

The Acorn

August 3, 2018

This Week's Meetings and Events

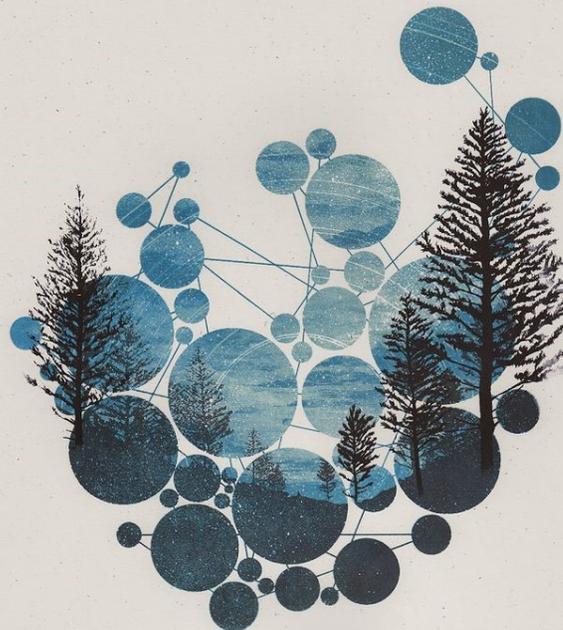
SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

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

TONIGHT!
7:00 P.M.
THEIR FINEST



https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/their_finest_2017



Unity/Diversity

Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki

As Unitarian Universalists we are constantly living the tension between respect and honoring of the individual and diversity, and the knowledge that ultimately, we are connected and one.

Today, as Rev. Tamara returns from sabbatical, let us explore this important topic together.

Sunday August 5

10:00 A.M. Worship

Monday August 6

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday August 7

4:00 P.M. Pastoral Care (C)
7:00 P.M. Covenant Group
Facilitators mtg.
7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)

Wednesday August 8

9:00 A.M. Reserved (C)
6:00 P.M. Adama (S)
7:00 P.M. Covenant Group

Thursday August 9

No Scheduled Events

Friday August 10

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

Saturday August 11

No Scheduled Events

Sunday August 12

10:00 A.M. Worship

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

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Upcoming Sermons

August 12: 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.

August 19: A Spirit of Expectancy

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.**

Half Basket



This Sunday, our half-basket will be donated to Transition House. Transition House is dedicated to the solution of family homelessness in the Santa Barbara area. Motivated families with children are offered life tools and respectful, non-sectarian residential services designed to alleviate poverty and restore self-sufficiency and dignity.

By offering emergency shelter, transitional and permanent housing, homelessness prevention services, and comprehensive programs for children, Transition House is working to end the cycle of poverty and homelessness for Santa Barbara families.

Case managers and a career development specialist work with Transition House parents on improving money management skills, education, employment opportunities, housing searches and relocation plans. Families are given referrals to access additional social services including medical care, clinical counseling, recovery services, quality licensed childcare and public benefits.

Education and enrichment programs are offered for children, and counsellors work with the school district to make sure that school-aged children have tutoring help, supplies and transportation to get to school.

Families that participate fully in Transition House's array of services are able to return successfully to stable, permanent housing.

Live Oak member Larry Bishop organizes a dinner at Transition House every other month with the help of Live Oakers and friends!

Children's Religious Exploration-August

AUGUST 5-JELLY BEAN BRACELETS

Join Jane and Carrie for a lovely, yummy time making Jelly Bean Bracelets. You can make three, one for yourself and two for others. YUM!! Jane will be the RE contact person this day while Steven is on vacation.

AUGUST 12-SURPRISE DAY

Our own Rev. Tamara and Carrie will in RE this Sunday. They are keeping their day's activities a big SURPRISE! So you will have to come that Sunday to find out what they are doing.

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.

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.

26 CHILDREN'S BOOKS ON RACISM

Big thank you to Liz Zok for forwarding this site that has 26 books that open conversations with children around race, racism, and resistance. Check this out, it's never too early to talk about racial equality and racial justice.

"Children must be taught how to think, not what to think." –Margaret Mead

Joys & Sorrows



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

- * James Driscoll wished all a blessed Lughnasadh, a Gaelic festival marking the beginning of the harvest season. He noted that Christians had a related festival called Lammas, a holiday taking place between August 1 and September 1, which marks the annual wheat harvest, and is the first harvest festival of the year.
- * Phil Norvell shared a joy that he is up and walking after a ladder accident, which happened when he thought he was stepping off the first rung of the ladder, but was actually stepping off the second. He warned that this is a common accident, and said the he would be exercising awareness in the future. He fell on his sacrum, fracturing it.
- * Carter and Wendy Morgan shared that Carter's Mother, Marty, would be 95 today; and their nephew and his new wife had a new baby today.
- * Colleen shared her joy with their new puppy, Bobby McGee, a rescue whose luck has just changed for the better; and her joy that her sister Bonnie has completed a course of chemo, surgery and radiation with no sign of the aggressive cancer that she found around the beginning of the year. She asked for prayers for another sister who is having a serious health crisis.

Annual Congregational Picnic



MARK YOUR CALENDARS - SEPT. 9

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

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

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 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 (llbishop1@verizon.net) know and we can make plans together.

Community Activities

August 9: SB Progressive Coalition, 6-7:30 pm, Red Cross, 2707 State St.

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

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

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values into Action

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! 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!

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

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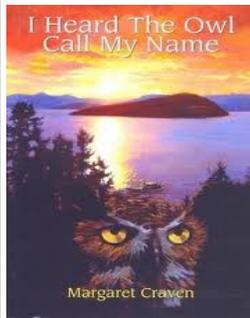
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Social Justice Continued

Our Members of Congress

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

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
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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>

Happy Birthday to friends and members celebrating upcoming birthdays !



Lyn Levine 8/1, 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.