



Due to the COVID 19 Stay in Place Policy, UUCOB facilities are closed to all events and activities until further notice.

This Sunday's Service



**This Sunday: May 17, 10:30 am
Online with UUCOB**

This week we return to our online services on Zoom. **Rev. David's sermon, "Something's Coming"**, invites us to examine our way of looking toward the future in a time when we're not sure whether anticipation or dread is a more reasonable feeling about what's ahead of us. Join us online at this link:

UUCOB Sunday Service
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88070396060> Meeting ID: 880 7039 6060
Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kds7MGB8tX>

Rev. David's Quote of the Week

Irish poet Seamus Heaney (1939 - 2013) wrote:

The way we are living,
timorous or bold,
will have been our life.

Heaney's statement doesn't make exceptions for the nature of the times we're living in: Every time, including this one, is our life--not time taken out of it. Are we living as we would wish our life to be? What might living boldly look like today?

News & Notes



UUCOB Pledge Drive - 2020-21

Supporting Our Congregation: By now you should have received your mailing for this year's UUCOB Annual Pledge Drive. This year as much as any time in our history, UUCOB is depending on the support of our members and friends as we seek to continue and grow our ministry in this very challenging season for our community, nation, and world. Knowing that we have all experienced financial challenges as the national and local economy struggle, we hope that you will pledge your support as best you can. Fostering wonder, creating connections, nurturing hope, and working for justice have never been more necessary for our lives and for our world. Please send your pledge as soon as you can. If you haven't received a mailing, please contact Bryan Jones, Finance Chair.



Thank you...

UUCOB member Gwen Taylor has generously offered a selection of her own art work and art from her collection to UUCOB for a fundraiser as she and husband Robert Jacobs make preparations for their move to Manteo! Thanks so much to Gwen and to Sherrie Lemnios, Gary Crane, and Stephanie Gajar for hanging the work in the Meetinghouse. We will let you know the logistics for viewing, bidding, and purchasing the art in the weeks ahead! For a sneak preview, [CLICK HERE.](#)

Reminders



Mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting

The UUCOB will hold the Annual Meeting via Zoom on Sunday, June 14, at 11:15 after a shortened Sunday Service. Need more information? Email: jenniferatuucob@gmail.com



Dare County Arts Council's The Courthouse Sessions, Home Edition
Angelo Sonnesso, friend of our congregation, is on the concert schedule for broadcast on **Thursday, May 21 at 8 pm** on Dare County Arts Council's Facebook page. For more information: <https://www.darearts.org/events>



For Families with Children

Looking for resources to keep your children connected to UUCOB? Contact Donna Mohler at mohlerdonna1@gmail.com.

UUCOB - Creating Connections...



UUCOB Teatime with Rev. David
Fridays 4:30 pm - 5:15pm

"Teatime With Rev. David" Moves to Friday Beginning next week on Friday, May 22, our weekly "Teatime with Rev. David" Zoom drop-in will move to Friday afternoons from 4:30 to approximately 5:15. Drop in to share a chat with Rev. David and other UUCOB friends! Bring your own beverage. To join us beginning next Friday, follow this link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83559293305> Meeting ID: 835 5929 3305

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kev3DzPNt0>

Share the Plate

For May 2020: Share the Plate: One half of all Sunday morning offerings will be donated to:



Coastal Humane Society, launching a new program to help Dare County residents feed their pets through this COVID-19 pandemic. **To contribute**, visit our website: www.uucob.org then, click on **DONATE**. Specify: *Sunday Offering*



A Shout Out to... Women's Journey

For the past 8 years (thank you, Joan Liston) Women's Journey has been meeting each month to share and listen deeply together. The various topics discussed are prompted by readings by authors that embrace Unitarian Universalist values and philosophy. Through this COVID-19 quarantine, we continue to meet via Zoom and, aside from our usual agenda, have added weekly check-ins to our schedule just to stay connected. Thanks to Donna Moehler for coordinating our Zoom sessions and to the 18 women who are dedicated to keeping this important group going strong.



**UU the Vote:
This week's Action Items...**

1) Vote-By-Mail. Now is the Time to Request Your Absentee Ballot. Absentee voting allows registered voters to get their ballot in the mail. With social distancing, this means that voters can cast and return their ballot from the safety of their home. If you request and receive a ballot but then decide to vote in-person, that's fine!

For more info about the vote by mail process, our friends at You Can Vote have got you covered. Visit You Can Vote.

2) UUA Petition Tell Congress: Prepare Elections for the COVID-19 Crisis Join fellow UUs from across the country who are calling on lawmakers to include funding for safe and fair elections in the next COVID-19 stimulus bill. And while you're at it, check out the UUA's brand new UU the Vote website.

UUCOB's Virtual Poetry Slam

Gwen Taylor shares: This poem was written by Rick Winsor, a high school friend of mine, an artist, musician, writer, and teacher who lives in Indonesia with his Chinese /Indonesian wife.

The Blessing in Disguise

The big house is spotless
the marble floors gleam
polished by Lusita's broom
swishing up a few dog hairs
almost as they fall
A tropical breeze blows
through the tall French windows
and rustles the fruit trees in the garden
Longan, Lengkung, Lemon
and the new leaves on
baby Flamboyant trees
transplanted from the park
We are home, staying quiet
protecting ourselves
our close people,
and family
a grandchild and his nurse
Everything is peace and harmony
all of us sailing under the same flag
able to see the beauty around us
not running from place to place
chasing our tails
Such is the blessing in disguise
brought to us by disease
showing us how to be
and to know
the gift given to us.

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