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Nature Coast Unitarian Universalist (NCUU) News

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April 2022

SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday, Apr. 3, 2022

Speaker - Lynne Westmoreland



After a 30-year career in music, Lynne Westmoreland returned to graduate work in Humane Education. Humane education considers the intersectionality of human rights, animal protection, environmental concerns, and how our media and culture, beyond our conscious awareness, indoctrinate us to live in ways that are in direct conflict with our most deeply held values. Lynne's work as a humane educator has been in UU faith communities, through teaching meditation and mindful communication, and with end-oflife work. Lynne has been a Unitarian for about 40 years and finds deep commonality between our seven principles and Humane Education.

Topic: "Talk Is Cheap"

Unitarian Universalists have a long history of acting on behalf of our deeply held belief that everyone should be accorded dignity, respect, equal rights, and inclusion and we discuss that belief often in our services, our outreach, and our daily lived lives. Simultaneously, we are stymied by the fact that more people of color are not drawn to our communities. What more can we do to make everyone feel welcome, respected, and valued as members of our communities?

Sunday, Apr. 10, 2022

Annual Meeting

Sunday, Apr. 17, 2022

Speaker – Carole Yorke



Rev. Carole has been visiting us at NCUU since about 2000, and is delighted that you continue to invite her to guest preach. Now retired in Port St. Lucie with her three Pomeranians, she has served three churches in Florida. She was ordained in Plainfield, NJ, almost 25 years ago and continues to preach occasionally, do memorial services, and lead bereavement groups at the UU Fellowship of Vero Beach.

Topic: "We Can Roll Our Own Rocks"

Celebrating the earth's resurrection rhythms at this time of year is fine, as far as it goes. But this Easter morning, I am looking for something spiritually deeper and more theologically sustaining to affirm in my heart. This Easter (when war, violence, hatred, and suffering are so prevalent -- and hope, peace and gentleness so elusive), I am personally seeking a meaning for Easter that will make a deep-down and sustaining difference in my spiritual life -- and last longer in my heart than a daffodil. So, what Easter meaning can arrive at our Unitarian Universalist hearts, making a real and transforming difference?

Sunday, Apr. 24, 2022

Speaker – James Schear, Ph.D

Topic: "Community Building with Enkindled and Like-Minded Souls"

NCUU Board of Directors

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Social Activities	Matthew Ciszewski and Pam Ricker
Social Justice	Don Wright
Sunday Service	Pam Ricker
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Board of Directors

Our board meeting is Monday, Apr. 11 (Second Monday of the month) at 10:30 a.m. If you want to place an item on the board agenda, please send it to the clerk, Margo Wilson (<u>clerkatncuu@gmail.com</u>), about a week in advance.

NCUU Pledges



NCUU Pledges and Youtube Video

Our Fellowship is still functioning and has ongoing expenses. Click the above link if you are viewing this on your email to watch the video. We are open. Please find it in your generous hearts to keep your pledges and gifts up to date. Many thanks to all of you. Checks should be sent to:

Nature Coast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship P.O. Box 94 Holder, FL 34445

Connie Hart

NCUU Calendar

Please send additions, deletions, updates, and edits to Gordon Hart, gchshutterbug@gmail.com, so that he may keep the calendar updated on our website, ncuu.org.



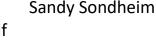
April Birthdays



If your birthday is not included, and your name is not on this list, please notify the editor: ahaiken@yahoo.com. Birthdays

will be celebrated for now with a card from the Caring Committee. Please take time to text, call, or email these members this month.

Wanda Brown Sa Mary Louise DeWolf





Finance Committee

The Finance Committee currently seeks to fill a vacancy. Anyone interested should contact Shirley Leonard at (781) 264-5098 or email reportersr@hotmail.com.

Share the Plate – April

The NCUU Board of Directors selected UUA's Emergency Fund for Ukraine to receive the money we collect through Share the Plate in April. From the UUA website: As Unitarian Universalists, we recognize the invasion of Ukraine as a manifestation of imperial aggression. Let us unite in solidarity with the Ukrainian people in our ongoing efforts to seek liberation for all and to dismantle oppression in all its forms. For more information, visit <u>UUA.org</u>.

Holly

Announcements

Send Sunday Morning Announcements To: <u>Contactncuu@Gmail.com</u> Write "For Announcements" in the subject line. Deadline is the Friday before Sunday service.

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Fundraiser Dance

The African American Club is having a scholarship fundraiser dance on Saturday, April 23.

I suppose not many of us are avid dancers, but it would be fun and generous if we can get 8 together for a table. The cost is \$20 per person, and it includes the set-up and music. The event will be at the Knights of Columbus hall, located on 486.

It's *BYO everything to consume. We* can each bring our own food, not bring any food, or pot luck share. The dance will be from 7 p.m. until closing.

Share this. Vaccinated only. I will make reservations if we have any interest. <u>rubitime@gmail.com</u> to R.S.V.P.

-- Linda Myers

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April 17 Easter Pot Luck

The Social Activities Committee invites NCUU members and friends to join us in our first social gathering since our last corned beef and cabbage feast in March of 2020. We will enjoy an Easter Pot Luck right after our Sunday service on April 17.

There will be a sign-up sheet out on April 3 with pot luck suggestions for all who wish to attend. Seatings will reflect our need to social distance. The NCUU will provide roast turkey breast (and gravy), and baked ham.

You may bring up to four guests.

Also, we will be remembering our four members who passed away during the two years of closure: Charlotte Langley, Roger Adams, Lynne Carole Baker, and Ginny Fitzgerald. We will relay our memories of these beloved friends.

Thanks, Pam



Newsletter Deadline

Please Remember That The Deadline For The Next Newsletter Is Apr. 23, 2022. Please Adhere To This Deadline; otherwise, your material won't be included in the newsletter.

All request entries should be sent to the email address: ncuu.news@gmail.com. That will make it easier to keep all requests organized in one place. Please send the proofread text and photo attachments.

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Amy

Caring Committee

Jeanne Wright has graciously agreed to be the Caring Contact for NCUU. If you or a member you know is ill, hospitalized or has a death in the family, please let Jeanne know. Her email address is jeannewright@bellsouth.net. She'll also be sending birthday cards and informing us of special anniversaries and celebrations. Dolores Harding will be assisting Jeanne. Thank you, Jeanne and Dolores!

Wildlife Club Meeting

Wildlife Club Meetings return to NCUU. NCUU welcomes The Wildlife Club, under the direction of Brenda Roberts, as it resumes meetings on Tuesday, April 26th, at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in the program may attend.

At this time, we're asking attendees to be fully vaccinated and masked. The program this month will be about rehabilitating small mammals. <u>blr768@tampabay.rr.com</u>

Wildhart Photography

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The photographs on the walls of the sanctuary can be purchased with 50% off the purchase price going to NCUU.

Talk to Gordon Hart if interested.

Please check out <u>wildhartphotography.com</u> for more of Gordon's photographs.

The same deal will be honored if someone from the congregation wants to order a photo from the website.



Grounds Work Day

Even though we're in a winter lull, the plants and weeds keep growing. If you are looking for a way to get out of the house, maintain social distancing (6 feet to whatever you are comfortable with), and get some fresh air and exercise, Sally and I would be happy for you to join us on the first Friday every month between sunup and 11 a.m. Even if it is for just an hour before the heat builds up, you are welcome!

Bree Hill

