

The Acorn

July 6, 2018

This Week's Meetings and Events

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00-12:00

&

4th Sunday of
each month

Our half basket collections make a difference in our world.

We received thank you notes from 350.org (gift of \$310.75) and from Santa Barbara City College (gift for the Bucket Brigade of \$484.00).

Both organizations express their gratitude.

-Rev. Tamara



Artist: Erin Hanson

Spiritual Perspectives on Living Through a Disaster

Steve Jacobsen

Steve Jacobsen is a Presbyterian pastor, former Executive Director at Hospice of Santa Barbara, and was the Director at La Casa de Maria during the disaster of December and January which destroyed much of this beloved community.

Sunday July 8

10:00 A.M. Worship

Monday July 9

Live Oak Office Closed

Tuesday July 10

Live Oak Office Closed

6:30 P.M. Worship Ministry

7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)

Wednesday July 11

Live Oak Office Closed

6:30 P.M. Covenant Group

Thursday July 12

No Scheduled Events

Friday July 13

10:30 A.M. Hookers &

Needlers (C)

Saturday July 14

No Scheduled Event

Sunday July 15

10:00 A.M. Worship

11:30 A.M. Getting to

Know UU (C)

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

[http://liveoakgoleta.org/
events-calendar/](http://liveoakgoleta.org/events-calendar/)

Upcoming Sermons

July 15: 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.

July 22: Opening Our Hearts With Social Justice
The Social Justice Ministry invites you to share in some of the stories, challenges, and joys we face as we seek to live out our Unitarian Universalist values.

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:

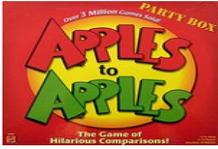
- * 7/2-8: Ken Solter
- * 7/9-15: Jeanne Northsinger
- * 7/16-22: Colleen Poulsen
- * 7/23-8/1: Wilma Seelye

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

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION IN JULY



JULY 8: 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 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, 2018: DANCE PARTY

Requests will be taken and Steven might even teach a popular dance at some point. Send song requests to Steven at dreSteven@liveoakgoleta.org. Mary will be there too and we will party till it's 1999....or around 11:15. We might even do the dance party down in the outdoor space if weather is right.



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 is Krystal McCauley and you can reach her at mccauley-k@ucsb.edu.

"My philosophy is...If you can't have fun, there's no sense in doing it"

-Paul Walker

Joys & Sorrows

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

- * Mo and Paul Maliszewski happily announced that their daughter has completed her 35th radiation treatment.
- * Diane Green from the FUN Team reminded us that there will be Friday night movies through July starting at 7:00 pm.
- * Marie Arnold enjoyed their trip to visit family in Utah as well as several National parks but there is no place like home. Marie has been recognized for her painting and she will represent the Goleta Valley Art Association as the Goleta Library celebrates its opening reception this Sunday.
- * Larry Bishop's joy is the arrival of his 45 wedding anniversary to his wife Kalyani.
- * Bev Troon is delighted to now be at home with the companionship of one of her daughters.
- * Colleen Poulsen is remembering her Mother who would be 97 today and is grateful to her Mother for giving her life and for giving Colleen ten siblings.
- * Colleen Poulsen shared her joy that her proposal for 60-100 Chilean Wine Palms to be planted at Rancho Santa Barbara (a 300-home gated park) was accepted. Chilean Wine Palms are the largest trunked palms in the world, making them huge carbon sinks; they are drought tolerant and perfectly suited to our climate. If anyone is interested in learning more, contact Colleen.

Friday Night Movies



JULY 6TH - THE GREATEST SHOWMAN 7:00 P.M. ** TONIGHT Discussion to follow**

Inspired by the imagination of P.T. Barnum, this is an original musical that celebrates the birth of show business & tells of a visionary who rose from nothing to create a spectacle that became a worldwide sensation.

Fun fact: P.T. Barnum was a Universalist. PG

https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/the_greatest_showman_2017



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

Community Activities



August 25: Pride Festival and Love.Period

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values Action:

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 highlighted and 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!

Use this link to send a message to the White House through our UU Service Committee:
<https://www.uusc.org/end-family-separation/>

Our Members of Congress

- * Dianne Feinstein- LA office 310-914-7300, Washington office 202-224-3841
senator@feinstein.senate.gov.
- * 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,
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**Happy Birthday to friends and
members celebrating
upcoming birthdays !**

Paul Murray 7/1, Jan Ross 7/3,
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



This Sunday!



An early time sensitive offer for our November 10th auction is available for up to two weeks' vacation for a minimum of \$100 a night at a Swiss chalet for two people. Built 1579 in Bürchen Switzerland, the chalet is located between Geneva and Zurich and has all amenities. It is available from now till September 30th. For more information contact Lisl Auf der Heide at lisl.poet@cox.net or 805-683-1775. Bidding will end after our service on July 8th

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

Live Oak Directory

If you have been attending Live Oak, getting involved in the Live Oak community and are ready to be listed in our directory, please let Clacey Kahn, our Administrator, know by email (administrator@liveoakgoleta.org) or by phoning the office (805-967-7867).

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