

January 17, 2020



## UUCOD Weekly Reminder

### SERVICES

**January 19, 2020**

**Love and Justice**

In his Letter from a Birmingham jail, Dr. King wrote: *The time is always ripe to do right.* What are our times ripe for now? Michelle Fiore will be singing.

Worship Leader: Rev. Barbara Fast

**January 26, 2020**

**Women's Rights Are Human Rights?**

Roe v Wade, the Supreme Court case that gave a woman the "right" to terminate a pregnancy up until what was called "viability" of the fetus. It was decided January 22, 1973. It is still controversial and may be reversed by the current court.

Worship Leader: Rev. Barbara Fast  
Worship Associate: Joni Paddock

### CALENDAR

**Sunday, January 19**

Share the Plate

10:00 am-Worship Service

2:00 pm-DOS Choir

2:00 pm-Centering & Resilience

**Monday, January 20**

1:00 pm-Chalice Circles

5:30 pm-Meditation

6:30 pm-Food Addicts in Recovery

7:00 pm-S2S2S

**Tuesday, January 21**

8:30 am-Weight Watchers

4:00 pm-Alarm System Training

5:00 pm-Board of Directors

7:00 pm-S2S2S

**Wednesday, January 22**

9:00 am-Safety Committee

3:00 pm-Chalice Circles

6:30 pm-UUCOD Choir

6:30 pm-Wisconsin Wind Orchestra Concert at

**Thursday, January 23**

7:00 pm-Bridge

7:00 pm-S2S2S

**Friday, January 24**

10:00 am-Endowment Committee

1:30 pm-Afternoon Book Club

## EVENTS

### **Last chance to sign up to rally with UUCOD at 4th Annual Women's March**

The 4th Annual Women's March is Saturday, January 18, in Coachella & you are invited to be part of UUCOD's contingent. We will join women & men throughout the United States & fight for change.



### **January 22, Free Concert featuring Wisconsin Wind Orchestra**

Join Denise Janssen Eager & the UUCOD Social BUUterflies for a Free Concert at 6:30 pm at the Four Seasons. The Wisconsin Wind Orchestra will be performing "An Invitation to the Dance", featuring Handel, Mozart, Lully & Prokofiev. Signup sheet is located in the lobby between the sanctuary doors.

### **January 24, Afternoon Book Group**

The afternoon book group will meet at 1:30 pm at Vonnie Swanson's. The books of Howard Fast will be discussed with "Spartacus" as recommended reading. Please contact Vonnie for entrance at the gate if you plan to attend.

### **January 24, Dylan & Joni & Leonard & Me: Suzanne Sheridan in Concert!**

Mark your calendar for Jan. 24, 7:00-9:00 pm, for a rare West Coast concert by singer/songwriter Suzanne Sheridan at UUCOD. Suzanne, a favorite of East Coast UUs, will perform the music of social justice icons Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell and Leonard Cohen as well her own originals.

Buy your \$25 ticket for this fundraising concert ASAP. Click on the button below the concert description to purchase your ticket. If you prefer to not go online, fill out the paper registration form found in the foyer.

We also need your help to create the atmosphere of a 60s-70s coffee house for this fundraising concert! If you have concert posters, album covers from your favorite folk singers, some acoustic guitars, some pole lamps or table lamps and small table and chairs, please let Fran Hoag know! And, of course, those fun lava lamps would be great to add to the setting.

Let your friends know too! It's a great way to introduce people to UUCOD on a fun, socially conscious evening.

[Purchase Tickets Here](#)

### **January 26, Conversations with Board: Leadership in a New Year**

We need your voice! Be sure to come and participate at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary.

# Centering and Resilience : Self-Sustainability for Activists

Facilitated by Constance Clare-Newman  
Hosted by Unitarian Universalist Church of the Desert  
Social Justice Committee

January 12-February 9, 2020

Sundays 2pm-4pm (skips Feb. 2)

UUCOD, 72-425 Via Vail, Rancho Mirage

Shore up presence, resilience and self-rejuvenation. Continual burn-out and illness is not necessary and does not help our causes.

We will explore individually and as a group:

- How has being an activist impacted your body?
- How does "being different" create hyper-vigilance?
- What do overwork and depletion do to your mind-body being?
- What self-sustaining practices can work for you?
- Can you re-center in challenging moments?
- How can holding space for change be a source of strength?

You will explore how some patterns and habits have become stuck in your body and what options you have to change. You will learn mind-body skills to center and balance, during times of rest and during times of activism and action.

*I want this training to be accessible to as many people as possible so I am asking people to pay what they think it's worth to them, given their individual financial situations.*

RSVP, or more info: [constance@constanceclare.com](mailto:constance@constanceclare.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Plate Collections for Sunday, January 12:** \$678.00

### **January 19, Share-the-Plate**

From Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest: Our mission is to ensure broad public access to sexual and reproductive health care through direct service, education and advocacy. Our vision is a world where sexual and reproductive rights are basic human rights, where access to health care doesn't depend on who you are or where you live, and where every person has the opportunity to choose their own path to a healthy and meaningful life. We operate 19 health centers in San Diego, Riverside and Imperial County that served over 130,000 patients in 2017. The health centers in the City of Coachella and Rancho Mirage serve over 15,000 local patients.

PPSW is our honoree for the January Share-the-Plate. Please bring checkbooks, be prepared to give generously, and make check payable to UUCOD so our treasurer can send them a single check for their share. Thanks!

### **Share the Plate Nomination Process:**

The Social Justice Committee is *excited* to announce a new process for selecting Share The Plate recipients. As you know, our Share the Plate program enables us to extend our stewardship into the community by supporting local social justice organizations. We want to include the *whole congregation* in selecting recipients. We've created a nomination form on which you can elect any organization that is doing great work in the community. When we have the results, we will put the recipient list to a congregational vote. Those selected will become the Share the Plate recipients for September 2020 through June 2021.

[Click Here to Nominate  
Your Favorite Organization](#)



### Calling All Chili Chefs & Corn Bread Bakers

Join us February 2nd when **UUCOD's 4th Annual Chili Cook-Off & Corn Bread Bake-Off** kicks off our 2020 Pledge Drive. Last year, Vikki Porter took home the trophy for her *Vikki's Roots Hold Me Close Chili* & Sally Weitzel took home the trophy for her *Sally's Sumptous Corn Bread*. Do YOU have what it takes to be the 2020 Grand Champion Chili Chef or Corn Bread Baker? Contact Barbara Storms to sign up to be a Chili Chef, Corn Bread Baker, bring a dessert, or assist with the event.



## SAVE THE DATE

Script2Stage2Screen presents

**Taking Care of Mimi**

You can sleep better knowing the family is there for you. Or can you?

FRIDAY, JAN. 30 AT 7:30 PM • SATURDAY, FEB. 1 AT 7:30 PM

**5 for \$10 tickets, the best theater value in the desert.**

**Taking Care of Mimi**  
A family pulled apart and mishapen by insecurities and greed—a surprising mystery plotted against the fragile nature of the human heart. Starring Pamela Cole, Andy Deleorre, Shirley LaMaster, Rapert Smith, Alden West and Domingo Winstread. Directed by Gina Bikales.

52525 PERFORMANCES AT 72-425 Via Vanli, Rancho Mirage (Unitarian Universalist Church)

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT script2stage2screen.com or at the door (cash only)

COMPLIMENTARY WINE AT EACH PERFORMANCE

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

### January 30 and February 1, Script2Stage2Screen: Taking Care of Mimi

### February 2, Calling All Chili Chefs & Corn Bread Bakers

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### It takes a village to have a cook-off.

You can help make the annual Chili Cook-Off & Corn Bread Bake-Off a success by volunteering on February 2nd. We need help:

- Setting up before service
- Enlisting chefs and bakers
- Helping with the awards

Contact: Barbara Storms

### Saturday, February 15, 2020: 'Celebrate Us!' Variety Show (Free admission)

Come enjoy an evening of unique and wonderful UUCOD talent.

Contact: Peter Mathews

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**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](mailto:admin@uucod.org) asking to reserve space. The newsletter needs to be on the website by 3 pm, Fridays.

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