

The Acorn

August 10, 2018

This Week's Meetings and Events

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00-12:00
&
4th Sunday of
each month

Rev. Tamara will be away for a week from August 13-19.

If you have pastoral needs during this time please contact Clacey, our Administrator, or Wilma Seelye from the Pastoral Care ministry team.



Artist: Julie Marie Dythorn Hansen

A Matter of Kindness

Rev. Lora Young

With so much turmoil in our world it can seem trite to speak of kindness as a hearty value. However, wisdom traditions from around the world speak repeatedly of kindness as a basis for character and community development. Join the Rev. Lora Young (so happy to be returning to LOUUC as a full Rev.!) as she explores the ways in which kindness can be an excellent guide through our complex world.

Sunday August 12

10:00 A.M. Worship

Monday August 13

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday August 14

Live Oak Office Closed

7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)

Wednesday August 15

6:00 P.M. Adama (S)

7:00 P.M. Men's
Connection (C)

Thursday August 16

No Scheduled Events

Friday August 17

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

Saturday August 18

No Scheduled Events

Sunday August 19

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

Upcoming Sermons

August 19: A Spirit of Expectancy Brittany Packnett

We will watch the video of the Ware Lecture from General Assembly. Brittany Packnett is a leader at the intersection of culture and justice. Cited by President Barack Obama as a leader whose “voice is going to be making a difference for years to come,” Brittany serves as Teach For America’s Vice President of National Community Alliances, where she leads partnerships and civil rights work with communities of color. We invite you to stay after the service for a discussion circle.

August 26: Summer Chat with Rev. Tamara Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki with Al Ronyecz A *Summer Chat* with our minister, Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki, is back this year by popular demand. This Sunday worship service will be on August 26 and your questions are welcome!! Once again, questions will be selected and the conversation moderated by Al Ronyecz. **Please submit questions for this service via email to Rev. Tamara (revtamarasuzuki@gmail.com) no later than Sunday, August 19.**

Children’s Religious Exploration-August

AUGUST 12-FIELD TRIP!

A field trip to FAIRVIEW GARDENS, an organic farm just down the road on Fairview, is planned for our Religious Exploration program on Sunday, August 12. The day’s RE teachers will be Rev. Tamara and Carrie Topliffe, and they will help the children explore the wonders of nature and the organization behind the workings of a business. Parents, be prepared to sign a permission slip and make sure your children have appropriate shoes and sun protection for this fun adventure.

AUGUST 19-“THIS IS ME” COLLAGE

Krystal and Steven will help the students create a “self portrait” intact and beautiful. If you march to the beat of your own drum, you will enjoy this and feel honored.

AUGUST 26- BLESSING ROCKS

Melanie and Holly will facilitate this third of three Blessing Rock Sundays to give energy to our outdoor space. Please visit the rock art from the other summer classes sitting on the white fence down at the outdoor space.

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.

Children's Religious Exploration-August Cont.

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 from 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.

"Don't just teach your kids to read, teach them to question what they read. Teach them to question everything." -George Carlin

Joys & Sorrows



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

- * Pat Johnson: Asked for a candle of joy/understanding as she welcomes her brother in law's new girlfriend.
- * Sue Dixon: Shared sorrow that her husband is suffering from dementia, and that she is in the process of locating a caregiver. Also joy that their daughter is enjoying her college years at UCLA.
- * Wilma Seelye: Visited with Bev Troon and shares that Bev would welcome calls or visitors with "open arms".
- * Susan Braden: Joy that her former student, who had been deported from Goleta, called her from Pueblo Mexico this morning. In general he is doing well. Sue requests bilingual material anyone may have to send to him. Sue also requests prayers for her brother who is recovering from double knee replacement and will be returning to school in about a week.
- * Kirsten Otte: Shared that her long time friend has been placed in the care of Maravilla and it has been a difficult time for those involved. She would appreciate kind thoughts.
- * Sheri Scott: Shared her sorrow as her family deals with the illness of their father. Joy that her daughter has been hired by Cottage Hospital as an RN and has been very helpful helping out her grandfather.
- * Barry Osborne: Shared sorrow that his brother lost everything in the Carr fire. He mentioned the house will be rebuilt, however the loss of the contents is especially difficult to deal with.
- * Rev. Tamara: Donna Lester, a longtime Live Oak member, died on July 22. We hold her family in our thoughts and prayers.

Social Justice News



Love.Period, an interfaith celebration of LGBTQ+ people will happen on August 25 at the Pride Festival at Chase Palm Park at 1 pm. Come celebrate with us and stop by the Live Oak table to say hello.

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.

Are you an artist? Submit your art for the March for Climate, Jobs and Justice!
<https://riseforclimateart.tumblr.com/#submit-trigger>

Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco Sept 12-14.

August 22: LO Social Justice Ministry Meeting at 4:30-6:30. Everyone is welcome!

Community Activities

August 13: PFLAG Meeting, 7 pm at First Methodist Church, "Listening to Our LGBTQ+ Youth in 2018."

August 18: Devereux Creek Clean Up, 10am-12pm, meet at the corner of Phelps Rd and Cannon Green Drive, help the Environmental Defense Center, City of Goleta, and SB Urban Creeks Council remove trash from Devereux Creek.

August 23: Women's Equality Day with the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee and Santa Barbara Public Library, 6pm at Faulkner Gallery.

August 25: Pride Festival and Love.Period, Chase Palm Park

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values into Action

Violence Against Women. [Will you become a citizen cosponsor of the 2018 reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act?](#)

Barbara Kuhn reminds us: Here's an easy "To Do" between now and November. Remind your friends, neighbors, family to register to VOTE or to check to make sure they're still registered. Tell the young people in your lives to do the same, and likewise to check with their friends. Do they have proper I.D if they are asked? IN COMMUNITY DEMOCRACY THRIVES! Please Share.

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

IMMIGRATION - Keep the pressure on this administration to treat families humanely!

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

Social Justice News Continued

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, Contact through his site

Annual Congregational Picnic



MARK YOUR CALENDARS - SEPT. 9

Stow Grove Park, Area #1
Sunday, September 9th
After Service at the park

TICKETS - \$10/Adults
\$6/Children



Complete Taco Lunch
catered by Big Joe's Tacos
Tacos: Carne Asada,
Adobada (pulled pork),
Chicken & Chorizo
Grilled vegetables
Rice & Beans



Tickets presold following services through August

Drinks & dessert included

Contact Diane Green, FUUn Team for additional information or tickets

*****Sunday Service will be held at Stow Grove Park at 10:15 with the picnic following!*****

One Good Egg

Friday Oct. 5 and Saturday Oct. 6



Save the date and BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW for this special event sponsored by our Membership Ministry! And don't forget to invite your friends! For audiences 18+.

What do eggs, Wendy's baked potatoes, kale, Mr. T., Crush the turtle, Uma Thurman, infertility, ayahuasca and frozen dog testicles have in common? Come to ONE GOOD EGG, a story of one woman's resilience through the absurdities of loss and the twists and turns of life, and find out!

ONE GOOD EGG is a scavenger hunt through my crazy, beautiful life. Please come join us me for an adult bedtime storytelling hour. Wear your pajamas, loungewear or something comfortable.

For details, to "meet" our talented performer, and to purchase tickets, please visit <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3565434>.

Afternoon Book Group

Monday, September 10th, 2PM in the cottage at Live Oak, we will discuss *I Heard the Owl Call My Name* by Margaret Craven

Guests are welcome.

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

Supporting Our Members

Barbara Hodgdon, Mary Ince, and Carrie Topliffe invite you to stop by the Faulkner Gallery during the month of August to view the Channel City Camera Club Print Exhibition. All three of us have prints on display. The Faulkner is located at 40 E. Anapamu St in Santa Barbara and is open daily during library hours.

Here is a link with details: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/FFWsihBSi7oiaNZ26>

Edison Notice

Edison to Shut Down Power During Extreme
Fire Weather

Edison is hosting a public education workshop this Wednesday, August 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m, at the Earl Warren Showgrounds, where they will describe precautions homeowners can take if they know a blackout is coming — making sure mobile phones and laptops are fully charged, stockpiling water and food that doesn't require refrigeration, and parking their cars outside their garages, since garage-door openers won't work.

<https://www.independent.com/news/2018/aug/09/Edison-to-Shut-down-Power-During-Extreme-Fire-Weat/>

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Amazon Smile

How many of us Live Oakers and friends use Amazon to order items? (That's what I thought!) How would you like for each purchase you make to donate a bit to our beloved community?

I invite you to join my family and me in donating to Live Oak each time you make a purchase. This is a FREE service that has the potential of adding up to a significant amount of income for Live Oak:

- 1) Sign up at smile.amazon.com
- 2) Designate Live Oak Unitarian Universalist Congregation Goleta as your chosen charity
- 3) Use [smile. Amazon](https://smile.amazon.com) each time you shop (not the regular amazon.com portal.) All your information and your chosen charity will be stored and shopping is as simple as going to [smile.amazon](https://smile.amazon.com) each time and watching your donations add up!

Thank you in advance for taking a few minutes to sign up and support Live Oak!!

-Rev. Tamara

Head Start

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 August birthdays !

Lyn Levine 8/1, Jasmine Bailey 8/3, Liz Caccese 8/3, Ken Solter 8/9, Fermina Murray 8/10,
Mary Johnson 8/12, Mary Dochterman 8/15, Holly Cook 8/18, Christina Cabeen 8/20,
Janet Mocker 8/20, Barbara Hodgdon 8/22, Debbie Mackie 8/26,
Alexandra Williams 8/27

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