

Sandwich Road Menu

For the Weeks of December 21 & 28, 2025



SUNDAY SERVICE December 21, 2025 at 10 AM at the Meeting House and via Zoom.

"Preparing Our Hearts" led by Rev. Rali Weaver; service associate, Michael Goldring. Together, we will explore the themes of hope, love, and renewal that resonate through both the Christmas season and Pagan Yule traditions. As the days grow shorter, we will reflect on the light we can bring into the world and into our own lives. We'll sing beloved Christmas carols, blending in the warmth of Yule. Let us come together to prepare our hearts for the season ahead, embracing the joys and challenges it brings.

Share the Plate this Sunday will again go to The United Nation World Food Programme.

COFFEE HOUR: As December 21 will be the third Sunday of the month, we ask people **whose last names begin with M-R** to bring a snack to share and stay to help clean up.

Orphans For Christmas or a Seat at the Table: If you are **without plans on Christmas Day or have an extra seat at your table**, please get a cup of coffee and meet up in the library after church to make arrangements to celebrate the season together.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE Wednesday, December 24, 2025 at 5 PM at the Meeting House and via Zoom led by Rev. Rali Weaver; service associates, Jessica and Daniel Mark Welch. Join us for traditional lessons and carols during this candlelight Christmas Eve service.

Share the Plate on December 24, 2025 will go to the Minister's Discretionary Fund. Did you know that every week, Rev. Rali receives urgent calls from people in the congregation and neighbors across the Cape who are struggling to bridge the gap between paychecks? For many, the high cost of living here means a single unexpected expense can lead straight to a housing crisis. Rev. Rali uses the Minister's Discretionary Fund to provide this emergency help quickly. This includes things like grocery cards, transportation, and critically needed emergency hotel rooms on cold winter nights for those facing eviction and homelessness so they can connect with long-term services.

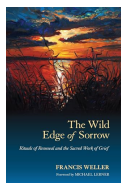
On this Christmas Eve, the night the stories tell us a homeless family sought shelter, our UU Falmouth Fellowship continues its tradition: The entire offering will go directly to the Minister's Discretionary Fund to provide hope and immediate assistance to our most vulnerable neighbors.

SUNDAY SERVICE December 28, 2025 at 10 AM at the Meeting House and via Zoom.

"Doors" led by Rev. Hank Peirce; service associate, Julie DeSorgher. The month of January is named after the Roman god Janus, often featured with two faces—one facing forward, the other facing backwards. Janus is the god of doorways, transitions and beginnings. This Sunday's sermon will ask the question "What doorways have you passed through recently and what doorways are ahead of you?"

COFFEE HOUR: As December 28 will be the fourth Sunday of the month, we ask people **whose last names begin with S-Z** to bring a snack to share and stay to help clean up.

END ZONE READING GROUP: *Exploring Life, Death, and Grief*, hosted by Rev. Rali, Tuesday December 23 & 30 (and every Tuesday) from 6-7:30 PM only on Zoom. In this group, we will explore



topics of mortality, peace, grief, and the sacred work of preparing for the end of life through three thoughtful and transformative books. **The book for December is *The Wild Edge of Sorrow: Rituals of Renewal and the Sacred Work of Grief* by Francis Weller.** This is an exploration of grief as a necessary and essential practice, providing a context for understanding its relationship to personal and collective healing. **To sign up and receive the Zoom login, please contact Rev. Rali at minister@uuffm.org or email admin@uuffm.org.**

SPIRITUALITY DISCUSSION GROUP Returns with Lisa Jo Rudy and Rev. Rali Weaver Wednesday, January 7 (and every other week) at 4 PM at the Meeting House. January 7 Topic: *What is consciousness?* What does it mean to be aware? Is human consciousness different from the awareness of simpler life forms? Maybe we can throw in a conversation about out-of-body experiences in which consciousness is not associated with our bodies.



“GOOD NEWS” COFFEE HOUR, Saturday, January 10 from 9-10:30 AM at the Meeting House.

Do you need some good news and some time with UU Friends? Then plan to join the Membership Committee for a “Good News” Coffee Hour! This follows from the successful Good New Happy Hour held in October. It is an opportunity to focus on good things happening in the world and around us—**so bring a good news item to share!** We’ll provide coffee and tea, but breakfast items are potluck! If you have questions, email Betsy Wilder at betsymail2012@gmail.com.



PLEASE TAKE OUR “COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT” SURVEY. As we repeat each week, we agree that “Love is the spirit of our fellowship and service is its law.” To help us understand ourselves better and to be able to communicate about UU Falmouth with visitors, the Governing Board asks that you tell us how you are involved in the greater community by filling out a survey.



The survey asks about your involvement in service and social activities. The results will be shared within the Fellowship so that Members and Friends might find contact information for activities that they are interested in. Also, the results in aggregate (no names or contact information) will be shared on the website and with visitors to let them know more about the people they will find at UU Falmouth. Please take a minute to fill out the survey online by clicking on this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1_i3Yht-NKkXPh_CN117Mnn1j6Z8vt8VvIZ6MEr4IMwo2yQ/viewform or by filling one out at the Meeting House.

SAVE THE DATES: *The Starting Point Program will begin again Saturdays, February 14 & 28; March 14 & 28 from 1-3 PM at the Meeting House.* The Membership Committee is again offering a unique program designed for Members, Friends and newcomers. This program presents opportunities to experience the deep listening and sharing practices inherent in UU small groups. It promises: an understanding of UU history and the history of this congregation, a new connection to your fellow participants, an experience of UU small group practices, and a sense of the next step in your spiritual journey. **It is important to commit to all four sessions**, either in person or by Zoom.



If you have questions, please seek out any member of the Membership Committee. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Meeting House foyer, or you can sign up by contacting Betsy Wilder at betsymail2012@gmail.com.

MEETING HOUSE CALENDAR

Red = Congregation-wide events open to all

SUNDAY, December 21

10:00 AM Sunday Service
In Person and Zoom
11:15 AM Coffee Hour/Grocery cards
11:30 AM Sermon Discussion

MONDAY, December 22

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM PFLAG CC Meeting

TUESDAY, December 23

8:00 AM Breakfast Bunch
1:00 PM Mah Jongg
1:30 PM Fellowship Group #1

WEDNESDAY, December 24

9:30 AM Writing Time
5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

THURSDAY, December 25

Christmas Day
(NO Men's Breakfast.)

FRIDAY, December 26

1:00 PM Grief Group

SUNDAY, December 28

10:00 AM Sunday Service
In Person and Zoom
11:15 AM Coffee Hour/Grocery cards
11:30 AM Sermon Discussion

MONDAY, December 29

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, December 30

8:00 AM Breakfast Bunch
1:00 PM Mah Jongg

WEDNESDAY, December 31

New Years Eve
9:30 AM Writing Time

THURSDAY, January 1

New Years Day
(NO Men's Breakfast.)

