

## **UUFJC Weekly News - May 23, 2026**

**This week's forum:** - Stacy Bax - A1 Data Centers.

**Next week's forum:** -Courtney Beyer, Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption

**This week's Sermon** - A.I. and Religion, Rev. Tony Fisher, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples, Rev. Tony Fisher came to ministry late, following a successful 35-year career in educational publishing. He entered Andover Newton Theological School in 2010 at the age of 58, was ordained into the Unitarian Universalist ministry in 2014, and called to the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples that same year.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3irI7xqfRo&t=4511s>

**This week's UU Moment** - Magnifying Joy - Rev. Meg Riley, Church of the Larger Fellowship - CLFUU, Rev. Meg Riley, a lifelong Unitarian Universalist, was raised in congregations in Charleston, West Virginia, and Akron, Ohio. After serving for 38 years as a religious professional in a variety of capacities, Rev. Riley retired in the summer of 2020. She now serves, with Charles DuMond, as co-moderator of the Unitarian Universalist Association. She lives in Minneapolis, nestled in with her family, animals, gardens, deep friendships, and a vibrant activist community. She is also the editor of Testimony: The Transformative Power of Unitarian Universalism.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1GVqX-3Aqg&list=PLXSqfWmM95KuHpkY-hTQL-DKqQir2WKZF>

**Children attending** in-person are welcome to join RE Instructor Dr Samantha Porter for a lesson during the service hour. May's Theme: Awakening Curiosity.

**Lunch After Services**- Please join us for lunch after the service this week at Mel's.

Chair Yoga  
Tuesdays - 11 AM  
By Donation

Drum Circle  
Meets the 2nd Monday  
of the month from 7-8  
pm

## **This Week's Joys & Concerns:**

If you have a joy or concern that you would like to have read during a service or shared in our weekly email, please submit it by noon on the Friday before through our website: <http://uufjc.org/joys--concerns.html>

\*\*\*Carol Bontempo has been transferred to Boone Hospital in Columbia for a neurological evaluation. Please keep her in your thoughts.

We will also have paper forms available Sunday morning for submissions. Submissions made after noon on Friday may not be read or shared until the following week.

Our part-time minister, Rev Tom Bozeman, will be with us again from Sunday, July 26 - Sunday, August 2. He will have a workshop on Saturday, August 1. All are welcome to attend this workshop. He will also be available for 1 on 1 discussion by appointment.

Intergenerational Book Club's  
Next read  
***The Brother's Karamazov***  
Fyodor Dostoyevsky

Book discussion on  
June 14, 2026 at 2 pm

Meditation Group  
Meets  
Every Wednesday  
7 pm

# VUFJC Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 31

\*\*We will be voting to change our Affirmation of Covenant from  
Love is the doctrine of this (Church)  
To  
Love is the doctrine of this Community



## SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

1. Our Salvation Army team made a special dinner this Friday for the Salvation Army residents. The adults and children enjoyed the change. We served Lees fried chicken, potato salad and coleslaw, with chips, cookies and candy. It was enjoyable.

2. Our guest speaker for this weeks Forum is Stacy Bax. Stacy is a friend and is running for a seat in District 61. But the reason she is coming to present at the forum, is that during her meetings with the public, many folks are voicing worries about AI Data centers in their neighborhoods. Stacy has been investigating this issue, and I asked her to inform us about what she is learning.

Submitted in Peace  
Joan

Caring Committee - please contact Mary Jo LaCorte by email at [uufjc1@gmail.com](mailto:uufjc1@gmail.com) or text to 573-680-9853.

Happiness, Love & Light,

*Mary Jo LaCorte*  
UUFJC Administrator

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