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Online at [uugalveston.org](http://uugalveston.org)*We welcome the full range of human diversity, that is, age, race, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and ethnicity.***Theme for our Programs in May: "Forgiveness"**

The Buddha said that holding on to anger is like holding a hot coal with the intention of throwing it at someone; you are the one who gets burned. But forgiving someone who has wronged you is difficult. Why is forgiveness so hard? Can you forgive freely? Does forgiving mean forgetting or condoning the behavior?

- ◇ "Forgiveness is not always easy. At times, it feels more painful than the wound we suffered, to forgive the one that inflicted it. And yet, there is no peace without forgiveness." -- Marianne Williamson
- ◇ "The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong." -- Mahatma Gandhi

Please join us for our Sunday services in May, as we dive into the theme of Forgiveness.

**May 6: "If We Don't Do This, What Do We Do?!"**  
by Rev. Chuck Freeman

Texas is ground zero for our identity as a nation and our identity as a faith. It's that simple. With the Anti-Sanctuary bill now law (SB4), our Hispanic neighbors are in jeopardy for their freedom, safety, and very lives. With the DACA decision, add 124,000 of our Hispanic youth to the bigoted target list. During abolition and after the Fugitive Slave Act passed, many UUs were active in the Underground Railroad. Protesting, writing letters, resisting, and rallies were not enough. We are in a parallel historical moment now. The Texas UU Justice Ministry (TXUUJM) is actively encouraging and equipping congregations to develop and join Sanctuary Networks. How will your congregation respond?

Rev. Chuck Freeman has been in the ministry since 1977 serving Church of Christ and Unitarian Universalist congregations. He is founding minister of the Free Souls Church in Round Rock, Texas. Chuck is a founding member of the Texas Unitarian Universalist Justice Ministry and its Executive Director.

**Greeter:** Madeleine Baker

**Board Member of the Day:** Ed Beasley

**Facilitator:** Carlos Price

**Music Coordinator:** Bruce Mauzy

*Compassionate Offering for Communities In Schools*

**May 13: "No Guilt, No Regrets, No Forgiveness"**  
by Rev. Bob Tucker

The shift from collective innocence to collective guilt has led to a seller's market for guilt. Few, though, are feeling the pain. 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:** Sandra Sullivan

**Board Member of the Day:** TBA

**Facilitator:** Bruce Mauzy

**Music Coordinator:** Tony DiNuzzo

**May 20: "Drinking Poison"**  
by Rev. Randy Partain

It's been said that holding onto resentment is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die. If we know that it's harmful for us to refuse to forgive, why do so many of us keep drinking the poison? And, more importantly, is there a way for us to stop?

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 is passionate about meaningful, authentic community, and he earned a Master of Divinity degree (as an open atheist at an evangelical Christian seminary). He became endorsed as Humanist Celebrant, instead. He encourages people to think about what they believe and to live out their beliefs meaningfully.

**Greeter:** Judy Glaister

**Board Member of the Day:** TBA

**Facilitator:** Mary Case

**Music Coordinator:** Bruce Mauzy

**May 27: "Forgiveness: The Key to a Peaceful Heart and Mind" by Sandra Lopez**

Sandra is a long-time member of our Fellowship and has enjoyed a remarkable career as a Professor at University of Houston in the Graduate School of Social Work. In her retirement, she has shifted gears to a private practice with an emphasis on children and trauma. She and her partner, Kay Schiller, enjoy the company of many kitties and often regale us with their stories.

**Greeter:** Sharon Goodwin

**Board Member of the Day:** Lisa Windsor

**Facilitator:** Bets Anderson

**Music Coordinator:** Margaret Canavan

*Monthly potluck lunch  
immediately after the service*



# MAY 2018



# UU Galveston

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>Sandra López-5/1 Diane Olsen-5/1 Lisa Windsor-5/1 Caecelia Fryrear-5/3 J.T. "Red" Henry-5/7 Joan Patteson-5/10 Cheryl Henry-5/15 Mary Hodgson-5/16 Sharon Goodwin-5/19 Susan Minello-5/27</p>		1	2 8p AA Phoenix Group	3	4 1-3p Hand-crafters Group	5 7pm Potluck dinner with Rev. Chuck Freeman, TX UU Justice Ministry—at Fellowship
<b>6</b> <u>Compassionate Offering</u> <b>10:30a</b> Rev Chuck Freeman, "If We Don't Do This, What Do We Do?!" <u>and Children's Religious Educ.</u> <b>12-6p</b> 5 de Mayo Festival, Crthouse <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix	7	8	<b>9</b> <b>7p</b> Book Club: <u>Hillbilly Elegy</u> by J.D. Vance <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix Group	10	<b>11</b> <b>10a</b> Admin/A-Team Meeting <b>1-3p</b> Hand-crafters Group <b>6-9p</b> Empty Bowl Event at Garten Verein	12
<b>13</b> <b>10:30a</b> Rev. Bob Tucker, "No Guilt, No Regrets, No Forgiveness" <u>and Children's Religious Educ.</u> <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix	<b>14</b>  <b>DEADLINE</b> <i>for returning pledge cards!</i>	<b>15</b> <b>5:30p</b> Board Meeting	<b>16</b> <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix Group	17	<b>18</b> <b>1-3p</b> Hand-crafters Group	<b>19</b> <b>8a-2p</b> Atmosphere Salon Sidewalk Sale, benefiting the Galveston Diaper Bank
<b>20</b> <b>10:30a</b> Rev. Randy Partain, "Drinking Poison" <u>and Children's Religious Educ</u> <b>6:30p</b> Spirituality of Poker, TBA <b>6:30pm</b> Game Night, TBA <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix	<b>21</b> <b>REMINDER:</b> <i>Send monthly announcements to Jo Ross: <a href="mailto:administrator@uugalveston.org">administrator@uugalveston.org</a></i>	24	<b>22</b> <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix Group	23	<b>24</b> <b>1-3p</b> Hand-crafters Group	25
<b>26</b> <u>Potluck Lunch</u> <b>10:30a</b> Sandra Lopez, "Forgiveness: The Key to a Peaceful Heart and Mind" <u>and Children's Religious Educ.</u> <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix	27	28	<b>29</b> <b>8p</b> AA Phoenix Group	30	<b>31</b> <b>1-3p</b> Hand-crafters Group	<b>Save the Dates:</b> <b>Sun, June 10</b> - Congregation Meeting & Lunch, after service <b>Sat, June 23</b> - Houston Pride Festival & Parade