

October 22nd, 2021

## UUCOD WEEKLY REMINDER

### Michael Allen Event Lighting and Music!

Michael, our incredible behind the scenes techno-genius and an in-demand local DJ, will make your event a memorable one by setting up lighting for your event and providing his DJ wizardry.

Event limited to no more than 300 people and 8 hours and may include indoor or outdoor event (weather permitting) within 25 miles of UUCOD. .

Date: TBD--for a large event (wedding, block party, Bar Mitzvah, etc) 6 weeks before.  
For a smaller event (backyard BBQ, private parties, etc.) 1 week before.



## SERVICES (In-Person and via Zoom)

The service will be live in the Sanctuary for Members and Friends **ONLY** and live streamed on Zoom. You may choose to attend in person (if you meet the requirements) or online.

Because of continuing Covid infection rates we are keeping our Covid Protocols for the September services. Attendees must be fully vaccinated, wear masks, maintain six feet of separation, and only one family may enter a restroom at a time. **Only UUCOD members and friends at this time, no guests or general public.** Please do NOT attend if you feel ill or if you recently traveled or attended a large indoor event. We will also take other steps such as contact tracing, providing hand sanitizer and masks if you forget as well as other mitigations.

Worship Service/Sunday Together

October 24, 2021

**What's in a Cup of Coffee?**

**Worship Leader:** Rev. Tania Márquez

**Worship Associate:** Bryna Blum

Rev. Tania Márquez returns virtually and invites us into a reflection on a trip to Nicaragua and the connections between producer and consumer in our society.

October 31, 2021

## Honoring our Ancestors

**Worship Leaders:** Peter Mathews and Josette Pacino

Join us as we share reflections on ancestors and how they live on in our lives, rituals, and traditions.

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## COLLECTIONS BASKET

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### Communication with the Tech Team During Services

To communicate with the Tech Team during the service, please use private chat to AV Tech Monitor. We will not be able to respond or answer questions live but it will be helpful for us to know if there are issues in the stream.

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### Covid-19 Update

If you missed the email sent out on Wednesday, October 20th please click on the link below for the latest information on the UUCOD Covid protocols for attending Sunday Services:

[Updated Covid Protocols for Sunday Service](#)

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## CALENDAR

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### Meetings

**Sunday Worship Service:** Sunday, October 24 @ 10:00am

**Sunday Together:** Sunday, October 24 @ 11:00am - 12:00pm

**Work Party:** Monday, October 25 @ 8:00am - 9:00am

**Monday Meditation:** Monday, October 25 @ 5:30pm - 6:30pm In Person with masks

**Worship Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, October 26 @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

**Women's Night Out:** Thursday, October 28 @ 3:00pm on the Church patio

**Life Span Group:** Friday, October 29 @ 10:30am - 12:00pm

**Chalice Circle:** Friday, October 29 @ 1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Afternoon Book Club Meeting:** Friday, October 29 @ 1:30 at the Swanson's House

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Collections for October 17th, 2021:** \$363.00

Share the Plate: \$473.04

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### A Message from Rev. Ian

I will be away on vacation starting Sunday, October 24, and will return to the office on Monday, November 1. For pastoral issues while I am away, please reach out to our Care Team or to Rev. Don Stouder. For other issues, please contact Pam Bibbo in the office and

she will help you talk to the right person. Have a wonderful week!

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## Gals, Pizza & Fun at Last!

Come join us for a fun afternoon on Thursday, October 28 at 3:00pm on the UUCOD patio for a Covid re-emergence version of WOMEN'S NITE OUT. It's been a long time coming and we want to ease into gathering together, so this is an experiment & lets see where it takes us. (Just a note: in case of windy weather, we will move into community room so immune-compromised be aware).

Phone in your food / beverage order to *The Slice* earlier in the day & tell them your order is part of the UUCOD order for 3:00pm pickup & pay by credit card (please include tip). Bring your own beverage, if you prefer. Visit *The Slice* website as they have many options other than pizza: salads, soups, pasta, etc. Their lunch specials are a bargain & are good until 4:00pm.

We'll have tables & chairs set up on the patio for you. Let's have a fun afternoon of catching up IN PERSON & if you want to join our group afterwards @ the Palm Desert Civic Center for the last of the October Concerts (6pm) don't forget to bring your lawn chair.

If you have questions or need a ride please contact Sheryl Eaton.

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## Afternoon Book Club Meeting October 29th

The afternoon book club will be having it's organizational meeting for the 2021-22 year on the last Friday of the month, October 29th, at 1:30. The meeting will be on the patio at Jim and Lavonne Swanson's home. You can be a part of developing the format in regard to when and where to meet as well as selecting a reading list for the year. We look forward to welcoming men and women to this vibrant discussion group. Contact Lavonne Swanson for more information.

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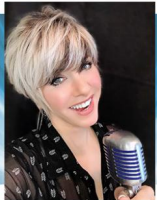


CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE  
RANCHO MIRAGE  
CULTURAL COMMISSION

**AN EVENING WITH  
LIZANN WARNER**

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST BILL MARX  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021, 7 PM

RANCHO MIRAGE AMPHITHEATER  
LOCATED IN RANCHO MIRAGE COMMUNITY PARK  
71560 SAN JACINTO DRIVE



## Free Outdoor Concert

Another free outdoor concert is being offered in Rancho Mirage. Email or text Sheryl Eaton, if you plan to attend.

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# 2021 UUCOD AUCTION UPDATES

Please join Michael in supporting the 2021 UUCOD Auction.

'Best Bid' Silent Auction (at UUCOD) Friday, November 5 from 10 am- 4 pm

Live Zoom Auction Saturday, November 6 from 5:45 pm - 8:30 pm



## DON'T LOOK AWAY! RSVP TODAY!

You must register in order to bid on any of the 85+ items listed below. Simply click the Auction RSVP link below to register. It is easy and FREE.

Auction registrants will receive an Auction Packet approximately a week prior to the auction. Included in packet will be a bidding paddle, the auction item list and easy-to-follow instructions.

If you are local please respond by 11/1  
If you are out of town please respond by 10/21  
Contact Carol Lavoie for more information

[AUCTION RSVP](#)

## SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATES



### Major Announcement to Palm Springs Pride Parade

Following Palm Springs's COVID compliance mandate to wear masks in large gatherings, a generous Social Justice Benefactor has gifted us with breathable KN95 masks that protect both the wearer & others and Rainbow Pride masks to wear over them.

Now you will be able to choose whether to single or double mask when you walk!

You will also have the option of carrying our UUCOD Banner or small pride flags, & handing out rainbow bookmarks.

Date: Sunday, Nov. 7th

Time: 10am - noon

Parade Length: 1 mile starting at Palm Canyon at Tachevah & walking south to Tahquitz Canyon

For more information & to sign up, click this link:

## LIFE SPAN SPIRITUAL GROWTH

### **Awakening to the Grace in Aging** Facilitated by Peter Mathews and Bryna Blum

Tuesdays, 10 am to Noon,  
November 2, 9, 16, 23

Recommended Reading:  
The Grace in Aging: Awaken as You Grow Older  
by Kathleen Dowling Singh

Registration Limit: 20 participants

This potentially transformative workshop will take place on Zoom. They will be invited to share their insights on the advantages of aging, on their challenges and solutions regarding aging, and on their plans to acquire additional spiritual growth in the future. Participants will reflect on their experiences which arose from reading the recommended text.



## NEWS FROM THE CARE TEAM



### What is "Care?"

It is looking out for the others in your community, whose health is a matter of great importance.

This is why ONLY members and friends may attend services in the sanctuary on Sundays until further notice.

Come if you are vaccinated (you must show proof of vaccination) and if you are willing to stay masked while indoors in seats where we are all socially distanced from one another.

Those are the rules for now....because we CARE about our UU family.

Bryna Blum  
Care Team Chair

### **Save The Dates for the UU Regional Assembly**

Save the dates: *Reflect, Rejoice, Renew*, PWR Assembly, Friday, February 4 through Sunday February 6, 2022. This is a Regional Assembly held virtually and on site in San Diego, CA. More information to come on this great opportunity to participate in our Regional Assembly.

**Pam's Hours:**  
Monday-Thursday: 9:15 am - 2:00 pm

Friday: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

(Please note Pam may be on errands during office hours so please call to ensure she is in the office)

**Newsletter Deadlines:** The deadline for the Newsletter is always **Wednesday** morning. If you are going to be late, please call or email Pam asking to reserve space. The newsletter will be posted on the website by 3pm on Friday.

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*“Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the autumn tree.” ~ Emily Bronte*

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[Visit our website](#)

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