

## 2010 SUMMER SERVICES

### “Pathways to Peace”

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#### July 4: “If There Is to Be Peace”

In his sermon, Dr. Tucker will explore the ten requirements that two dozen winners of the Nobel Peace Prize have all insisted are absolutely essential for the establishment of real and lasting peace.

Guest musician: Pianist David Katz

**Rev. Robert Tucker**

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#### July 11: “Peace in every breath”

*“I imagine that yes is the only living thing.” ee cummings* Today, more than ever, we are longing for peace: peace in our neighborhoods, larger community, state, country and world. What can we do as people of faith to be peacekeepers in our worlds? Ultimately, the path of peace must begin with oneself, even when that self is tormented with doubt, guilt and fear. Peace can begin with each breath.

**Rev. Danielle Green** Guest Vocalist Lisa Egan

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#### July 18: “My Dirty Little UU Secret”

How do we look at ourselves when it comes to our social justice work? That judging can, in fact, keep us from serving fully. This is a sermon about reframing how we look at what we do.

UUCS Women’s Ensemble

**Jennifer Dant**

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#### July 25: “Moving Beyond Pacifism”

Peace is not just the absence of war. Thinking of peace in terms of either military action or pacifism tends to focus on military action and diverts us away from other effective actions, which include much more than pacifism. As theologian Walter Wink argues, we need to get rid of both pacifism and just war and look for ways to actively reduce harm. The service will look into peacemaking as an effective alternative.

**Rev. Abhi Janamanchi**

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#### August 1: “At That Moment All I Had...”

Helen Bennett, president of the Humanists of Brevard, reviewed a troubled artist's memoir recently and raised a compelling question. Personal reflections abound in which people express the conviction their faith in God was the only thing to carry them safely through their personal trials. Helen asked, "I wonder what Humanism could possibly offer the desperate, the addicted, and the suicidal. Is there a form of relief, beyond simple meditation, that can aid such unlucky souls? How do we bounce back from the brink without belief in God or the supernatural?" This is a question that can vex, not just humanists, but people of all faiths. It is an excellent question and one to which I think we can find an answer together.

**Rev. Ann Fuller**

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**Rev. Dee Graham**

**August 8: “Before the Pilgrims: Florida's First Faiths and What We Should Know Now”**

Skin tones of all shades and hues shine in the heat of the Florida sun while garbled tongues of many languages, especially the rolling tumble of Spanish, color the trading of fresh vegetables, homemade goods and woven wares in the farmer's market spread out in the town square. Florida's future? Perhaps. But it's definitely Florida's prologue, one of more than 300 years before the United States took over. Take this chance to hear about Florida's earliest faith communities and how what we were then may be more than a reflection of where we might go now.

Guest musician: Pianist David Katz

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**Rev. Kenn Hurto**

**August 15: “Is There Such a Thing as 'Religious' Humanism?”**

Let's consider how humanist valuation, theory of knowing and doctrine of human nature inform and challenge traditional religious reflection -- and whether any of that makes a difference to us as Unitarian Universalists and how we live our lives, committed to love, justice & peace.

Guest musician: Harpist Bonnie Caplan

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**Rev. Margret O'Neall**

**August 22: “Re-Creation”**

Summer is a time for recreation -- a time to slow the pace, change the pattern, replenish our resources. The Jewish mystical Kabbalah tradition uses the phrase *Tikkun olam*, which translates as "repairing the world." As people of faith, we are called to repair the brokenness of the world, which begins with healing our own lives.



**Rev. Margret O'Neall**

**August 29: “Heresy: Committed Choice”**

Heresy -- from the Greek term for "choice" -- is an exercise of commitment to values and beliefs which run counter to accepted doctrine or dogma. Throughout history, those accused of heresy have been persecuted, exiled, jailed or even killed for their crime. How can a faithful heretic follow the path of conscience in today's world?



**Rev. LoraKim Joyner**

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**September 5: “Peace, Parrots and People”**

Following 24 years of working in avian conservation in Central America and the Caribbean, LoraKim invites us with stories and images to reflect how the well-being of birds, people, and environments are bound up together, including what we do here in Florida as Unitarian Universalists.