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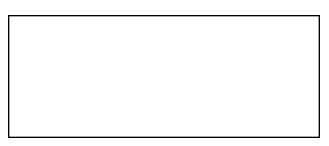
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AT PINEDA

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Friendship Fellowship at Pineda is a Religious Community of compassionate, open-minded truth seekers dedicated to:

- •Caring for our members through mutual respect, friendship and support
- •Exploring intellectual and spiritual ideas in pursuit of truth and understanding;
- •Using our collective voice, efforts and resources in the service of social justice; and
- •Creating intellectual and philanthropic opportunities that welcome, engage and include the wider community.

THE FRIENDSHIP FLYER

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DATE	SPEAKER	SUBJECT	SERVICE LEADER	GREETER	TOUCH OF BEAUTY	HOSPITALITY HOST
Oct 6	Rev Amy Kindred	On Forgiveness				
Oct 13	Rev Amy Kindred	Evil and Oz				
Oct 20	Andrea Bolitho Recycling Coordinator for Brevard County Solid Waste	Brevard County Waste Management				
Oct 27	Rev. Amy Kindred	The Thin Veil				

Rev Amy Kindred Minister, FFP



t all started with an email from "Cheri" in August.

"Save the date," she wrote. "Join us for a strike for the climate."

There is an old cliché about Unitarian Universalists. We always show up when asked to protest worthy causes. In this case, a strike for the climate event was scheduled to commence on Friday, September 20, 2019. The goals stated for pursuing the strike addressed not just one but several of our Unitarian Universalist principles. To affirm the interdependent web of existence of which we are part, working for justice and for the dignity and worth of all persons are interwoven in our commitment to work toward creating a more sustainable and equitable future.

After reading the website that highlighted 1100 international strike events scheduled for that day, I excitedly replied to Cheri's email. "Yes, Friendship Fellowship at Pineda, the Unitarian Universalist congregation in Rockledge, Florida, is all about this. Sign us up! We will be there at 8 am. Looking forward to meeting you."

A member of the fellowship posted the date and location - Cocoa Beach, Florida - on our Facebook page. The Office Manager sent an e-blast announcing that we were supporting this youth-led movement. On the Sunday before the strike, I spoke about it from the pulpit. I said, "Cheri emailed and wants us to participate with young people in this strike."

I also quoted the now infamous Greta Thunberg from Sweden who said, "I don't want your hope. I want you to panic." Most of the time, I infuse my sermons with a hopeful message. "Give them not hell but hope and courage," proclaimed John Murray, the father of Universalism in North America. Scientists are revealing that if humanity doesn't make changes right now, life on earth will become a living Hades. I felt strongly that we had to muster courage and address the difficult subject of climate change. I mean, if you can't explore uncomfortable truths in a sanctuary filled with others who, by their mere presence suggests that not one of us are alone in our attempts to create a beloved world, then where else can we talk about our fears?

On Friday morning, the day of the protest, we parked in the lot behind the local drug store, carefully pulled our signs from the back seat of the car and proceeded to walk to the busy intersection. As we journeyed to the corner, we passed five other people who were climbing out of vehicles. "Are you here for the climate strike?" we asked. A man in a crisp white shirt with a coffee cup in his hand said, "No. We are Jehovah Witnesses getting ready to meet some people." We smiled and picked up the pace.

Nearing the busy intersection and noticing very few pedestrians, a UU congregant said, "Where is everybody with their signs?" Another protestor said, "Where are all the young people?" I said, "Where is Cheri?"

An hour later, after more people appeared, about 60 of us were spread out, making our presence known on four adjacent corners. We waved our hands and signs at the people in passing cars. A young couple pushing a baby stroller on the sidewalk rolled to a stop in front of me.

The woman told me they were vacationing and happened upon our event. "So glad you all are here. We are very happy to join you," the man said. The little curly haired child seated in the stroller grabbed her toes and showed me the bottom of her feet. About a half dozen other youngsters, hand-lettered signs in tow, showed up with their parents and about a dozen high school and college-aged young people were part of our group.

Throughout the morning, as I searched for Cheri, I met many people. Each one had an important reason for being there. "I'm here for my grandchildren," said one man. "This is what I do. I've been marching for important causes since before the Vietnam war," sighed a woman, her gray hair blowing in the breeze. "We have to do something to provoke change in the trajectory of the climate," said a deeply concerned woman who wore a light green t-shirt.

Perhaps most poignant was the comment by Clare, a young woman who attends a high school in Melbourne, Florida. She said, "This is a critical moment. We are backsliding in so many areas. Care for the climate is one of them. I am here because I have to believe that the future will be better."

We all want to believe the future will be better.

Reverend Amy Kindred, Minister

Epilogue Cheri never showed.

Did you know that all of the sermon summaries can be found on our website https:// www.uuffpspacecoast.org/ or you can just google "Friendship Fellowship at Pineda" and the website will pop up for you that way. Check it out!

elcome to Autumn. Time for our Semi-Annual Meeting on October 27th, 2019, following an abbreviated service. Your presence is important for many reasons, especially to cast your vote to fill the vacant board position. Committee chairs are reminded to submit a brief report to Secretary Ruth Rodgers highlighting their accomplishments and dreams. Although we have been busy and productive during the summer, the Fellowship has provided many opportunities for fun and learning. It was especially nice to welcome Rev. Amy back from needed respite and educational opportunities. The "digital" directory has been sent out. Thank you Amy and Chip. What a convenience and paper saver. As we move into the future, there will always be growing pains, but it will give us more opportunity to do the work of the Fellowship. Please submit changes and information to the CLC so it can be included in the official record. The committee reports also become part of the Semi-Annual minutes. I look forward to the next six months with anticipation of continued successes.

Clifford Saylor, CLC Chair

Thank you to everyone who fed the jar for the Children's Hunger Project! We met our goal. It is with the good service and care and help of our congregation that we are able to extend our love to the community.

October 2019 Comings, goings, and doings for FF@P

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun Svc 10:30 AM		1	2	3	4	5
Sunday Morning Discussion: 9:15- 10:15 AM Coffee House—Current Events		Choir 7:00PM FH			SANGHA Meditation (CH) 4:00PM-6PM	
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FH means Friendship Hall CH means Coffee House					The Editor needs your November input by October 24	
		Choir 7:00PM FH			Octobe	er 24

October 2019 Sunday service descriptions:

October 06 Sunday, 10:30 AM Reverend Amy Kindred

On Forgiveness

Mark Twain wrote, "Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it." Must we forgive to live full lives? Of all the issues addressed by countless religious traditions, *forgiveness* is one of the most controversial.

October 13, Sunday, 10:30 AM Reverend Amy Kindred

Evil and Oz

Frank Baum wrote a classic story titled *The Wonderful World of the Wizard of Oz* in 1900. Join us this morning as we explore where various elements of the story were derived and rediscover its power to inform us today.

October 20 Sunday, 10:30 AM Reverend Amy Kindred

Brevard County Waste Management

As Unitarian Universalists our seventh principle guides us toward "Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part." By extension we are all responsible for safeguarding the earth by proper recycling of whatever products we can. Our speaker, Andrea Bolitho, will guide us through the process of correct recycling in Brevard County.

October 27, Sunday

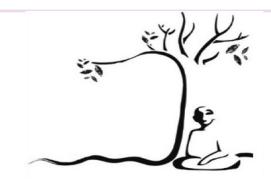
Sunday, 10:30 AM Rev Amy Kindred

The Thin Veil

Reverend Amy Kindred AND the children of Friendship Fellowship.

In this shortened service, the children will read poetry about Halloween and the minister will offer a brief message about the importance of a holiday shared by three different cultures.

Additionally, we will publicly welcome the individuals who have signed the membership book since last November. - After service today, we will hold our semi-annual congregational meeting.



Sangha Mindfulness Practice

Sangha Mindfulness Practice is now at 4pm on Wednesdays, in the Coffee House.

Dat Nguyen is facilitating this practice. Sangha Mindfulness Practice is a short sitting/ walking meditation and caring community that share in Buddhist teachings and insights from members personal practice. Feel free to join in.

If you have questions please contact Dat Nguyen at scmindfulness@yahoo.com

Recycling Can be Confusing:

Put these in your recycling cart:

Plastic bottles and containers shaped like a bottle, jug or tub (such as water bottles, food containers, dish soap, laundry detergent and shampoo) -Lightly rinse. Leave caps and pumps on.

Cardboard: milk and juice cartons, paper towel and toilet tissue rolls, food boxes and flattened cardboard boxes.

Aluminum, steel and tin cans. Includes clean aluminum foil and food pans.

Glass bottles and jars.

conveyor belt.

Paper: newspapers, magazines, catalogs, paperback books, office paper, junk mail, envelopes, telephone books and paper bags.

Do not recycle these items

Plastic bags should go into household trash or recycled at sites that accept them, such as Publix.

Most UPS Stores accept foam packaging and bubble cushioning — but they should stay out of recycling carts.

Do not recycle hypodermic needles, straws, thin plastic "clamshells" such as strawberry containers, scrap metal, greasy pizza boxes, oven cookware, drinking glasses, ceramics, rope, clothing, hangers, Christmas lights, paper towels and prescription bottles. Also, do not bag recyclables. Plant workers are instructed to grab and discard bags as they scoot by on the

Sources: Brevard County Solid Waste Management, Waste Management. Contact Neale at 321-242-3638 or rne-ale@floridatoday.com

RETROSPECTIVE

If I were to drink from the Fountain of Youth I might rise like a bull in the morning

But the Sands of Time
Run low for me
And now each day
More slowly I walk
Toward the loom of the Western Horizon.

Long has it been since a new Eastern Sun
First shed its light down on me
And I've wandered afar
Both on land and on sea

As the Spirit within me empowered my quest
My Hopes and my Dreams have created my goals
While my Faithful Stars have guided me
To the Marvelous Mysteries
Of Love

Ed Breakell

OCTOBER IN FLORIDA

October here in Florida
Has a real familiar cast,
Although we know it's autumn,
The summer isn't past.
It's time for autumn's turning,
For shorter daylight hours,
For logs at hearthfires burning,
For mums with golden flowers,
For russet leaves ablazing,
For scarecrows lank and lean,
For pumpkins ripe for harvest
All set for Halloween.

But Florida is different,
October's promise hides,
And as we yearn for autumn,
Summer yet abides.
For as the days grow darker
The heat just grows and grows,
With here and there a hurricane
To keep us on our toes.

Helen Bennett

e are beginning a new tradition in the Flyer. We will post the name or names of people who have volunteered in some way, to make Friendship Fellowship the lovely place that it is. Members, friends and committee chairs are invited to submit names to:

office.mgr.ffp@gmail.com by the 20th of every month.

Petruska for the many unseen things she gets done around this place. Recently, she committed a lot of time to general upkeep and by helping us troubleshoot the issue in the ladies restroom. Laura also helped Art Brosius when it was time to install the projector. Art Brosius took on the responsibility of getting us a new projector. He has also been working on a few other things for the office as well. Thank you, Art, your valuable time is not taken for granted.

Thanks also to **Linda** and **Art Brosius** for coordinating our coffee and goodies after the service on Sundays. It takes the efforts of many to make our services happen.

We offer our heartfelt thanks to **John Mandela** and **Alan Osborne** for fixing the light in the children's area and for securing our buildings as we awaited Dorian's arrival.

Thanks go to those who participated in our service on the climate crisis. That was **Brad Baker**, Nellson Moore, Christopher Panaia, Rebecca Ziegler, and Owen McMullin.

"Small service is true service while it lasts; Of friends, however humble, scorn not one: The daisy, by the shadow that it casts, Protects the lingering dew-drop from the sun." - Wordsworth

Happy October Birthdays

Rosemarye Levine
Betty Allison
Loretta Winston
Alan Osborne
Elspeth Root
Annette Blanchard
Ashley Collins
Pete Crumpacker

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