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Quotation

*The world is my
country, all mankind
are my brethren, and
to do good is my
religion.* – Thomas
Paine

March 2023 News and Programs

Services

- Mar 5th** *Gems of Truth From The 1619 Project Presented by Rowena Water.* When Florida's department of education, under the leadership of Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis, rejected an Advanced Placement course on African American studies, it merely fueled Florida Certified Educator and business owner Rowena Water's resolve to provide opportunities to educate — individually and as a community on this vital history.
- Mar 12th** *Where we have been, where we are now, where we are going.* Presented by UU Deland member **Linda Newman**. This will be a first step in learning about the proposed changes to Article II of the by-laws of our Unitarian Universalist Association. Our church is a member congregation of the UUA.
- Mar 19th** *Alice Paul and the ERA, past, present, and future.* UU Deland member **Deborah McShane** will highlight the work of suffragist Alice Paul, the original proposal, and explore the status and importance of the ERA today.
- Mar 26th** *The Polished Mirror: Islam and the Spiritual Journey.* Presented by **Sam Houston**. This talk will explore the spiritual journey in Islam, especially through the metaphor of the mirror of the soul. It will also touch on such themes as the love of God, the annihilation of the ego, and the interconnectedness of all existence.
- Sam Houston, PhD, is an assistant professor of religious studies at Stetson University. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in history from Baylor University, a master of divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a master of arts degree in philosophy from Boston College. He earned his doctoral degree from Florida State University, specializing in Muslim ethics and comparative religious ethics.

Church Happenings

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP Meets in person at 9:15 am on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. The meetings are open to all who wish to attend. To attend, please contact George Crofts at (919) 397-5143 or by email at joricrofts@gmail.com

Book Discussion Group Meets at Church social hall on the 4th Friday of the month at 10:30 am. Bring an idea for a book you are currently reading and would like to share. For information and Zoom link, contact Karen Wolf at tel: 736-213-2403 or by email at kwolfk99@aol.com

Connecting Through Conversations Group Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday afternoon on Zoom at 1:00 PM. For information and Zoom links, contact Sherry Cupak at cupaks@icloud.com.

Men's Group Meets every Thursday at 7:00 PM. For meeting information contact George Crofts at (919) 397-5143 or by email at joricrofts@gmail.com

Poetry Group Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. For information and Zoom link, contact Karen Wolf at tel: 736-13-2403 or by email at kwolfk99@aol.com