

The Acorn

July 15, 2018

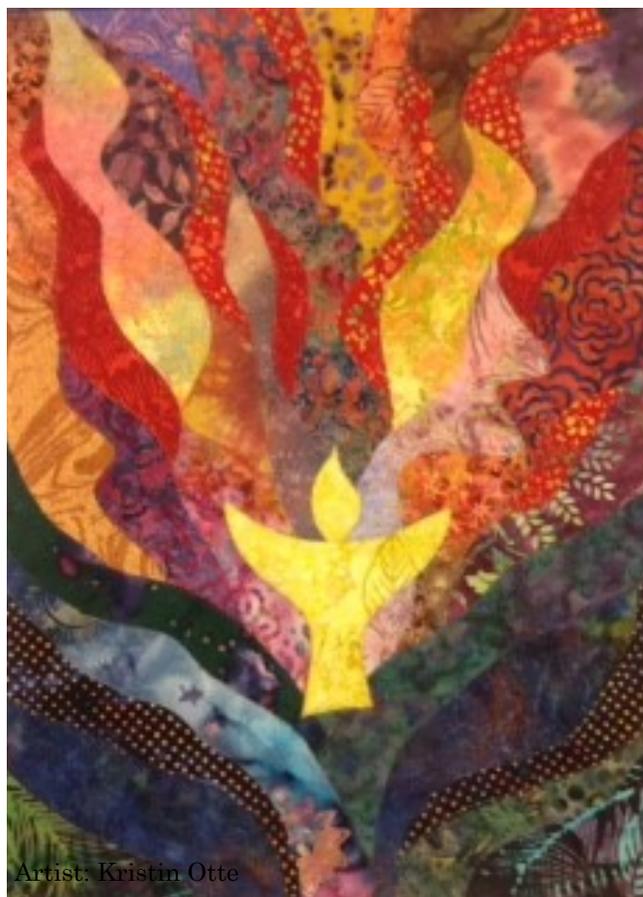
This Week's Meetings and Events

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00-12:00

&

4th Sunday of
each month



Artist: Kristin Otte

No Time for a Casual Faith

Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray

We will watch Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) President, the Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray, preaching at General Assembly's Sunday morning service. She reflects on her first year as UUA President, and her experience going to Charlottesville in 2017 to face white supremacist violence.

Sunday July 15

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

Monday July 16

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday July 17

7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)

Wednesday July 18

7:00 P.M. Men's Connection

Thursday July 19

No Scheduled Events

Friday July 20

10:30 A.M. Hookers & Needlers (C)
4:00 P.M. Rental (C)

Saturday July 21

No Scheduled Event

Sunday July 22

10:00 A.M. Worship

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

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Upcoming Sermons

July 22: Opening Our Hearts With Social Justice

Do you find the current policy decisions coming from Washington make you more and more uncomfortable? Have you wondered how you can make a difference? Come join our voices together in songs and words that create joy. Jane Gray, Hal Hill and Carrie Topliffe will describe ways their lives have been enriched by social justice experiences.

July 29: Once Upon a Time - Again Michael Eselun

Popular guest speaker and UCLA Oncology Chaplain, Michael Eselun will explore the meaning and hidden gifts that may lie in our stories, just waiting to be told again.

A Message From Rev. Tamara

Dear ones,

Most of you know that I will be away on sabbatical leave from July 2- August 1.

According to the Unitarian Universalist Minister's Association: "Sabbatical leave is an investment that the congregation... makes in the future of a ministry. The minister accrues one month of sabbatical leave each year ..."

Sabbatical leave provides time for ministers to step back from the 24/7 nature of serving our congregations and spend time resting and renewing for the work ahead. Some ministers choose to use part of the sabbatical time to travel, study, read, or engage in other forms of professional development.

After four years of serving as your minister, I am grateful to have the opportunity to take this month of sabbatical leave. My plans are fairly open but will include lots of reading and studying, gardening, time with family, and a few days on retreat. While on sabbatical I will not be answering email or phone calls. The designated people to contact me in case of a congregational emergency are Ron Kronenberg, Board Chair; Clacey Kahn, Administrator; or the Pastoral Care contacts below.

The Worship team will capably assist with all the worship services and the Pastoral Care team will cover any pastoral needs of the congregation. If you need pastoral assistance please contact the people designated below:

- * 7/9-15: Jeanne Northsinger
- * 7/16-22: Colleen Poulsen
- * 7/23-8/1: Wilma Seelye

I wish you all a very restful July and look forward to seeing you upon my return!

With love and gratitude,
Rev. Tamara

Children's Religious Exploration - July

We truly hope that last weekend's fire did not cause you or your loved ones hardship or loss. We are putting out healing energy and thoughts toward the healing of those who suffered loss of this fire and are grateful to the responders for it being short-lived. So grateful we have our spiritual home at Live Oak intact. Blessed be and Amen.

JULY 13-INTERGENERATIONAL GAME NIGHT

Join Gloria and Jeri for a fun evening of games and connection. Bring a friend or friends and remember, ALL AGES!! You are welcome to bring a snack to share.

JULY 15- APPLES TO APPLES

Join Mary and Steven for a wacky game of Apples to Apples. There MAY be fun snacks and a prize for the winner.

JULY 22-BLESSING ROCKS

This is an ongoing project from RE. Melanie and Steven will work together again to create beautiful rocks to send down to the "RE Outdoor Space" in development as we speak. The rocks will bless our space into fruition. We've been working on this since the end of June and there are some really beautiful contributions.

JULY 29-SPOT IT

Another game day and my personal favorite. We have a "fUUn" team of Wendy, Carter and Krystal, and again, some fun snacks to get serious about games as this congregation likes to do. Bring your "A" game for Spot It Day!!

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION MOVING TOWARD FALL

- *We are looking for teachers for fall classes which will begin Sept 18.
- *We are looking to have our RE Outdoor Space ready to use in some capacity by then.
- *We would love to invite new teens into Coming of Age for this fall.
- *We are organizing for a Camp deBenneville Pines weekend Sept 28-30. Check this out at <https://cvuuf.org/events/fall-camp-debenneville-retreat-2018/>. Our contact personal is Krystal McCauley and you can reach her at mccauley-k@ucsb.edu.

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RE OUTDOOR SPACE

Our dear Michael Wittman is spearheading work to bring our RE Outdoor Space to a place of welcome, inspiration and...well....usefulness. Now through summer, he could use some help to anyone who can use power tools, likes to build, or who can take direction and likes to work outside. If you are available during the day and want to know more or are interested in helping, let Michael know at michael.wittman@verizon.net or call/text at 807 570 0886. Thank you.

FOOTLOOSE AT SBHS

If you are wondering where Steven has been, he has worked in the mornings so he can choreograph and direct his summer theatre intensive. This year, the show is Footloose and it will be performed at Santa Barbara High School Sat/Sun July 21/22 at 2:00 & 7:00. Hope you can make it!

"The difference between a good life and a bad life is how well you walk through the fire"
- Carl Jung

Friday Night Movies

There will not be a movie this Friday, July 13. Instead, Religious Exploration will be offering a intergenerational game night. Come and join the fun!



JULY 20 - BLACK PANTHER 7:00 P.M. Discussion to follow

Follows T'Chalia who, after the events of "Captain America: Civil War," returns home to the isolated, technologically advanced African nation of Wakanda to take his place as King. His mettle as King is tested when he is drawn into a conflict that puts the entire fate of Wakanda and the world at risk. PG-13 https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/black_panther_2018/



JULY 27 - PADDINGTON 2 7:00 P.M. Discussion to follow

In this lovable sequel to the 2014 family film, Paddington Bear tries to earn enough money to buy an antique book for his aunt's 100th birthday, but his quest brings him into conflict with an unscrupulous actor who also wants the tome. PG https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/paddington_2



AUGUST 3 - THEIR FINEST 7:00 P.M. Discussion to follow

The year is 1940, London. With the nation bowed down by war, the British ministry turns to films to boost morale at home. Carried along by a winning performance from Gemma Arterton, this movie smoothly combines comedy and wartime drama to crowd-pleasing effect. R https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/their_finest_2017

Social Justice News

A Global Call to Action from California! Are you concerned about the changes in our climate and how this affects all people on our globe? **San Francisco Rise March for Climate, Jobs and Justice** is being planned for Sept 8 and will involve a march and art projects during the month of August throughout California. This comes just before the Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco Sept 12-14. Our 350SB.org is helping organize for this event here in the SB area. If you can help with either of these please let Jan Ross (jandjross@cox.net) or Larry Bishop (lbishop1@verizon.net) know and we can make plans together.

Join us at the Live Oak Film Series on Friday, July 20 at 7 to watch "Black Panther" with a short discussion after.

July 22: Social Justice worship service at Live Oak

There will not be a Social Justice meeting in the month of July.

Community Activities



August 25: Pride Festival and Love.Period

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values Action

Confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh's Nomination to the Supreme Court. Let our Senators know how you feel about this nomination. Even if you know how they will vote, they need

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**Happy Birthday to friends and
members celebrating
upcoming birthdays !**

Subhana Bonner 7/9,
Eric Schug 7/14,
Susan Jackson 7/16,
Tom Boehme 7/18,
Gail Boehme 7/21,
Peter Kuhn 7/23,
Jane Gray 7/29,
Sue Smiley 7/29



Social Justice News Continued

to know how many of their constituents feel strongly about this nomination.

IMMIGRATION

- Separating Families and housing families inhumanely! We are still hearing reports of major problems with the way ICE is handling asylum seekers and immigrants. This Inhumane treatment must be stopped! People truly seeking asylum must be helped, as International Law indicates. UUs at General Assembly 2018 voted this one of their Actions of Immediate Witness, which are identified so we can respond quickly to social issues deemed urgent! Please keep your eyes on these actions, respond quickly, and help the agencies who are helping with the legal challenges. We must be aware of what is being done in the name of our country, and let the White House and our Congress people know when we find these actions untenable!

Our Members of Congress

- * Dianne Feinstein- LA office 310-914-7300, Washington office 202-224-3841
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- * Kamala Harris- Sacramento 916-448-2787, Washington 202-224-3553
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- * Salud Carbajal- Congressman-24th district, Washington 202-225-3601, San Luis Obispo office 888-202-8934, Contact through his site

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



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