September 6, 2019



UUCOD Weekly Reminder

SERVICES

September 8, 2019

Non Violent Communication

Pursuing Nonviolent Communication ("NVC"): (1) A personal journey; and (2) A vision for community and action.

Worship Leader: Ben White Worship Associate: Kevin Brandt

September 15, 2019 Intimacy & Ultimacy

"There is a hunger in our hearts for real community, spiritual challenge and growth," C. Dame. This is a sermon in parts: partly about Chalice Circle Small Groups, partly about the shared ministry of growing community and partly about the spiritual challenge of becoming real, to self and each other in this world.

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

September 22, 2019

Learning and Living The Oneness of Humanity: Our Very Survival Depends on It

Lauren's remarks focus on the shared biological, emotional, and spiritual foundations of all of humanity. She will make a compelling case that now, more than at any other time in human history, our very survival as a species depends upon our learning about, believing in, and living in accordance with our profound human oneness.

Worship Leader: Lauren Nile Worship Associate: Bryna Blum

September 29, 2019

Something Good is Happening

Despite appearances to the contrary, especially in the political arena, there is always something positive going on, something good happening, in our immediate world. Betty Bender says it's a friendly universe. Come hear why she thinks life is so good.

Worship Leader: Betty Bender Worship Associate: Roger Beaman

CALENDAR

Saturday, September 7 2 pm-Scrabble

Sunday, September 8 Socks on the Second 10 am-Worship Service 11:30 am-Finance Committee

Monday, September 9 5:30 pm-Meditation

3:30 pm-Special Judges Orientation 6:30 pm-Food Addicts in Recovery

Tuesday, September 10 8:30 am-Weight Watchers 5:30 pm-Membership

Thursday, September 12

7 pm-Bridge

EVENTS

September 8, Socks on the Second for Well in the Desert

Bring September 8 or leave ahead in the Well in the Desert brown bin in the UUCOD lobby. Bring new socks, darker colors very welcome. Well in the Desert Palm Springs distributes to local people living homeless. Your socks cushion footsteps during long treks on foot, provide a sense of comfort and dignity, and keep feet warm and dry. Due to limited space, socks only. For other items, please contact Well in the Desert or another charity and transport those items yourself. Thanks!

Saturday, Sept. 15 - Social BUUterflies and the Board invite you to share in coffee conversation and Ice Cream Sundaes following the worship service.

September 20, UU Justice Ministry of California, Global Climate Strike Website:

"There is a different energy leading this than the folks in the generations that came before." - Jose Oliva, Food Chain Workers Alliance

On Friday, September 20, there will be a youth-led climate strike not only across the United States, but all around the world. The youth organizers leading this global movement know that the effects of climate change are already catastrophic and irreversible, but there are actions we can and must take to mitigate the harm our younger and future generations will experience.

The Global Climate Strike is an intersectionally-aware action, centering racial and economic justice, and following the lead of frontline communities who are already significantly impacted by climate change. As we work to dismantle centuries-old systems of oppression and create avenues for collective liberation, the Global Climate Strike brings together youth activists, climate activists, and union organizers to lift up their demands for change and justice.

You can find more about the September 20 & 27 Global Climate Strike at globalclimatestrike.net, including:

- An FAQ video featuring several of the strike's youth leaders and adult allies, as well as written answers to several FAQs
- Links to RSVP for online trainings on escalation, goals & strategies, and going big
- · An option to sign-up for updates from Global Climate Strike organizers and find locations of strikes happening near you.
- Multiple digital and printable tools to help you spread the word about the Global Climate Strike to your communities and networks.
- A place for you/your community to register your strike/action as one that others can see and join, with resources to support you in planning and preparing your action.

October 12, Second Saturday Stroll

Join us for the October 12 Second Saturday Stroll. We'll beat the heat by heading up to the Pacific Crest Trail trailhead on hwy 74. Be prepared to hike a couple of miles up the trail and then back down. We can then head to the Paradise Valley Cafe (a hiker favorite) for lunch.

Meet at the upper parking lot of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Visitors Center at the base of Hwy 74 at 7:30 to carpool up the hill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Entrance to the Church

On Tuesday September 10th Rancho Mirage will be repaving Via Vail. Access to the church will be through Key Largo.

2020 DIRECTORY UPDATE

We are preparing the annual Directory of Members and Friends before 2020. Please make check mark in the directory at the Member Table on Sunday morning to show the information is correct.

<u>S2S2S 2019 Auditions:</u> S2S2S wants you! As the performing arts arm of UUCOD, we would love to see more church members involved in our productions. Please mark your calendars for September 14, 2019 to come meet with us, audition for roles, sign up for volunteer posts, and get to know us better. We need all kinds of talents and skills, for both on stage and off.

S2S2S just celebrated our 10th year as the Valley's only new works production company. We produce only new and unpublished plays from around the country, so no one can ever complain about seeing an old chestnut again. It's all fresh, new, edgy and inspiring, while always retaining its tie to the principles of the church.

Last season we garnered 25 Desert Theatre League Award nominations for excellence in acting and directing, for our anniversary season. Awards will be presented at the annual DTL Desert Stars Award Show in Oct. In addition to those nominations Chet Cole, will receive a special award- The Sidney Harmon Award- for promoting excellence both on stage and off.

If you have any questions, please ask our Company Manager, Shirley LeMaster. Hope to see you in September. Thank you for your support.

Chalice Circle Info:

Introduction to Chalice Circles with Rev Barbara after worship (1145-1230) September 15. Come and learn about this seasonal congregation wide small group program.

HELP WANTED- Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time with UUCOD friends preparing/setting up/selling/taking down for our garage sale here on Sat., Oct. 5. No experience necessary! Sign up on foyer table. Please drop off sale item donations on Thursday, Oct. 3 from 3-6 or Friday, Oct. 4 from 12-5. Unsold items will be donated at conclusion of sale on Saturday. Contact Carol Lavoie at mclavoie@aol.com or after service. THANK YOU! Household items, antiques, small furniture + accepted.

<u>Every Sunday: Goods for asylum seekers</u>
In triple digit heat, our own Leslie and Vikki drive supplies to Galilee's OLOG shelter in Mecca. Border Patrol here releases some asylees to travel in US to join relatives. They wait at OLOG for bus and plane tickets. They need toiletries and clothes in sizes for smaller adults (no large) and for children (list follows). Bring items to church and place on floor to right of lobby bins & mark FOR GALILEE FAMILIÈS. Backpacks, shoelaces, diapers, baby wipes, gently-used children's clothes (ask neighbors with kids), maxi-pads (no tampons), new underwear for women, men and children, socks, full-sized antiperspirant, lip balms, combs, razors, soap, soap case, travel-sized shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes with covers, and new or clean gently-used shoes, sweatshirts, sweaters or jackets. Thank you to all who sent goods or checks for Galilee.

KICK OFF TO AUCTION 2019!

Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 5:30 PM

The auction is our major fundraiser and we need everyone to help make it a success!

Donation forms are now available in the fover or at the auction table on patio after service. Please consider:

- ~hosting a dinner
- ~personalized tours (Joshua Tree, Living Desert, Air or Art Museum, etc.)
- ~homemade ANYTHING! (breads, cookies, birthday cakes, etc.)
- ~gift certificates (dining, movies, salon services, etc.)
- ~use of vacation home for week or weekend
- ~teach something you love (crochet, cooking, cake decorating, etc.)
- ~themed basket (books, pampering, word puzzles, etc.)

SNOWBIRDS: You can donate from afar! Just email Carol Lavoie with specifics of donation (or questions) and she will do the rest.

SAVE THE DATE

More info to follow on each of these upcoming events as their dates draw nearer:

Saturday, October 5: Garage Sale

Contact: Carol Lavoie

Saturday, November 9: Annual Service Auction

Contact: Carol Lavoie

Friday: December 6 at 7 pm: Roy Zimmerman: Musical Satirist (http://www.royzimmerman.com/bio.html)

Contact: Jane Zaun

Friday, January 10-Sunday, January 12, 2020: Women's Retreat in Borrego Springs

Contact: Vikki Porter

Saturday: January 25: Suzanne Sheridan Concert (https://suzannesheridanmusic.com/) Contact: Rev. Barbara Saturday, February 15, 2020: Cabaret Night Contacts: Peter Mathews and Carol Lavoie 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. Unitarian Universalist Church of the Desert 72425 Via Vail - Rancho Mirage CA 92270 - (760) 321-0694