

## Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship – January 5, 2025

[The art hanging at the Fellowship is from Pinky Bass. It will be up until February. Information about the works is posted with the art.](#)

**10:45 Music** *Phil Strniste on guitar*: Old Home Place, You've got a Friend, Alexander's Ragtime Band, After the Ball, Welsh Fisher's Song

**Sunday Service**: Program starts at 11:00

**Greetings from**: *President, Irene Wegner*

**Chalice Lighting**: *Nancy Oehler*

**Announcements / Joys and Sorrows**

**Greeting Our Guests**

**Reading**: *Mary Matthews*

**Moment of Silence**

**Music and Collection**: *Phil Strniste on guitar*, What a Day for a Daydream.

**Introduction** *Irene Wegner*

***Pinky Bass*: Threads of (Dis)Integration**

"I am because we are" Ubuntu Philosophy. "My life, like a tapestry, has threads that have encoded themselves in me and shown themselves throughout my web of people, materials, experiences, feelings and places. Strands pass through barely perceptible pinholes and permeable cells, creating conjunctions to be investigated, interwoven or reworked. Hume says "All ideas emerge from conjunction." My art exhibition currently on display at Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship is like a book composed of pages, concepts, and images."

Pinky received her MFA in Photography at age 50 and has had over 40 solo/duo exhibitions as well as work in numerous museums and collections. She recently was awarded an Alabama State Arts Council Impact Award. She spent her early years during WWII in Fairhope and returned here to live in the late 80s.

**4th Unitarian Principle**: We covenant to affirm and promote a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

**Weekly Haiku by Charlie Suhor**

With language we strain  
in vain to approximate  
our intuitions.

**Pantry Habit**: *Please remember that children will not be in school until after the New Year so bring some food geared toward kids.* Thank you for contributing to our Pantry. There is **always** a need for our Food Pantry! We particularly need pasta, hearty soups, canned green veggies and fruit. One reason people like it so much is that we don't require identification or proof of need. "Take what you need. Give what you can". This has worked well for us! Our neighbors appreciate our generosity! So, **THANK YOU** for your caring! **YOU DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

There is also a “Blessing Box “furnished by **Fairhope East Elementary School**. It is located in front of our pantry, and is specifically designed for personal care items and school supplies. The school will maintain and keep stocked but we can also put non-food items in.

**This Week at FUF January 5 – January 11, 2025**

**Sunday:** Silent Meditation Group, 9:45 am starts January 11

**Sunday:** Children’s class, 10:45-12:15

**Monday:** Open Uke Jam, 2:00-4:00 pm,

**Tuesday:** Men’s group, Kind Café, Fairhope, 9:00 am

**Wednesday:** The Back Porch Folk Singers practice, 3:00-4:30 pm

**Thursday:** Thursday Club, 5:00-7:00 pm, Sage Restaurant

**Friday:** Board Meeting, 12:30

**Next Week Program – January 12, 2025**

**Sandy Tormoen: Baldwin County Trailblazers**

In 1995, the Baldwin County Trailblazers led a 20 year project to create the Eastern Shore Trail, a 23-mile bike and pedestrian pathway from I-10 to Weeks Bay. Sandy will highlight the Trailblazers mission and history and the way they encourage active lifestyles and safe places for walking, including the Walking School Bus program and advocacy for the county-wide bike and pedestrian connectivity plan.

Sandy Tormoen is President of Baldwin County Trailblazers and an avid cyclist, walker, and sunset admirer. She is Finance chair for the E. S. Democrats and on the Finance Committee for the Fellowship. She retired from Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. She has three grown children, two grandchildren & many dear friends.