



United Church of Gainesville

NEWSLETTER

WHOEVER YOU ARE, WHEREVER YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, WE WELCOME YOU.

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The Lenten Journey to Easter

- Sunday morning worship at 9:30 and 11:00am
- Wednesday Contemplative Prayer at 6:00pm – April 6 and 13
- Labyrinth the week of April 10 – see *times on page 4*
- Palm Sunday, April 17 – Holy Roller Sunday in honor of Earth Day
- Maundy Thursday Service – April 21 at 7:00pm
- Easter Sunday – 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00am Services

Sermon – “Every Rising, A Resurrection” – Larry Reimer and Sandy Reimer

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There is no Worship Service at UCG on Sunday, May 1.

Fresh Eyes Seeing, Fresh “I”s Being!

UCG Annual Retreat

at Lake Yale – April 29 to May 1

Come along with us for this wonderful week-end away, filled with times for fun, reflection, play, connections and worship, in a beautiful setting with kindred UCG folks and great programs for adults, youth and children.

Registration: Sundays, April 3, 10 and 17 from 10:15 to 12:15 in the Fellowship Hall

Mondays-Thursdays, April 4-7 and April 11-14 from 9:30-4:30 in the church office.

The happy ending is not always easy to believe in. After the crucifixion, the defeated small band of disciples had no hope, no expectation of resurrection.

Everything they had believed in had died on the cross with Jesus. The world was right and they had been wrong. Even when the women told the other disciples that Jesus had left the stone-sealed tomb, they found it nearly impossible to believe that it was not all over. The truth was, it was just beginning. ~ *Madeleine L'Engle*

“Waiting for Judas,” *Bread and Wine: Readings for Lent and Easter*



What's Happening in April

PNO (Parent's Night Out) on Friday, April 8

Need a night out? PNO is for parents of babies through 5th grade. The kids go to the UCG church school wing from 5:30 to 8:30pm - where they eat pizza*, watch movies, play games, and have fun with their friends and our child care staff. The cost is \$10 for the first child and \$5 for each additional child. RSVPs are required so we have sufficient staffing for the children. **Please RSVP** to alysnm@ucgainesville.org. **by noon on Tuesday, April 5** *Due to life-threatening food allergies, no outside food can be brought in.

20 and Up Group Prairie Outing, Saturday, April 9

On Saturday April 9 at 10 am, Kayla Birdsong will lead our 20 and Up group (for those 20-40-something) to LaChua Trail for a hike. There is a \$2 entrance fee to the La Chua trail. It is a **three mile walk**, round trip, so bring a good amount of **water** and a **snack** and wear comfortable tennis shoes. There is lots of wildlife that we could see- including bison, horses, alligators, birds, etc, so binoculars might be a good idea (and a camera!). It might be hot, and most of the trail is in the sun, so **sunscreen** and a hat are a good idea too. We'll meet in the LaChua Trail parking lot at 10. RSVP to Kayla birdsongkm@gmail.com or Vince Amlin vincea@ucgainesville.org

Supper Club, Saturday, April 16

UCG's Supper Club will hold a **Southern Gourmet Picnic** on Saturday, April 16, 6:00 pm, at the home of Janet and Ron Haase in Melrose. Come and enjoy good friends and a beautiful lake view setting. Recipes are provided for diners to use to prepare the dishes, and the costs of food and wine are shared equally. Singles and couples are welcome. The size of the group will be limited to 40, so if you are interested in participating, please sign up soon. Contact Pat Atkins (335-4872, patkins1@gmail.com), Sue Hartman (373-1049, hart1man@cox.net) or Susan Kirkland (332-2962, susetack@gmail.com) by **Monday, April 4** to sign up or to ask for more information

Holy Roller Sunday, April 17

In observance of earth day this year, we invite all UCG members to observe April 17 as our third annual "Holy Roller Sunday". This means looking for a greener way to get to church. Bike or walk if feasible. Car pool if possible. Combine church with other errands if that helps. Be creative. The only thing we don't want you to do is make the ultimate carbon cut and stay home!

One Great Hour of Sharing, Palm Sunday, April 17

Every year we take up a special collection for One Great Hour of Sharing, the United Church of Christ's emergency relief program around the world. In partnership with other denominations through Church World Service, One Great Hour of Sharing moneys are available when disaster strikes anywhere. OGHS money was there in Japan this year immediately following the earthquake and tsunami. You may simply designate OGHS on your check on Palm Sunday, April 17.

Art in the Library Reception, Sunday, April 17

Art in the Library this month features the paintings and fused glass of UCG member Gretchen Howard. Her interest in these mediums has grown out of classes she has taken with local artists Sarah Hinds and Jacqui Collett. **Join Gretchen for a reception and refreshments on Sunday, April 17 at 10:30am.**

Easter Brunch

Join us for finger food brunch in the Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday, April 24th from 10:30-11:30. **Please bring a finger food to share.** You can drop it off between 10:00-10:30. **We are asking for volunteers to help set up starting at 9:45 and clean up at 11:45. We also need two folks to make coffee at 10:30am.** There will be sign-up sheets for volunteers on Sundays, April 3rd, 10th and 17th.

The Seventh Trumpet

Today's cartoon on my daily "Non Sequitur" cartoon calendar has three guys on a small desert island with absolutely nothing to sustain them. One guy stands up with a smile and outstretched hands saying, "At least we have a balanced budget!" The caption reads, "The last words of 'Silver Lining' Phil."

I am happy to say that I don't have to utter "The last words of 'Silver Lining' Larry." We not only have a balanced budget, we also have a pretty good budget that is balanced. I want to thank everyone for your generosity in getting us to this place. Life in the church looks much better from this side of our budget campaign.

I hope you've noticed our new sign on NW 17th Street. When we built our sanctuary in 1991, UCG member Charlie Williams, with assistance from my sister Jean who owns and runs a sign company in Virginia Beach, designed, built, and painted our previous sign. Five years ago through our endowment fund, we added the marquee portion that allowed us to advertise our sermons and services on that sign. This year we discovered that the original twenty year old sign had finally decayed past the point of restoration. Alyson contacted Gainesville Neon Sign Company, and they constructed the new sign out of something called foam board. It's bright and clean, and proclaiming UCG to the community. We could afford this thanks to our solvent budget.

Finally, I've had an interesting turn on my path of Lenten observance. I'm wearing my purple Lenten bracelet, reminding me of my Lenten practices. One practice I often attempt to follow with widely varying degrees of success in Lent is to talk less and listen more. If you want an example of God's quite ironic sense of humor, listen to this. With AT&T's special offers last month, Sandy and I both got new iphones. Exactly a month and three days after I got mine, the microphone on it quit working. Thus, on all my calls, I can hear but not speak. Sandy was the first to notice the symbolism in this. It's as good a reminder of my spiritual practice as my purple bracelet.

Have no fear, I have an extended warranty, and a new I phone should arrive any day now. In the mean time, I listen to calls, wait for voice mail, and text in reply. There's an old greeting, "Have a good Lent." May this be so for you.

Larry

THRESHOLDS

. . . . SANDY REIMER

I'm thinking of three thresholds this month: two in the church and one in my own life.

The week of April 10, we all have the invitation to walk the Labyrinth in the beauty of our Sanctuary. Words don't do justice to this spiritual practice that allows us to experience our path in life and in our Lenten journey toward renewal and rebirth. So I encourage you to set aside 30-40 minutes of that week to step over the threshold onto the Labyrinth and breathe in the presence of the Spirit. The Labyrinth will be open in the Sanctuary:

- Sunday, April 10 from 4:00 to 8:30pm - with the sounds of the Crystal bowls from 5:00 to 6:00 pm and from 7:30 to 8:30pm
- Monday, April 11 from 8:00am to 5:30pm
- Tuesday, April 12 from 8:00am to 8:30pm
- Wednesday, April 13 from 8:00am to 5:30pm
- Thursday, April 14 from 8:00am to 5:30pm.

Our annual UCG Retreat is April 29-May 1st, another threshold event as we leave behind our usual busy-ness and routine and come away together for relaxation, renewal, fun and respite. Registration dates and times are listed on the front page of the newsletter. This year registration is in the Fellowship Hall, with clearly labeled stations to assist you in the process. Be sure to sign up on the posters to help with one activity or task on Retreat. For each job, there will be instructions in a folder near the posters. You'll be able to sign up for the Variety show as well – and, if you need a ride or can give a ride, there's a rider/driver matching poster too.

At registration, be sure you pick up either the yellow Retreat brochure with all the information (especially for first-timers) or a gold information sheet for Returning Retreaters who don't need the A to Z account. **Also be sure you fill out a registration form and turn it in with your payment.** If you are coming with children/youth, there is a new page attached to the registration form to fill out and turn in. You can also pick up information about attending with children – and information for adults without children, information about RV, tenting and motel rooms – and order a T-shirt if you like.

You can check out the registration form and the information brochure ahead of time on our UCG website at www.ucgainesville.org.

There is a meeting for parents coming to Retreat with babies, preschoolers and elementary schoolers with the program and child care coordinators on **Sunday, April 17th at 10:45 in the West Wing.** Jean Epling is coordinating activities for preschoolers; Christine Denny, for elementary schoolers. Shay Hudleston is in charge of child care for babies and toddlers; Casey Kumar is in charge of child care for elementary schoolers. They'll be at this meeting to give you a preview of activities and a rundown of how child care works on Retreat.

Questions? Call the church office at 378-3500 or e-mail us at info@ucgainesville.org. Most importantly, come if you can!

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THRESHOLDS, CONT'D

The first half of April is also a personal threshold, as I help my mother move from her apartment at the Village to assisted living at the Village Rose Court on April 9. This transition is certainly not an easy one for her or for me, yet we are both hopeful that the increased personal attention will enhance the quality and ease of her day-to-day living. I am grateful for being able to take some family leave so that I can be there for her and also focus on what is currently a long to-do list. I will be at UCG on Sunday mornings in April; I will generally oversee Retreat coordination (so Retreat committee folks, you can reach me via my voice mail or the church office); and I will be present at regular staff, board and Council meetings. However, I will not be scheduling any appointments or taking on any extra projects between April 1 and April 14. I appreciate your understanding and support, and I trust that you will hold my mom, my family and me in your prayers.

There are those who have gone before and prepared the way for our present life; in turn, our present life will give way to the new. Thus it has been, and thus it will be forevermore. And it is for us to take the best of what we have been given and carry it forward into the future for our children and our children's children, with gratitude and blessings. ~ Marylyn Sewell, Cries of the Spirit

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service – April 21, 7:00 p.m.

Tenebrae stands for shadows, specifically the shadow that fell across the earth when Jesus died. One of the beautifully simple services of the UCG Lenten season is our Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service on April 21 at 7:00. The church is clothed in the twilight with no light other than candles on a long table at the front of the church. UCG board of parish ministry members each read a passage of scripture detailing the arrest, crucifixion, and death of Jesus, extinguishing their light after their reading. Eventually there is only one light left, which is hidden, signifying the loss of light in the world.

After a period of silence, that single candle is restored to the table, symbolizing the hope of Easter. Taking this time of quiet, hearing the story of the last day of Jesus life, and experiencing communion together in this setting is an excellent way to lay the foundation for the mystery of rising that is Easter.

This is also an excellent way for older elementary through high school young people to experience this story. Child care is provided.

RECURRING THROUGHOUT THE MONTH

- ★ **Friendship Group** meets in Room 8, at 11:00am, on the first and third Sundays of the month. Margaret Reynolds facilitates this group for church teens and adults with special needs.
- ★ **BYO Lunch Groups** meet at noon on Fridays - Men's in the Kitchen and Women's in the Library. All are welcome to these informal gatherings. No Lunch Groups on April 29th.
- ★ **Campus Ministry** meets most Sundays at 12:15pm in the Courtyard. This group is open to all young adults attending UF or Santa Fe College. For more info contact Rev. David Dean at cddean95@gmail.com.

ANDY'S CORNER

I'm writing my newsletter as we are about to embark on our 7th Work Tour to the help rebuild the gulf coast in the wake of hurricane Katrina. Hard to believe there is still so much work yet to be done.

This year, 26 of us return to the great city of New Orleans. We will be working in St. Bernard Parrish, just south of the lower 9th ward, installing some insulation and hanging some drywall. I am so proud of our young people who come with us every year over their valuable Spring Break to do some much needed, much appreciated volunteer work. The Crescent City beckons once again! Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers.

The week after Work Tour I will be on "Comp Time," but I will return to work on Sunday April 10th.

MSG

(Our Middle School Group meets most every week at 11 am in the youth room. Jackie Nettles and Emily Ott are there to welcome all!)

- April 10** Digital Scavenger Hunt!
April 17 Join Jackie at the second installment of "The Gospel of Mark"
April 24 Easter Sunday, no group!
April 29-May 1 The All Church Retreat!*

Youth United

(Our High School youth group meets the first and third Sundays of the month, from 5:30-7 pm)

- April 17** Year in Review/Plotting 2011-12 and Retreat Prep.
April 29-May 1 All Church Retreat!*

*This year on Retreat, MSG and YU will be Tie-Dying with Mike Myers! Please bring a clean t-shirt to use, and turn it in on FRIDAY of retreat at the check in table.

A Little Child Shall Lead Them

UCG Children's Program ~ Heidi Stein, Director

Schedule

- 04-10-11** No United Tribes Spring Break - Extended Activity time
04-17-11 Palm Sunday
 UT: K-5 - All tribe choir Practice
 Pre-K - Jesus Stories
04-24-11 United Tribes Choir Performance, Resurrection Eggs
 Pre-K - Jesus Stories
05-01-11 All Church Retreat - No Service in Gainesville



NEWS FROM BOARDS & COMMITTEES

From Moderator, Tim Martin

Current moderator elect, Sally Simonis, begins her term as moderator in May. I am pleased to announce that Taylor Stein has agreed to be nominated at our May Congregational meeting to serve as our new Moderator Elect. Taylor is in church every Sunday and participates in, and contributes to, many church activities, including seminars, retreats, and children's outings. His past board service includes Middle School group and Board of Children's Ministry, and he has chaired the Compensation Committee. Taylor was in charge of the most recent Church Survey, and he currently serves on the Congregation Ministry Review Board. Taylor is a professor in the School of Forest Resources and Conservation. He has experience moderating groups of stakeholders to find consensus on contentious natural resource management issues. He has three children ages 18 months – 10 years, and is married to Heidi Stein, the Children's Program Coordinator.

Board of Membership

April is Nametag Month- What a wonderful year it has been for membership at UCG. We have many vibrant new members and we need to help them know who we are. Please wear your nametags each Sunday. If you have misplaced your nametag, there is a small file box in the vestibule for you to write your name tag request. It's easy, and it helps ALL of us.

CMRB

Priority Sunday Says . . . We hope you have enjoyed the "Survey Says . . ." series published by CMRB over the past five months where we have highlighted some findings from the all-church survey UCG members completed in October to assist in the development of the next three year plan. This month we shift the focus of our newsletter column from the Survey to Priority Sunday.

Priority Sunday took place on February 27, 2011. Members of CMRB joined with other members of the congregation to lead small group reflections on five priorities that emerged from the results of our October survey. These priorities included:

- 1) Continue successful programs and enhance what we are doing well.
- 2) Create a plan for Membership.
- 3) Explore specific ways to connect members through their involvement.
- 4) Advance our Communication and Technology Resources.
- 5) Communicate with the congregation about the needs of a growing church and address those needs.

72 people participated in Priority Sunday. Of those, 15 participants joined UCG in the last 2 years. We are thankful for everyone who participated in the small group discussion on priorities for our next three-year plan!

So what happens to all of the thoughtful comments that were generated in small groups on Priority Sunday? All feedback was compiled, sorted and collated into a single document. CMRB members reviewed and working together, we analyzed the Priority Sunday comments at our March meeting, making important notes about concepts and ideas that should be incorporated into the writing of the three-year plan. A Three-Year Plan Writing Team took those concepts and produced a draft of the plan that will be presented to CMRB members for analysis and feedback this month. A revised draft will then be presented to Church Council for a second round of analysis and feedback. After incorporating feedback from Council, a final draft of the UCG's next three-year plan will be presented to the Congregation in May for a vote. In addition, specific ideas for action that emerged in relationship to each priority will be sorted and passed on to appropriate boards and task forces as we begin to implement our three-year plan next year.

The development of a new three-year plan is an exciting time in the life of our church, and a very important component in the generation of the three-year plan is the extensive process we utilize to capture everyone's voices in charting a course for our next three years. With everyone's participation in the process, the future of UCG is sure to be bright!

(Note that responses to the full survey can still be found on the UCG website. On the home page scroll down and click on Link to our recent Self Assessment.)

Other News....

Easter Help Needed!

We are looking for help with a couple of very important jobs on Easter Morning. **We need someone to provide some simple flowers for the stage for Easter Services.** This can be as simple as buying some pots of annuals and arranging them in groups up front. We will reimburse up to \$50 for the flowers. **We also need 2 additional ushers for the 9:30 and 11:00am services and two greeters for the 11:00am service.** If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board on Sunday mornings or contact the church office at info@ucgainesville.org or 378-3500. Thanks!

Book Sale Success!

Our Annual Book Sale was a big success this year: books and book-lovers galore, beautiful spring weather and **over \$1,800 raised.** About half of this money will go toward the church's library and media fund, while the other half will be donated to the Peace Corps project, "Books for Mali." Thanks to all those who made donations, those who purchased items, and a special shout-out to a super bunch of volunteers! ~ Ellen Louis, UCG Librarian

Retreat Jazz Band – Rehearsal April 27

If you're coming on retreat and play a band instrument, Larry wants you in the retreat jazz band. **Practice is Wednesday, April 27 at 7:00pm** in the sanctuary. We've got a new piece of music, not too hard. Let Larry know if you'll be playing.

UCG's Summer Tribal Camp Registration is Coming Soon!

Come and join the fun. Tribal camp is for rising Kindergarteners through rising 6th graders. UCG member families will receive a registration packet in the mail shortly or you can pick one up in the front office. We will host Tribal Camp at UCG weekdays from August 1st through August 12th. We have a limited number of spots that will be filled on a first come first serve basis so please fill out your registration today!



Sundays in April

Regular Sunday Schedule

9:15 - 12:15	Nursery & Toddler Care
9:30	Worship with Children's Story
9:45 - 10:45	United Tribes - after Children's Story
10:30	Fellowship Time
10:45 - noon	Children's Activity Time
11:00 - noon	Worship, Adult Seminars, Middle School Group
12:15	Campus Ministry

April 3 - Food First Food Drive

8:30 - Meditation in the Chapel with Mary Fukuyama

9:30 & 11:00 - Worship "Jesus, Our Long Distance Healer" with Larry Reimer, sermon by David Dean. We welcome David Dean, UCG member, ordained UCC minister, UCG campus minister, and until recently campus minister and director of the Disciples Presbyterian Student Center at the University of Florida to our pulpit. Music by Ned Stewart. 11:00am service includes baptism.

10:15 - 12:15 - Retreat Registration - Fellowship Hall

11:00 - Adult Seminar:

Legal Issues for LGBT Couples with Danaya Wright - Are you in a same-sex committed relationship? Are you a LGBT with children or planning to adopt? Are you interested in legal issues affecting the LGBT community? We are pleased to have Professor Danaya Wright from the UF Law School with us to discuss such issues as marriage/divorce, don't ask-don't tell, employment discrimination, inheritance rights, and living wills and health care proxies. Come with your questions or your curiosity.

11:00 - Friendship Group

2:30 - Sunday at the Movies*

5:00 - Winter Dreaming*

April 10

8:30 - Meditation in the Chapel

9:30 & 11:00 - Worship Mark 8-9. "The Disciples Did Not However Understand What this Rising Meant – Nor Did they Understand Much of Anything else Either" – Larry Reimer. Music by the UCG choir.

10:30 - 12:30 - Retreat Registration - Fellowship Hall

11:00 - Adult Seminar:

Techno-Spirituality with Vince Amlin - Can faith and technology work together? Come explore the best of spiritual apps, websites, podcasts, and more available to you on your spiritual journey. I'll wade through the religious techno-junk and pull out a few gems to share with the group. Feel free to bring your own favorites as we look for ways to connect with God in a connection-saturated world.

12:00 - Retreat Child Care training - Room 9

12:15 - Middle School & High School Teams - West Wing

4:00 - 8:30 - Labyrinth in the Sanctuary open

5:00 - 6:00 - Crystal Bowl concert *with Cindy Bergbower in the Sanctuary*

7:30 - 8:30 - Crystal Bowl concert *with Cindy Bergbower in the Sanctuary*

Sunday's Continued...

April 17 - Palm Sunday

Final Day for Retreat Registration

Holy Roller Sunday – please walk, bike, carpool, combine trips with other errands or use whatever way makes this a greener Sunday.

8:30 – Meditation in the Chapel with Sanford Berg

9:30 & 11:00 Worship – “Mark Part 2: The Story Continues”- Vince Amlin and Andy Bachmann.

Special Offering for One Great Hour of Sharing – this is the annual offering sent to our United Church of Christ for emergency relief and development around the world.

10:30 - Art in the Library Reception with Gretchen Howard

10:35 – Meeting for parents of babies – 5th graders going on Retreat with child care and children’s program coordinators in the West Wing.

11:00 - Adult Seminar:

Rate Your Wellness with Tricia Gregory

Are you “doing ok” when you could be “doing well” or are you “doing well” when you could be “doing great”? This seminar will explore the various areas of our life that contribute to your wellness. It will also consider what behavior changes might raise your score.

11:00 - Friendship Group

12:00 - Feral Readers* - Library

12:30 - Friends Over Fifty*

5:30 - Youth United - Fellowship Hall

April 24 - Easter Sunday - Sermon at all services: “Every Rising, A Resurrection” by Larry Reimer and Sandy Reimer

8:00 – Sermon, Communion, brass and solo by Tim Smith

9:00 - *Coffee and fellowship*

9:30 – Children’s story, sermon, children’s choir, brass and congregational singing of Handel’s “Hallelujah Chorus.” After the children’s story, children Pre-K to 3rd grade leave for an Easter egg hunt.

10:30 - *Coffee and fellowship; please bring a finger food to share.*

11:00 – Sermon, brass, adult choir, and congregational singing of Handel’s “Hallelujah Chorus.”

Child care is available from 7:45am to 12:15pm

Note: There are no United Tribes, youth groups or seminars this Sunday.

May 1

All Church Retreat at Lake Yale Retreat Center – Fresh Eyes Seeing - Fresh “I”s Being

No Sunday service in Gainesville ~ Come join us for morning worship at 11:00 a.m. on retreat.

APRIL 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Lunch Groups 12pm Work Tour Returns TGIF Piano Party* 5pm	2 Linda Stevens Memorial Service 11am
3 Food 1st Food Drive Worship 9:30 & 11am Retreat Registration 10:15 Friendship Group 11am Sunday Movies* 2:30pm	4	5 BAP 7pm	6 Council Exec 12pm Contemplative Prayer 6pm Lenten Adult Small Groups* 7pm	7 BPM 5:30pm BCM 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal 7:15pm	8 Lunch Groups 12pm TGIF Piano Party* 5pm PNO 5:30-8:30pm	9
10 Worship 9:30 & 11am Retreat Registration 10:15 Retreat childcare training 12pm MS/HS Teams 12p Labyrinth open 4- 8:30pm Crystal Bowl 5 & 7:30pm	11 Labyrinth open 8am – 5:30pm	12 Labyrinth open 8am – 8:30pm Budget Summit 1:30pm SJC 6:30pm CIA 7pm BOB 7:15pm	13 Labyrinth open 8am – 5:30pm CMRB 12pm Contemplative Prayer 6pm Lenten Adult Small Groups* 7pm	14 Labyrinth open 8am – 5:30pm Open & Affirming Ministry 6pm Choir Rehearsal 7:15pm	15 Lunch Groups 12pm	16 Supper Club 6:30pm
17 Palm Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11am Retreat Registration ends 12pm Parent Retreat Mtg 10:35am Friendship Grp 11a Feral Readers* 12pm Friends over 50* 12:30pm	18 3rd Monday Project Night 6pm	19 Alzheimer/ Dementia Support* 7pm Newsletter Deadline 12pm	20 Church Council 5:30pm	21 Maundy Thursday Service 7pm Choir Rehearsal 7:15pm	22 Lunch Groups 12pm	23
24 Easter Worship 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00	25	26	27 Retreat Jazz Band Rehearsal 7pm	28	29 All Church Retreat at Lake Yale No Lunch Groups	30 All Church Retreat at Lake Yale

* Pre-registered Adult Small Group

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Looking Ahead at the United Church of Gainesville

May 15	One service at 9:30am Spring Congregational Meeting at 10:30
May 22	Annual Planning Conference for incoming Officers and board chairs
May 29 - June 5	IHN Hosting
June 5	Senior Sunday
July 3	Annual July 4th Celebration - one service at 7pm
July 10	Summer Worship Schedule begins - one service at 10am

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