

The Acorn

October 12, 2018

This Week's Events and Meetings

SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday,
October 13**

9:00 A.M.
Congregational
Mission/Vision
Workshop. All are
welcome!

**Wednesday,
October 17**

7:00 P.M.
Council of Chairs

**Saturday,
October 27**

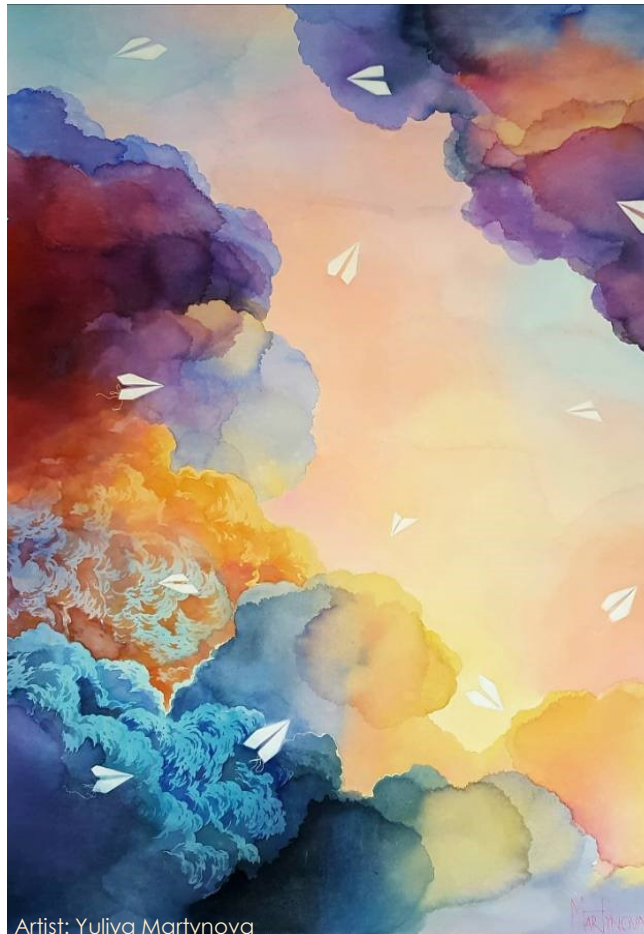
9:30 A.M.
Path to
Membership

09/02/18

Live Oak Social
Justice Fund -
Disaster Relief
\$380.00

09/16/18

Goleta
Headstart
\$364.50



Artist: Yuliya Martynova

Advancing Just Migration for All

Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki

This year, 2018, marks the 70th anniversary of the United Nations' adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Let us celebrate the good work and the vision of the United Nations, while we examine the situation of immigrants and refugees in our world.

Sunday October 14

10:00 A.M. Worship
11:30 A.M. Souper Sunday
11:30 A.M. Table Host
Training

Monday October 15 Limited Office Hours

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday October 16

Live Oak Office Closed

7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)

Wednesday October 17

Live Oak Office Closed

6:00 P.M. Adama (S)
7:00 P.M. Men's
Connection (C)
7:00 P.M. Council of Chairs

Thursday October 18

Limited Office Hours

7:00 P.M. Choir (S)

Friday October 19

10:30 A.M. Hookers &
Needlers (C)

Saturday October 20

No Scheduled Events

Sunday October 21

10:00 A.M. Worship
11:30 A.M. Getting to
Know UU (C)

S=Sanctuary; FH=Fellowship Hall,
C=Cottage

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Upcoming Sermons

October 21: A Sunday Kind of Love Rev. Lee Marie Sanchez

Where can we find a love that, as the iconic singer and songwriter, Etta James sang, "will last past Saturday night and is more than love at first sight?" Well, my friends, you do not have to look farther than right here in this beloved community of Live Oak for a Sunday Kind of Love that gets you from Sunday to Sunday, every week. I always enjoy coming to see you all and I am so looking forward to doing that again soon.

October 27: Dia de los Muertos Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki

In many traditions it is thought that the veil between our world and the afterlife is at its thinnest at this time of year. Come join us today as we remember friends and loved ones who have passed away. Together we will build a beautiful *ofrenda*, an altar offering place in the tradition of the Mexican culture, for pictures and objects that remind us of our loved ones. **PLEASE BRING A PICTURE OR SMALL OBJECT TO PLACE ON OUR OFRENDA DURING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE.** Silk marigold flowers will also be available for all who would like to participate.

Children's Religious Exploration

Thank you so much to Holly and Stephanie for working in RE last week, and thank you to Jacob for joining me in Coming of Age.

This week, we look deeper into the idea of Sanctuary... a sacred space like our own very special Sanctuary space. We are looking at the idea that WE are also Sanctuary for each other, we offer sanctuary in others time of need. A true American expression of this is the quote from the Statue of Liberty "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses..." as an expression of how we offer sanctuary to those in need. If you are a Statue of Liberty fan, this is your week in RE!!

Coming of Age deepen their own process this week as my friend Fredda Spirka comes to Live Oak and will do a yoga class and guided meditation with the teens this week, and truly I am so looking forward to this. And of course, a little journaling this week.

NEW COLOSSUS (Sonnet from Statue of Liberty)

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
 With conquering limbs astride from land to land,
 Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand
 A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame
 Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name Mother of Exiles.
 From her beacon-hand Glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command
 The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.
 "Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she, With silent lips. "Give me your tired,
 your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
 The wretched refuse of your teeming shore; Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to
 me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

Children's Religious Exploration Continued

INTERGENERATIONAL GAME NIGHT THIS FRIDAY @ 6:30

Thank you Gloria and Jeri for hosting, and feel free to bring snacks to share. See you there!! All ages welcome and bring your friends! This Friday night!!

"Canada should always open it's doors to those who are oppressed or in cases of emergency. When Canada offered refuge to 50,000 boat people in Vietnam in the 1970s, I was particularly proud to be Canadian." –David Suzuki

Joys & Sorrows

As a community we hold all in our loving thoughts and prayers

- **Rev Tamara:** First candle was lit for all survivors of sexual assault abuse and misconduct who are suffering greatly especially in light of the recent Supreme Court hearings. She also shared a sorrow regarding a recent former minister at the Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara and asked that all Live Oakers hold our sister congregation in our hearts as they face difficult news.
- **Gil Green:** Shared that he and Diane had a wonderful trip to Scandinavia. Also, a joy that he and Diane celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary last Friday, Oct. 5th.
- **Jeri Moulder:** Shared a joy and a sorrow. Joy that she and Paul will be moving to Samarkand around the end of 2018, but a sorrow that she will be moving from the home they have enjoyed for many years.
- **Kristin Ingalls:** Shared her sorrow at the death of her longtime friend Marilyn, who passed last Sunday, Sept. 30th. She also shared a sorrow in memory of Debbie, who would have been 55 on this Sunday 10/7.
- **Susan Banks:** Joy in visiting Goleta to be with her daughter who just gave birth to her only grandchild, River Sage Banks, a healthy seven pound girl.
- **Christine McDonald:** Shared she would appreciate positive healing thoughts for her twin sister who will be entering a rehab facility.
- **Lars Poulsen:** Joy in celebrating his 5th anniversary married to Colleen.
- **Barbara Hodgdon:** Shared joy of her 60th high school graduation. Also took a side trip to West Virginia to visit North Holsten, a town that was started by her grandfather in 1907. Through an acquaintance, she was treated to a fine history lesson and tour of the town.
- **Susan Braden:** Shared that her older brother is suffering from mini strokes which are leading to some serious emotional issues. Also concerned about the increase in deportations.
- **Rev. Tamara:** Shared that Jane George is recovering from knee surgery and is looking forward to returning to Live Oak as soon as she can drive.



****The Live Oak Auction is coming soon! Be sure to turn in your donation forms! ****



**LIVE OAK U.U.
CONGREGATION
PRESENTS:**

Auction and Entertainment
Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018 4-8 pm
**LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS, FOOD
&
ENTERTAINMENT**

- **Come early:** Silent auction starts at 4 pm .
- **Dress up in costumes:** America throughout the ages. Be creative, it is all for fun.
- **Invite your friends:** Tickets are only \$5 per person, which covers food and nonalcoholic drinks. With each ticket you purchase get a free ticket for a friend/not a Live Oak member.
- **Special Auctioneers:** Alexandra Williams and Jim Ross.
- Childcare provided on request.

Marie Arnold, coordinator
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Path to Membership

Are you thinking of becoming a member of Live Oak? We'd welcome you!



The Membership Ministry will be hosting the next "Path to Membership" class on Saturday, Oct. 27th, 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 p.m. Rev. Tamara will lead this class, and a delicious lunch will be included. Please let us know if you would like to attend.

This is a required step before becoming a member and will help you make an informed decision before joining. RSVP to the Membership Ministry at membership@liveoakgoleta.org. Include any childcare or dietary needs.

Pastoral Care News

In Case of Emergency

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED SO FAR!! If you have a bed that could be made available in the event of an emergency, you can still be added to our list. This list will be used by Rev. Tamara and the Pastoral Care Team, if needed, to pair up evacuees with available space.

If you would like to be on this list, please let Pastoral Care Associates know at pastoralcare@liveoakgoleta.org.

After the July Holiday Fire came close to our neighborhoods around Live Oak, the Pastoral Care Team thought it would be helpful to have a list on hand of people who have an extra room or guest room that they would be willing to make available to a UU who needed to evacuate without another place to go. This might include USSB members or San Luis Obispo or Ventura members. They have offered help to us during our recent fires, and we'd like to be able to do the same.

Social Justice News



Postcard writing for immigrant families **humane** treatment after the LO Service on Sunday! Stop by and send a message to the Trump Administration.

Warming Centers will be opening in November! Join our team! Contact Jan Ross for more information (jandjross@cox.net, 570-3133.)

LO Social Justice Ministry Meeting on October 24 at 4:30-6:30. Everyone is welcome in the Cottage!

Community Activities

- **October 28: CLUE Annual Workshop** "Interfaith Organizing A Welcome Home" 3-5pm Unitarian Society, <http://cluesb.org/>
- **October 29: SURJ Book Club, *The Fire Next Time***, 6:30-8:30 Live Oak Café, 2220 Bath
- **November 15: A Black Lives Matter Memoir with Author** Patrisse Cullors, SBCC Garvin Theater 12:45-2:05. UCSB Corwin Pavilion 6-7 free

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values into Action

Help Get Out the Vote! Canvassing: Sundays 1pm from 1025 Castillo Street,
Phonebanking: Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-8pm, same location. To sign up, contact Tyler Gibson at 805-364-2685 or wtylbergibson@gmail.com

IMMIGRATION

The Trump administration is seeking to jail migrant children with their families indefinitely. Detaining children for more than 20 days is illegal, but the administration says it will terminate the Flores Settlement Agreement that has governed the detention of migrant children since 1997, claiming it would issue new regulations that "satisfy the basic purpose" of the Flores settlement. We have 60 days to register our [comments here](#).

There are still many children incarcerated, both from those separated from their families and incoming unaccompanied children crossing the border. From the NY Times 9/12, "Even though hundreds of children separated from their families at the border have been released, the overall number of **detained migrant children** has exploded to the highest ever recorded." - [The New York Times](#)

Keep the pressure on this administration to reunite families!

Our Members of Congress

- * Dianne Feinstein - LA office 310-914-7300, Washington office 202-224-3841 senator@feinstein.senate.gov.

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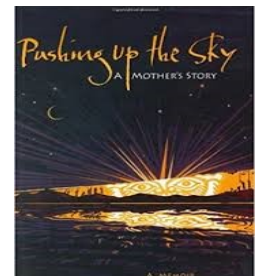
Social Justice News Continued

- * Kamala Harris - Sacramento 916-448-2787, Washington 202-224-3553 senator@harris.senate.gov.
- * Salud Carbajal - Congressman-24th district, Washington 202-225-3601, San Luis Obispo office 888-202-8934, Contact through his site

Afternoon Book Group

Monday, November 5th, 2PM in the cottage at Live Oak, we will discuss *Pushing Up The Sky: A Mother's Story*, by Terra Trevor.

Terra Trevor
Email: terratrevor@gmail.com
<http://terratrevor.blogspot.com>



Guests are welcome.

For Information please contact Jeanne Northsinger 805-898-1085 jnorthsinger@gmail.com.

Head Start Donations

The Head Start folks wish to convey their continued appreciation of Live Oak's Sunday food donations. Their only other source is the Food Bank.

These items are especially desired:

Cereal, rice, cans of tuna fish, peanut butter & jelly or jam, spaghetti sauce, pasta (all except lasagna), beans (all except black beans).

They cannot accept expired foods.
Thanks for your support.

Happy Birthday to friends and members celebrating upcoming birthdays !



Rebecca Cabeen 10/17, Peter Haslund 10/19, Carter Morgan 10/19,
Jeanne Northsinger 10/19, Barry Osborne 10/19,
S. Krystal McCauley 10/23, Liz Zok 10/24, Sue Dixon 10/25, Elaine Harbison 10/27

Consider renting Live Oak for your next event! Call 805-967-7867.