



FULL SUNDAY SERVICES WLL RESUME IN THE FALL

"<u>Summer Gatherings</u>" over the summer! July schedule listed below.

SUMMER GATHERING UPDATE: JULY 1 for <u>SHOW TIME 3:45 p.m.</u> afternoon matinee Movie Outing at Tropic Cinema, 416 Eaton Street. One Island Family members & friends are gathering at the Tropic for a showing of "WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR" including cast members Fred Rogers, Joanne Rogers, and Yo-Yo Ma.

"Fred Rogers used puppets and play to explore complex social issues: race, disability, equality and tragedy, helping form the American concept of childhood. He spoke directly to children and they responded enthusiastically. But have we lived up to Fred's ideal of good neighbors? From Academy Award-winning filmmaker Morgan Neville ("20 Feet from Stardom"), "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" is an intimate portrait of a man we all think we know. This emotional and moving documentary takes us beyond the zip-up cardigans and the land of make-believe, and into the heart of a creative genius who inspired generations of children with compassion and limitless imagination." Check in with Marilyn Smith if you'd like to go. (Call or text 305-304-3592). Scholarships are available for tickets to the show!

JULY 15, 11 a.m. at One Island Family- "Storytime for adults" (Astoria Nickerson, facilitator) Storytime is, by definition, intriguing. Our readings will be the adult equivalent of a children's story hour, less about appreciating artistry and more about losing oneself in narrative. Being read to is beautiful at any age. Please join us as we read some of our favorite stories. As Nancy Hurston has said, "We alone see our existence on earth as an arc. A curve that takes us from birth to beyond. A shape that unfolds in time, with a beginning, a series of adventures, and an end. In other words; a narrative." After all our need for story doesn't go away at a certain age. Let's get together and enjoy refreshments and storytelling. (If you are willing to be a reader, please bring a favorite short story. Or come to be a listener!!)



News & Notes

President's Message JULY 2018

One of my favorite UU quotes is: "At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us." (Albert Schweitzer)

Personally I get restored and inspired by you, the members and friends of our One Island Family community, when I see or hear from you. I enjoy sharing with you when we gather, and over the summer we are doing that more casually, with picnics and swim parties and some of my favorite summertime happenings. During June we hosted a climb of the Key West lighthouse and a picnic in Key Haven Park. For July we are planning an afternoon movie at the Tropic Cinema and a fun Sunday morning program of short story reading. We'd like to hear from you if you have suggestions for your best ways to "beat the heat" and enjoy our Key West summer. If you are in town, please join us!

I am also energized by hearing about the larger Unitarian Universalist community. As I write this I am planning to watch the UUA General Assembly (June 20-24) virtually (by the UUA.org website on line link to "GA 2018"). I see that one of the speakers will be Rev. Patrice Curtis, who came to Key West for our service on 4.29.18. So it will be fun to see her on the big stage of our national UU gathering. We will be able to replay many of the GA events after they happen as well.

We've been contacted by Steve Jens-Rochow, from UU Justice Florida. He wanted to link our delegate, Ray McKnight, at the General Assembly to the UUA Environmental Justice Minister, Rev Earl Koteen. I don't yet know what that is about, but we will certainly be interested to learn more. And the UU Justice Florida will be handing out over 1000 fliers at GA to let delegates and other congregations know about the Florida drive to pass Amendment 4, the Florida Second Chances Voting Restoration amendment, part of a national effort. In recent months, our own Dave Arnold and Liz Eastman have invited us to sign a petition to get this on the ballot here in Florida.

months, we continue to stay engaged in doing the good work of our local congregation. If you've seen our Board minutes recently, you may know that we've completed a lot of necessary repairs to our building (including new air conditioning systems and improvements to our tenant's apartment). Your board members (Dave, Joy, Tami, Jim and I) stay busy and connected year round, keeping our bills paid, doors opened, and future planned. Our administrator, Pete, and director of children's religious education, Astoria, also continue their important contributions to our congregation with summer assignments and planning for our fall season.

So if you are away, enjoying summer journeys, we invite you to stay connected with us until your travels bring you back to our island home and our Southernmost UU Congregation! Perhaps we can rekindle a spark for you!

Marilyn Smith, President, One Island Family

Our Summer Gathering on June 17 was a fun celebration of the start of summer for our One Island Family youth, that included water balloons, silly string, and a celebration of Taylor Nickerson's 10th birthday.









Floridians believe in Second Chances. We need to make sure Florida Law does too.

Our system is broken. Nearly 1.4 million people in Florida are permanently excluded from voting because of a past conviction. Florida is one of only four states with a lifetime ban on voting.

Now is the time to return the eligibility to vote to Floridians who have done their time and paid their debts. These are our family members, friends, and neighbors who have earned the opportunity to participate in and give back to their communities.

Amendment 4 - the Voting Restoration Amendment - takes important steps toward fixing our broken system by empowering individuals and communities.

VOTING **YES** ON AMENDMENT 4 IS SIMPLY THE **RIGHT THING TO DO**.

1. August

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Visit SECONDCHANCESFL.ORG to:

- > Volunteer to make phone calls
- > Go Door to Door in your neighborhood
- > Engage on Social Media
- > Donate to the campaign

AMENDMENT 4 VOTING RESTORATION AMENDMENT

Ballot Summary: "This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis."

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What EACH of US Can Do

Volunteer with the Second Chances Campaign SecondChancesFL.org/partner/uujf/vol

Phone Bank the 2nd Tuesday of month

Call Window: 5:30 - 8:30pm ET SecondChancesFL.org/partner/uujf/call

Phone Bank on any Shift

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 5:30 - 8:30pm ET Saturday 10am -1pm ET and Sunday 3pm-6pm ET SecondChancesFl.org/all-events/

What UU CONGREGATIONS Can Do

Host a 'Day of Action' Call Party

4th Saturday of the Month 1pm-4pm ET Multiple Events Nationally - see <u>SecondChancesFl.org/all-events/</u> <u>SecondChancesFL.org/partner/uujf/host/day-of-action</u> Host at Your Congregation or From Home!

Hold a Call Party

Choose a Phone Bank Shift that Works For Your Congregation Get Listed on the Schedule of In-Person Events To schedule, email: <u>Volunteer@ffafd.org</u>

More Info: brigham@uujusticefl.org

Whoever you are, we welcome you. Wherever you come from, we welcome you. Whatever you worship, we welcome you. Whomever you love, we welcome you. We ARE One Island Family!

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Monthly Calendar: http://www.oneislandfamily.org/calendar