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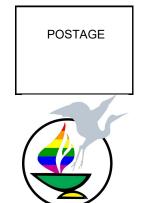
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Friendship Fellowship at Pineda is a Religious Community of compassionate, open-minded truth seekers dedicated to:

- •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
- •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
Feb 2	Rev Amy Kindred	Bold Women in Black History			Marcia Berry	Barbara Linton
Feb 9	Rev Amy Kindred	In Love With Oliver				Barbara Linton
Feb 16	Rev Amy Kindred	The Post Secret Project		Helen Bennett		Barbara Linton
Feb 23	Reverend Kaylan Fristad	Universalism Past, Present, and Powerful			Kitty Linton	Kitty and Barbara Linton

Rev Amy Kindred Minister, FFP



Minister's Article for the February Flyer

2020

Rev. Amy Kindred

"Hate cannot drive out hate. Only love can do that."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

As the political season gears up, I am already watching tension in relationships rise to lethal levels. People who say they believe in the "power of love and inclusivity" are succumbing to the primal urge to lash out with verbal venom at those who disagree with their political views.

We, Unitarian Universalists who affirm the "dignity and worth of every individual," must work relentlessly to reconcile our frustration with politicians who are behaving in uncivil and unlawful ways with how much we value our relationships with loved ones who support them.

Refusing to understand and embrace those we have placed in "the evil other" camp is one way to avoid upholding our UU values.

Look, I need to speak honestly here. We are told to speak up against systems of injustice. I wholeheartedly agree. Speak up against systems of injustice and oppression. However, let's avoid lashing out at individuals who endorse a political party that is different than our own. This isn't helpful.

"How do we proceed in a manner that is true to our faith tradition?" you may ask. I don't have definitive answers, but I have a couple of suggestions.

First, might we recognize that people have differing perspectives on state and national governance. Some individuals tend to lean toward more local and state ordinances whereas, others, loosely speaking, are drawn toward the idea that national laws will ensure better distribution of rights. Without making a statement of judgement, might we say these are just two differing approaches toward solving problems in a nation filled with individualists?

Second, let's be better at living our Unitarian Universalist values by saying to ourselves, for example, "This is my dearest friend's view and it's different than mine. My relationship with her is more important than my ability to convince her that she is wrong."

I understand that this is HARD WORK especially, when others are relentless in provoking a discussion that ends in an argument. However, let's choose to honor our relationships.

Please, advocate for issues, yes, but avoid belittling friends and loved ones who hold contradictory views. If it means repeating, "I understand that we hold different perspectives," ten times in order to stop the escalating dispute, then do it. Honor the "dignity and worth" of your conversation partner.

No one ever said that living the Unitarian Universalist principles would be easy. However, I hope you come to understand that it's the only path for living a life of integrity.

As always, I am with you on this challenging journey.

Rev. Amy Kindred

February 2020 Comings, goings, and doings for FF@P

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 4PM Music Program
2 Sun Svc 10:30 AM Sunday Morning Discussion: 9:00- 10:00 AM Coffee House—Let's Talk 9am—10am CLC meeting after service	3 TAI CHI 11:00 (FH) MOVIE 1:00PM— 4:00PM	4 Security Meeting 10AM (FH) No Choir 7:00PM	SANGHA Meditation (CH 4:00PM-6PM	6 Women's Circle 10:00 AM (CH) Social Justice 11:30AM Egret Room	7	8 Men's group 12-1:30PM CH 2PM Covenant Group Meeting
9 Sun Svc 10:30 AM Sunday Morning Discussion: 9:00- 10:00 AM Coffee House—Let's Talk 9am—10am	10 TAI CHI 11:00 FH	Pastoral Care 10:30AM Egret Room 1 PM C Meeting Choir 7:00PM FH	SANGHA Meditation (CH)4:00PM-6PM	13 Yoga 10AM (CH) Service Leader Meeting 4PM FH	14	15
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23 Sun Svc 10:30 AM Sunday Morning Discussion: 9:00- 10:00 AM Coffee House—Let's Talk 9am—10am	24 TAI CHI 10:00PM FH	25 Choir 7:00PM FH	26 SANGHA Meditation (CH) 4:00PM-6PM	27 Sierra Club 6:30PM—9PM (FH)	28	
FH means Friendship Hall CH means Coffee House					The Editor needs your March input by Feb 18	

February 2020 Sunday service descriptions:

February 2

Sunday, 10:30 AM

Reverend Amy Kindred

"Bold Women in Black History"

Quick, name six women of color who have contributed greatly to the advancement of human kind. Can't name six? That's the point exactly. Come and explore the lost stories of bold women in black history

February 9

Sunday, 10:30 AM

Reverend Amy Kindred

"In Love With Oliver"

The poetry of Mary Oliver is filled with passion for all of earth's creations. This morning we share a few of her most beloved selections

February 16

Sunday, 10:30 AM

Reverend Amy Kindred

"The Post Secret Project"

Secrets. Everyone has them. Right? In 2005, Frank Warren started a project in which he had complete strangers mail him anonymous postcards with never-shared secrets. The results were intriguing. Consider the cathartic power of sharing a secret anonymously. What would YOU share if you had the opportunity?

February 23

Sunday, 10:30am

Reverend Kaylan Fristad

"Universalism Past, Present and Powerful" Guest speaker and author, Reverend Kaylan Fristad shares his findings on why Universalism remains such a powerful movement today.

A Word From our Committee Leadership Chair, Cliff Saylor

t is a busy time at Friendship Fellowship; completing projects and planning for the future. A time of transition and transformation. Our new highway sign and security window coverings will soon be installed. As a result, there will be wi-fi in our freshly painted coffee house meeting room. Pledges and budgets have been proposed to make our values and visions a reality in 2020. Donations for the highway sign should be given to the treasurer, Brian. 2020 sounds nice. Clear vision. Don't miss out. Your journey is enriched with your participation.

Happy Valentine's Day, Cliff Saylor, CLC Chair

BOOK CLUB

Any and everyone is invited to our book club. You can invite neighbors, families, friends, and of course our members are always invited. Our readings for the Circle Book Club is as follows: Be aware that all selections below have at least 6 copies in the Brevard Library system so you need not purchase a book.

Feb 20th – The Mermaid Chair by Sue Monk Kid Host- Karen Atlas

Mar 19 – The Heart of the Sea by Nathaniel Philbrick

Host – Sarah Hart

Apr 16 – The Dutch House by Ann Patchett

Host – Steven Atlas

May 21 – The Matriarch by Susan Page

Host – Karen Atlas

No meeting in the summer

Sep 17 – East of Eden by John Steinbeck

Host –Karen Atlas

Oct 22 – Fly Girls by Keith O'Brian

Host-Laura Petruska

Nov 19 – South Pole Station – by Ashley Shelby

Host – Ruth Rodgers

Hope to see you all at the Book Club. Laura Petruska

FEBRUARY 12TH

"On the 12" of February, 1809, two babes were born....One was educated in the University of Nature, the other at Cambridge. One associated his name... with the emancipation of millions, with the salvation of the Republic. The other broke the chains of superstition and filled the world with intellectual light..." Robert Ingersoll

HAPPY DARWIN DAY!!! HAPPY LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY!!!

FEBRUARY 12, 1809

Long ago, in 1809, Two men were born who set men free, One, from the shackles of the mind, One from the chains of slavery.

The one who was known as Honest Abe Was revered as the Great Emancipator, The other, described how we evolved Without an intervening Creator.

Darwin described how man descended From other life forms, by evolution, And science has ever since confirmed The truth of his startling supposition.

And Lincoln, hated by Southern planters, Stripped their workers and made of them No longer lower forms of animals, But living, breathing, and human men.

Both Darwin and Lincoln were reviled And many still hold them in contempt, But those with brains and hearts adore them, And those without are still exempt.

> Helen Bennett January 3, 2020

Calling All Artists!

If you are interested in displaying artwork on our Art Wall this Fall or Winter, please contact Sue Huseman for details or send contact

Happy Birthday

Bob Johnson
Ruth Rodgers
Jo Davies
Bobbie Keith
Lorraine Hennig
Cindy Collins
Irene MacDonald
Steve Atlas

GARBAGE PICKUP

Monday and Thursday at the end of our driveway (using our own garbage cans)

Our green garbage (yard waste) is picked up in the same place as garbage cans every Monday. There is no recycling.

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