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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 August Programs: HOPE**

"Hope is not blind optimism. It's not ignoring the enormity of the task ahead or the roadblocks that stand in our path. It's not sitting on the sidelines or shirking from a fight. Hope is that thing inside us that insists, despite all evidence to the contrary, that something better awaits us if we have the courage to reach for it, and to work for it, and to fight for it. Hope is the belief that destiny will not be written for us, but by us, by the men and women who are not content to settle for the world as it is, who have the courage to remake the world as it should be." -- Barack Obama

Please join us for our Sunday services in August as we explore the importance of hope in our lives.

August 5: "Hope and the Quadrilateral"
by Rev. Bob Tucker

From the rarely consulted repository of theological wisdom is found a model tucked away that can be helpful in navigating the days of our lives.

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: Susan Persons**Board Member of the Day:** Steve Townley**Facilitator:** Cheryl Henry**Music Coordinator:** Bruce Mauzy**Compassionate Offering benefits Libbie's Place Senior Day Program***August 12: "Radical Hope"**

by Rev. Jenifer Wagley

In tumultuous times, it is easy to despair but, as Raymond Williams says, "To be truly radical is to make hope possible, rather than despair convincing." How can we "radicals" be known for being the bearers of hope and the beacons of light in the midst of a world upside down?"

Rev. Wagley serves as Deputy Director of Avenue, a 25-year-old non-profit development company serving the Greater Houston community. She has 14 years of community organizing and program management experience. As Deputy Director at Avenue, Jenifer works in tandem with the Executive Director to support the sustainability and growth of the organization. Jenifer oversees Avenue's robust Community Building and Engagement Department, which includes the highly successful GO Neighborhoods program in the Near Northside and Avenue's place-based initiative expansion into Northline.

Greeter: Sue Minello**Board Member of the Day:** Lisa Windsor**Facilitator:** Bets Anderson**Music Coordinator:** Margaret Canavan**August 19: "Our Right Relations Covenant"**
by Chalice Circle Members

From our two rich histories, both of Unitarians and Universalists, we see a commitment to make and keep

promises -- covenants -- with one another. Though we have always refused to adopt any creedal statement in either tradition, we historically viewed our covenants as relating to God, as well as to one another. But, as Unitarians and Universalists merged in 1961, and as we have grown in our understanding of diversity and moving beyond mere tolerance, we have many members and friends who do not accept the concept of covenanting with God. Nor do we believe in theological or biblical basis for covenanting. Yet, today we need covenant more than ever. It is the act of covenant that holds congregations together.

In 2005, members of our Fellowship developed a covenant affirming how we will relate to one another: Our Right Relations Covenant. We still honor this covenant. During this service, members of our Chalice Circles will share what this covenant means to them.

Greeter: Sandra Sullivan**Board Member of the Day:** Judy Glaister**Facilitator:** Cheryl Henry**Music Coordinator:** Tony DiNuzzo**August 26: "Poetry: Creativity—The Name and The Game" by John Gorman**

"Poetry" comes from a Greek word for "making." The idea that language itself can modify reality and pin down identity is a very old one, as the opening chapters of The Book of Genesis attest. Poets love to brag about their power to change the world. John will bring in examples from his own work and that of those more famous.

John is Professor Emeritus of Literature after nearly forty years as a professor at UHCL. His poetry has been published in numerous journals throughout the U.S. and Canada and is collected in four chapbooks including, "The Oxford of Floodplain," which was produced to celebrate UHCL's 20th anniversary. John was named one of three "State Poets" at the Austin International Poetry Festival in 2012.

Greeter: Sharon Goodwin**Board Member of the Day:** Tony DiNuzzo**Facilitator:** Vickie Francil**Music Coordinator:** Bruce Mauzy**Monthly potluck lunch immediate following the service*



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 8/2 –Susan Baker, Kathy Domsy, Rosa Morgan, & John Stokes, 8/5 –Christy Callahan, 8/6 –Larry Janzen & Stan Blasyk, 8/9 –Jo Ann Ross, 8/16 –Victoria Newsome, 8/20 –Russell Cole, 8/24 –Rick Altemose, 8/31 –Jessica Antonelli & Dawn McCarty			1 8p AA Phoenix Group	2	3 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	4
5 <u>Compassionate Offering</u> 10:30a Rev. Bob Tucker, "Hope & the Quadrilateral" and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix Group	6 6p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled)	7 1:30p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled) 5:30p Memorial Svc for Glenn Smith (Donations to Citizens Climate Lobby)	8 7p Book Club: <u>A Very Expensive Poison</u> by Luke Harding 8p AA Phoenix Group	9	10 10a Admin/A-Team Meeting 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	11
12 10:30a Rev. Jenifer Wagley, "Radical Hope" and Children's Religious Educ 6:30p Spirituality of Poker, TBA 6:30p Game Night, TBA 8p AA Phoenix Group	13	14	15 8p AA Phoenix Group	16 5:30p Board Meeting	17 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	18
19 10:30a Chalice Circle Members, "Our Right Relations Covenant" and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix Group	20 6p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled) <i>REMINDER: Send monthly announcements administrator@uugalveston</i>	21 1:30p Chalice Circle (must be pre-enrolled)	22 8p AA Phoenix Group	23	24 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	25
26 <u>Potluck Lunch</u> 10:30a John Gorman, "Poetry: Creativity—The Name and The Game" and Children's Religious Educ. 8p AA Phoenix Group	27	28	29 8p AA Phoenix Group	30	31 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	