

June 7, 2019



UUCOD Weekly Reminder

SERVICES

June 9, 2019

What Matters To [Straight White] Men?

A personal, limited, observational, - not even original- attempt to understand what's going on, why the movements for equality are so threatening and to invite discussion.

Worship Leader: Rev. Barbara Fast
Worship Associate: Sarah Gonzales

June 16, 2019

Sabbath Keeping

The summer Solstice is near, signaling a traditional time for letting go of responsibilities for awhile. I still struggle with keeping a Sabbath time "holy" each week. Do you?

Worship Leader: Rev. Barbara Fast
Worship Associate: Josette Pacino

June 23, 2019

Feelings Follow Your Thoughts - What's in Your Thought Wallet?

What if there really was a conspiracy... for your good? What if everything existed only to nudge, guide and kick you in the yeah-butt - to UNcover your kindest and best self? What if?

Worship Leader: Dr. Arlette Poland
JD, MA-Religion, MA-Ethical Leadership, Ph.D Professor
Worship Associate: Bryna Blum

June 30, 2019

Where Everybody Knows Your Name

Making your way in the world today takes everything you've got. Taking a break from all your worries, sure would help a lot. Wouldn't you like to get away? Sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name, and they are always glad you came." Recognize these words? They are from a popular television show, and they say a lot about our longing for community. Come join us this Sunday!

Worship Leader: Rev. Lee Marie Sanchez
Worship Associate: Shirley LeMaster

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 9

Socks on the Second
10 am-Worship Service
11:30 am-Facilities Committee

Monday, June 10

5:30 pm-Meditation
6:30 pm-Food Addicts in Recovery
6 pm-DTL Meeting
7 pm-Evening Book Club

Tuesday, June 11

8:30 am-Weight Watchers

1 pm-Women's Retreat Planning Team
5:30 pm-Membership Committee

Thursday, June 13

3:30 pm-Dorian Lesson
5 pm-DOS Choir
7 pm-Bridge

EVENTS

June 9 – Socks on the Second for Galilee

Since UUCOD collected 78 pairs of socks in May for Well in the Desert and Desert Outreach Synagogue collected another 89 pairs for the Well the same month, this Sunday we will be collecting new socks for women, children and men who are asylum-seekers in transit staying briefly at the Galilee Center's overnight farm-worker shelter.

June 15 – Bowling Party at Fantasy Springs

The **Social BUUterflies** invite you to join the Bowling Fun, Father's Day weekend at Fantasy Springs, Saturday, June 15th, 330-530 PM. The bowling party MUST be prepaid (\$15 each) no later than Sunday. Barbara Storms will be helping Thera with collection of funds today after service. The fee payment is needed to reserve your place which includes 2 hours of bowling, shoes, cake, ice cream & punch. Come join the fun!

June 16 – Share-the-plate for OLOG shelter

We are entering the height of grape worker season. Galilee's Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLOG) farmworker shelter is hosting grape workers for the season plus the overflow of asylum applicants that cannot fit in the churches in Coachella and Blythe. This has meant 60 or more asylum seekers per week at OLOG. OLOG needs money for utilities, food and supplies. Let's help them again.

June 19-23 – UUA General Assembly - Spokane, Washington

Every year the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) holds their nation-wide General Assembly (GA). This year the gathering is held in Spokane, Washington. For those of us who have attended even one General Assembly, the feeling of connection and belonging to a larger community plus joining with thousand of voices singing "Spirit of Life" is inspiring. This year we all have an opportunity to be a part of the GA through technology that will stream parts of the GA to our Church.

Opening Celebration: Wednesday June 19, 7:00-8:00 pm

Concert, Emma's Revolution: Wednesday June 19, 8:30 pm

Service of the Living Tradition: Thursday June 20, 7:00-8:30 pm

Rev. Lindi Ramsden will give the sermon.

Rev. Julie will be processing as a retiring clergy.

Ware Lecture: Friday June 21, 7:30-8:30 pm

Poet Laureate Richard Blanco will be the Ware Lecturer.

Save these dates and join us for connection to our General Assembly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Every Sunday: Supplies for asylum seekers

Leslie Gebhart, Vikki Porter and friends will transport your donated goods to OLOG shelter for the asylees who are awaiting tickets to get on buses to be reunited with relatives in US while awaiting asylum proceedings. Needed items include backpacks, shoelaces (sturdy white, black, brown), diapers, baby wipes, maxi-pads for women (no tampons), panties and bras for women, boxers, briefs and undershirts for men and children, toiletries in travel sizes (combs, antiperspirant, razors, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes with covers, toothpaste, etc.), and new or clean gently-used shoes and sweatshirts, sweaters or jackets for travel to places in US where it gets cold at night. Bring items to church on Sunday. Park them by the brown bins for Leslie and Vikki to collect. Thanks!

Unitarian Universalist Justice Ministry of California:

For more information, visit their website: <http://uujmca.org/>

RECYCLE YOUR OLD PRINTER CARTRIDGES

To raise more funds for UUCOD, you can now turn in your used printer (ink) cartridges. Additionally, recycling ink cartridges keeps them out of the landfill. Please put them in the box in the lobby and someone will take them to be recycled and will get \$2.00 a piece for them.

TAKE A SEAT... OR 2... OR 3

We are all enjoying the new folding chairs! Time to find homes for the old ones. You can purchase the older folding chairs and a select few plastic chairs for \$5 each. All proceeds will go in to the Minister's Discretionary Fund. Contact Carol Lavoie at mclavoie@aol.com if you are interested.

SAVE THE DATE

July 4 – Baseball Game and Fireworks

The annual 4th of July Palm Springs Power Baseball Game & Fireworks Show is just around the corner.

Baseball Game begins at 6 PM and follows with Fireworks. It'll be a HOT but FUN night. Invite your friends & let's have a BIG UUCOD section. Sign up and pay now to get one of the 20 tickets for the Tickets are only \$5. each and your payment confirms your group discounted ticket. Pay Thera Pacino or Sheryl Eaton.

July 21-26 – SpiritRest Silent Retreat:

SpiritRest is a facilitated five-day silent retreat for Unitarian Universalists and other spiritual seekers. Our 2019 gathering will be in Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. This retreat is led by UU ministers Sharon Wylie, Arvid Straube, Stefanie Etzbach-Dale, and Lucy Bunch.

Retreatants meet with a spiritual director for a half hour each day. In addition to the practice of silence, there is guidance for meditation, labyrinth walks, prayer, art journaling, Qi gong, and InterPlay. There is also time for singing together. Each day closes with a vespers service at sundown.

Learn more at our website www.spiritrestretreat.com

Newsletter Deadlines: The deadline for the Newsletter is always Wednesday morning.

If you are going to be late, call or email the Administrator at admin@uucod.org asking to reserve space. The newsletter needs to be on the website by 3 pm, Fridays.

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