

Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship August 9, 2026

****Prelude Reminder**—Please keep conversations low in the foyer and enter the Main Hall quietly so everyone may enjoy the music and so our musicians can be heard. Thank you.*

Welcoming Music, 10:45am: “Duet in E Minor,” F. 54 – Wilhelm Friedemann Bach, performed by Heather Nutting, violin, and Gwen Snyder, flute

Meeting, 11:00am

Greetings and Call to Gather: Mary Anderson, FUF President

Welcome

Announcements

Chalice Lighting: Suzanne Tormoen

Collection Music: “Flower Duet,” – Léo Delibes, performed by Heather Nutting on violin and Gwen Snyder on flute

4th Unitarian Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

Reading: Heather Nutting

Moment of Silence

Introduction of Program

Program: Mary Anderson & Virginia McClintock, “UU History, Part 3: Coming to Fairhope, AL”

In the utopian community of Fairhope, Alabama, a bunch of free thinkers came together and gradually formed the Fairhope Unitarian (Universalist) Fellowship now growing and thriving!

Mary Anderson moved to Daphne, Alabama in 2024 and is a 20-year Unitarian Universalist currently serving as President of FUF. Her other title is “Grandma” to a bunch of grands and greats and she believes “it keeps you young and makes you old!”

Virginia McClintock chose Fairhope in September 2025 in large part due to the UU Fellowship and a hunch that she could meet quirky, interesting folks in Fairhope. She was an active member of First Unitarian Church in San Diego in the 1990’s.

This Week at FUF – August 8 - 14, 2026

Saturday, August 8

Sunday, August 9

10:45am—Prelude Music

11:00am—Program Begins

Monday, August 10

2:00-4:00pm—Open Uke Jam

Tuesday, August 11

9:00am—Men's Group, Kind Café in Fairhope

4:00pm—Grief Support Group

Wednesday, August 12

3:00-4:30pm—Back Porch Folk Singers Practice

Thursday, August 13

5:00-7:00pm—Thursday Group (contact Michael Patrick for current meeting location)

Friday, August 14

Next Week's Program August 16, 2026

"Going Native! (With Plants)"

This talk explores the growing sustainability movement to convert lawns to native plants and pollinator-friendly landscapes with a wilder, more naturalistic design focus. The speaker will discuss the history of lawns and turf grasses, as well as the types of native plants best suited for pollinators in our area. This talk will also cover the initiatives the Landscape Committee has begun on the Fellowship grounds.

Growing plants and landscapes has been an interest of our speaker since the age of eight. She was a Master Gardener in Alabama and Tennessee from 2013-2019, completed her Advanced Master Gardener certification in Landscape Design in 2019, and passed the Alabama landscape design exam in 2018. She has volunteered at Cheekwood in Nashville, the Nashville Zoo, and the Gardens at South Illinois University of Edwardsville. In 2019, she also worked for three months on the 30-acre Edward Jones campus in St. Louis, Missouri.