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Online at uugalveston.org*We welcome the full range of human diversity, that is, age, race, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and ethnicity.***Theme for Sunday Services in September: "Voices from the Past"**

Kathleen McTigue writes in Singing the Living Tradition: *"In the struggles we choose for ourselves, in the ways we move forward in our lives and bring our world forward with us, it is right to remember the names of those who gave us strength in this choice of living. It is right to name the power of hard lives well-lived. We share a history with those lives. We belong to the same motion. They too were strengthened by what had gone before. They were drawn on by the vision of what might come to be. Those who lived before us, who struggled for justice and suffered injustice before us, have not melted into the dust, and have not disappeared. They are with us still. The lives they lived hold us steady. Their words remind us and call us back to ourselves. Their courage and love evoke our own. We, the living, carry them with us: we are their voices, their hands, their hearts. We take them with us, and with them choose the deeper path of living."*

September 2: "Water Communion Ceremony"

The Water Communion, as part of UU worship services, traditionally notes the beginning of a new church year. This universal symbol of the spirit reminds us of its importance and fragile nature in sustaining life. Please feel free to bring water (authentic or symbolic) that has meaning to you, and share that meaning if you wish, as we combine our waters to symbolize our shared faith that comes from many different sources.

Greeter: Susan Persons**Board Member of the Day:** Judy Glaister**Facilitator:** Tony DiNuzzo**Music Coordinator:** Margaret Canavan*Compassionate Offering benefits KIVA.***September 9: Rev. Bob Tucker, "America's Divine Providence"**

Has God hovered over and protected this country, past and present? Bob is a native of Minnesota and has served churches in South Dakota, Minnesota, Texas, and Kansas. He was, for twenty-eight years, the Senior Minister of First Congregational Church of Houston. He is Executive Director Emeritus of the Foundation for Contemporary Theology.

Greeter: Paula Townley**Board Member of the Day:** Miso Lee**Facilitator:** Mary Case**Music Coordinator:** Bruce Mauzy*Orientation for New Members, following the service***September 16: Bets Anderson, "1568, A Pivotal Year"**

This year, 2018, marks the 450th anniversary of an important document in the history of Unitarian Universalism and is being celebrated by UUs throughout the world. In 1568, King John Sigismund of Transylvania issued the Edict of Torda, a decree that was to change the Christian religion in very important ways. A cast of UU's will join Bets by way of a story and a play to depict the importance of this event.

Greeter: Judy Glaister**Board Member of the Day:** Carlos Price**Facilitator:** Bets Anderson**Music Coordinator:** Tony DiNuzzo**September 23: Rev. Randy Partain, "The Humanist Pedigree"**

John H. Dietrich is known as the "Father of Religious Humanism" and was a primary contributor to the first Humanist Manifesto in 1933. As a Unitarian minister, he expressed a vision for the world, built on deeply held Humanist values, but the world, Unitarianism, and Humanism have changed a lot since then. Do John Dietrich's words and vision still have anything to offer us? Rev. Partain describes himself as a composer, pianist, creative thinker, and theologian. After receiving a doctorate degree in music composition and, after working for many years as a music minister in various Christian churches, he became more open about his (atheist) Humanist beliefs. He earned a Master of Divinity degree (as an open atheist at an evangelical Christian seminary). He became endorsed as Humanist Celebrant, instead, and encourages people to think about what they believe and to live out their beliefs meaningfully.

Greeter: Bets Anderson**Board Member of the Day:** TBA**Facilitator:** Carlos Price**Music Coordinator:** Margaret Canavan**September 30: Madeleine Baker, "When Did We Shed the Fire and Brimstone"**

In May 5, 1819, in Baltimore, William Ellery Channing delivered an address entitled. "Unitarian Christianity." This speech helped to define the movement that in 1825 created the American Unitarian Association. He wasn't thinking of launching a new denomination. Instead, he was defending a Unitarian approach to religion in response to vicious attacks by Calvinists and Trinitarians. The word "Unitarian" had been used as a term of contempt, as the word "heretic" is still used in some circles. His speech, as well as other writings, helped to make the name one that Unitarians could proudly adopt for themselves. Madeleine Baker is a long-time member of our Fellowship, who also chairs the Empty Bowls annual fundraiser.

Ingathering for New Members during the service*Greeter:** Kathy Thomas**Board Member of the Day:** TBA**Facilitator:** Cheryl Henry**Music Coordinator:** Tony DiNuzzo*Monthly potluck lunch immediately after the service*



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<p>2 <u>Compassionate Offering</u> 10:30a "Annual Water Communion Ceremony" and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix</p>			<p>5 5p Bowlers 8p AA Phoenix Group</p>		<p>7 10a Admin/A-Team Meeting 1p Hand-crafters Group</p>	
<p>9 10:30a Rev. Bob Tucker, "America's Divine Providence" and Children's Religious Educ *Orientation — following service 8p AA Phoenix</p>			<p>12 5p Bowlers 7p Book Club: <u>Ready Player One</u> by Ernest Cline 8p AA Phoenix Group</p>	<p>13 5:30p Board Meeting</p>	<p>14 1p Hand-crafters Group 6:30pm Jim Turner, <u>The Bhagavad Gita</u> (1st of 5 sessions)</p>	
<p>16 10:30a Bets Anderson, "1568, A Pivotal Year" and Children's Religious Educ. 6:30p Spirituality of Poker, TBA 6:30p Game Night, TBA 8p AA Phoenix</p>			<p>19 5p Bowlers 8p AA Phoenix Group</p>	<p>20 7p Banned Books Event REMINDER: Send Monthly Announcements to Jo Ross, administrator@uugalveston.org</p>	<p>21 1p Hand-crafters Group 6:30pm Jim Turner, <u>The Bhagavad Gita</u> (2nd of 5 sessions)</p>	<p>22 <i>Welcome, Autumn!</i></p>
<p>23 10:30a Rev. Randy Partain, "The Humanist Pedigree" and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix</p>	<p>24 6p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled)</p>	<p>25 1:30p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled)</p>	<p>26 5p Bowlers 8p AA Phoenix Group</p>		<p>28 1p Hand-crafters Group 6:30pm Jim Turner, <u>The Bhagavad Gita</u> (3rd of 5 sessions)</p>	
<p>30 <u>Potluck Lunch</u> 10:30a Madeleine Baker, "When Did We Shed the Fire and Brimstone" *Ingathering for New Members and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid blue; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; display: inline-block; margin: 10px;"> <p><i>Happy Birthday!</i></p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 10px; margin: 10px; width: 80%;"> <p>Joel-Reich-9/1, Martha Terrill-9/10, Billie Rinaldi-9/16, Zac Vanderhider-9/17, Michelle Bennett-9/18, David Bowers-9/23, Steve Reubens-9/30</p> </div>					