



# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach

## **Unitarian Universalist Principles**

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

## **UUFVB Mission Statement:**

We, a caring liberal religious community, encourage spiritual growth, provide education to our community, and seek justice for all.

## **We Are a Welcoming Congregation**

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach seeks to foster a climate of purposeful inclusion of all regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. If you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or if you think you might be, we welcome you to join with us—to participate fully and openly in our congregational life.

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Sunday Aug 29, 2021

Laura Matson, Pulpit Guest

Rev. Carole Yorke, Community Minister, Pulpit Host

*“The pursuit of full humanity, however, cannot be carried out in isolation or individualism, but only in fellowship and solidarity” – Paulo Freire, Pedagogy of the Oppressed*

**Centering Music**

Margretta Fosse, Pianist

**Welcome, Announcements**

Rev. Carole Yorke

**Introit**

**“Lift Every Voice and Sing”**

UUFVB Choir

Words: James Weldon Johnson, music: J. Rosamond Johnson

**Opening Words**

Laura Matson

**Hymn #168**

**“One More Step”**

Words and music: Joyce Poley, harmony: Grace Lewis-McLaren

**Kindling the Chalice Flame**

Laura Matson

**Water! Earth! Air! Fire!**

Rev. Carole Yorke

***Water: nurturer of life, sustainer of growth, basic to every living thing;***

***Earth: where every seedling takes root, the ground of our being, our home and point of outlook;***

***Air: in every breath we acknowledge the atmosphere wherein we live; the elixir of our existence;***

***Fire: thwarter of cold, light against the darkness, symbol of the burning human spirit.***

***Water! Earth! Air! Fire!: these signify the larger unity of all life and the glory of creation wherein our spirits are embraced.***

– by Rev. Dr. Peter S. Raible

**Sung Response**

**“Chalice”**

***Chalice, chalice burning bright, help remind us with your light of how we'd like to live each day, with love and truth helping lead the way.***

**Time for All Age    “Unitarian Universalism is a Really Long Name”**

Written by Jennifer Dant  
Presented by Rev. Carole Yorke

**Children’s Recessional (sung once)**

*As you journey, as you journey, may you know, may you know, love and hope go with you,  
love and hope go with you, learn and grow, learn and grow.*    *Words written by Ann Hossler*

**Offertory**

Margretta Fosse

*(Today’s undesignated plate offerings go to **IRC Volunteer Ambulance Squad**)*

**Community Connections**

Rev. Carole Yorke

**Sharing of Joys, Sorrows and Prayers**

**Hymn #123**

**“Spirit of Life”**

Words and music: Carolyn McDade

***Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.***

**Reading Before the Sermon**

Laura Matson

**Hymn #1009**

**“Meditation on Breathing”**

Words and music: Sarah Dan Jones

**Sermon    “A Unitarian Universalist’s Perspective on Critical Race Theory”**

Laura Matson

**Hymn #1074**

**“Turn the World Around”**

Words and music: Harry Belafonte, and Robert Freedman

**Benediction**

Laura Matson

**Postlude and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame**

Margretta Fosse

**Director of Music  
Audio/Video**

Emily Dreher  
Al Parmentier, Larry Phillips, Joe Hardy



**Children's  
Religious  
Education**  
at UUFVB

Childcare available for infants through K

**WELCOME!**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Religious Education Lessons:

August 29<sup>th</sup> –Woman's Equality Day (26)

**Volunteers Needed**

**Nursery Volunteers:** The Youth and Family Ministry is looking for UU Members and Friends who would like to volunteer in the Nursery on Sunday mornings from 9:45am to 11:30am. Nursery volunteers will help with songs, lessons, and play with our UU kids. These volunteers need to be willing to have a background check before volunteering.

**Nursery Instructor:** We are looking for a Nursery Instructor for our UU infants to Pre-K children. The position is once a week on Sunday mornings from 9:30am to 11:30am. \$15 per hour. Please contact the Office if you are interested in this position.

If you would like to know more about the Youth & Family Ministry, please contact.

Kelly Stephens  
Director of Youth & Family Ministry  
[youth@uufvb.org](mailto:youth@uufvb.org) or (772)778-5880

**UUFVB Calendar**

**Sunday, Aug 29, 2021**

10 am Sunday Service  
Fair Trade Corner **Open**

**Monday Aug 30, 2021**

2pm Compassion Class, Library

**Tuesday, Aug 31, 2021**

2pm Knitting Circle, Lobby

**Wednesday, Sept 1, 2021**

10am Qigong/Yoga, Lobby  
6:45 Choir rehearsal

**Thursday, Sept 2, 2021**

Art take down, Lobby  
11am Pastoral Care  
6:30pm Covenant – Evensong, L

**Friday, Sept 3, 2021**

Art set-up, Lobby  
9:30am Art Group  
2pm Ukulele Class, Choir Rm

**Come Visit the**

**FAIR TRADE CORNER**

**OPEN Before and After Service**

Sept 5, 2021 – Rev. Kaaren Anderson **“A Crisis is a Terrible Thing to Waste!”**