

SUNDAY SERVICES ONE SERVICE AT 10:30 AM

MARCH 2

Does UUFF Have a Soul?, Rev. Walter Braman
 What's behind us all?
The Handchime Choir will perform.

MARCH 9

General Assembly 2013, Lois Colbridge & Nancy Krause
 How can four jam-packed days be reduced to one hour?
 Nancy Krause and Lois Colbridge will do their best as they share with you the joys and challenges of gathering with nearly 3500 other UUs for GA 2013.

MARCH 16

No Irish Need Apply, Rev. Walter Braman
 Some further thoughts on immigration.
The Adult Choir will perform.

MARCH 23

Richard Cizik, Guest Speaker

MARCH 30

SUUSI: What's It All About?
Kit Carver & Randy Walther

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF FREDERICKSBURG

25 Chalice Circle, Fredericksburg, VA 22405



The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fredericksburg fosters a welcoming and intentionally diverse community of those who seek philosophical, spiritual, intellectual or religious growth in a forum of mutual respect. Affirming the principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association, we value social justice, respect the interdependence of all life and are united by a desire to make ethical decisions on issues of mutual concern.

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