

One Island Family June 30, 2021 Weekly E-letter

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Weekly E-Letter Deadline: Tuesday 5 p.m. Sunday Announcements Deadline: Thursday Noon

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WITH OUR SUMMER BREAK we will not be holding Sunday services during July. Please keep connected with One Island Family by following our newsletter posts.



To ONE ISLAND FAMILY members and friends:

It has been one unusual year and we want to thank all the many members and friends who made the continuation of our services flow smoothly! It does always take a village and we sure do have an awesome village!

So now we will take a bit of a rest--but are always storing up ideas for services and activities for early fall. Please reach out to any of the Program Committee (Marilyn, Amelia, Nancy 3, Astoria and Joy) with your thoughts. And if you can/want to host a summer gathering, we can make that happen also, appropriate safety measures to be observed.

You can reach any and all of us via jbt22ster@gmail.com

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ONE ISLAND FAMILY NEWS- notes from Marilyn Smith

The 2021 General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association closed on Sunday, June 27. Several of us watched a selection of the many virtual events offered. I was proud to see Astoria Nickerson and Nancy 3. Hoffman as panelists on a live webinar (#410 Mutual Aid: Congregations and Communities) with Rev. Bob Murphy, Artemis Joukowsky, Terry Lee Lowman and members of UU's for a Just Economic Community.

Personally I watched the virtual Banner Parade, which included a photo of the banner that hangs in our sanctuary, showing that our congregation has been a UU presence in Key West since 1986. I joined several webinars by zoom, including one on "New Directions in Teaching Racial Self-Knowledge" #214. In a breakout room someone asked me "Has your congregation adopted the 8th Principal of Unitarian Universalism?" (Put that on our "To Do" list!!) I also enjoyed several of the worship events, the GA Pride Drag Show, and the Ware Lectures with Stacey Abrams and Desmond Meade telling their personal stories. In my view, the UUA did a remarkable job this year, offering professional quality videos, music and small group gatherings. I hope we can share some of those via the On Demand Library this summer!

Although we are officially "on vacation" from Sunday programs for July, there are several building improvement projects happening in our building. With approval of our board, we have contracted with a licensed roofing company to reinforce the rusted fasteners in our metal roof panels. Another contractor will be removing the aging linoleum tiles in our bathrooms to restore the original terrazzo finish. And we are renewing the required City of Key West license for the signs identifying us as "One Island Family the Southernmost UU Congregation".

We hope to hear from you, our members and friends, if summer travel takes you north for new adventures. We'll be relaxing here and spending time with each other having summer fun! Wishing all good health and safe travels!