

The Acorn

January 8, 2021



Artist: Jani Freimann

Discovering America Again

Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs

In the fifteenth century Christian Europe asserted the right to conquer and subjugate the non-Christian peoples of Africa and the Americas. The result was enslavement and genocide of many peoples. How do we discover an America of peace and justice?

This Week's Events and Meetings

Sunday January 10

9:00 Religious Exploration
10:00 A.M. Worship Service

Monday January 11

[9:00 A.M. Yoga \(V\)](#)

Tuesday January 12

[9:00 A.M. Yoga \(V\)](#)
2:00 P.M. Good Relations
6:30 P.M. Worship Ministry

Wednesday January 13

[9:00 A.M. Yoga \(V\)](#)
3:00 P.M. Social Justice
5:00 P.M. Mid Week
Meditation

Thursday January 14

10:00 A.M. Worship Service
4:30 P.M. Coordinating Team

Friday January 15

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

Saturday January 16

11:00 A.M. Tech Rehearsal

Sunday January 17

9:00 Religious Exploration
10:00 A.M. Worship Service
11:30 A.M. Town Hall Mtg

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

Worship Service 01.10.21

Discovering America Again

Worship Service presented by Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs

I see a time of Seven Generations when all the colors of mankind will gather under the Sacred Tree of Life and the whole Earth will become one circle again.

- Crazy Horse.

Music for Gathering (*begins at 9:50 a.m.*)

John Douglas, Music Director

Prelude ~ Flute Music

Emiliano Campobello

Welcome Song ~ *Enter, Rejoice and Come In* #361

Words and Music by Louise Ruspini.

Welcome

Jim Wells, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting

By Prague UU Congregation, Words for Global Chalice Lighting

For millennia, the Fire has been in the center of human communities.

Our ancestors used to gather around it.

Today, we are assembling around this flame to renew our community.

May the flame of our Chalice make this community warmer and stronger.

Call to Worship

Opening Song ~ *Evening Breeze* #1072

Live Oak Sunday Worship

Time: January 10, 2021

10:00 AM

Pacific Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/991200709>

Meeting ID: 991 200 709

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Find your local number:

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Worship Service 01.10.21

Message for All Ages

Rev. Clyde

Grubbs

Rabbit Challenges the Wrong Turtle

(based on traditional Cherokee story)

This Little Light of Mine**Joys and Sorrows**

Jim Wells

Meditation

Jim Wells

Congregational Response ~ *Singer of Life* #196**Sermon** *Discovering America Again*

Rev. Clyde Grubbs

Musical Response

Emiliano Campobello

Sharing in Stewardship

Jim Wells

This week's Half Basket goes to the Coastal Band of the Chumash. To donate to the Half

Basket, Live Oak or to submit your pledge online, please click [here](#). You can also mail

a contribution to Live Oak at 820 N. Fairview Ave. Goleta, CA 93117

Closing Song ~ *Mother I Feel You* #1070**Benediction**

Rev. Clyde Grubbs

Postlude ~ Flute Music

Emiliano Campobello

(Five-minute break)

Religious Exploration

THIS WEEK IN RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION: Steven returns this week from holiday vacay, and is hoping each of you had a beautiful holiday break. Special thanks to Melanie, Kevin, Carter and Wendy for “holding down the fort” in his absence. Attendance was very light but RE still represented, so deep gratitude to these committed volunteers.

Please join us this week in Religious Exploration. This will be the first official class of 2021, so let's affirm our New Year together and this time for change. It is our first Sunday of the month to meet and we will work with a lesson from Soul Matters, with the theme of RENEWAL... a great theme to start a new year. This lesson should be good for grades 2nd +.

Live Oak Religious Exploration

**Time: January 10, 2020
9:00 AM**

Join Zoom Meeting
[Click Here](#)

Meeting ID: 995 438 0524

Password: 007564

NOTE CHANGE: MINECRAFT/CHUURHCRAFT- Sunday Jan. 17, 2021

We are starting our Minecraft/ChUurchcraft curriculum next Sunday January 17. I humbly apologize, we DREs that are planning this were all in our holiday hub bub and got our lines crossed on start dates. This is a collaboration with USSB RE and we are using their server, so we will have to wait another week, my apologizes.

Rev. Tamara away and Pastoral Care coverage

Rev. Tamara will be taking a few weeks off after the holidays, both vacation and study leave. If you need pastoral assistance during this time, our Live Oak Pastoral Care team will be available as follows. Of course, you can contact any member of the team for assistance and they can either help you or direct you toward the contact person.

Members of the Pastoral Care Ministry are: Craig Garvin, Priscilla Marchus, Wendy Morgan, Colleen Poulsen, Elaine Sears, Ken Solter, Sylvia Sullivan, and Roberta Weissglass

- 12/28-1/3: Colleen Poulsen
- 1/4-10: Priscilla Marchus
- 1/11-17: Roberta Weissglass

Mid-Week Meditation and Sharing continues!

We will continue to meet virtually for our Mid-Week Meditation and Sharing gatherings. Please join us every Wednesday at 5:00. Link is in the Acorn or on the home-page of the Live Oak website.

Join Zoom Meeting—Meeting ID: 592 669 597

<https://zoom.us/j/592669597>

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Our Live Oak Community Answered the Call!

Abundant gratitude goes out to every community member who answered the call of the Giving Campaign. Your Live Oak Board of Trustees initiated the campaign as a result of our mid-year budget update, which reflects the realities of keeping Live Oak healthy in all ways in the midst of a global pandemic. A special acknowledgement goes out to Peter Haslund, who played a key role in facilitating this important effort – thank you, Peter!

Here's the extraordinary good news: So far 51 individuals and families have donated \$27,975 to ensure our financial health

Thank you, thank you, thank you! Together we will navigate these challenging times.

Food Collection During Sheltering in Place



Thanks so much to those of you who continue to kindly contribute food to the Santa Barbara Food Bank. Your generosity is truly heart-warming! This terrific organization is filling an even larger-than-usual need in our community. We are glad to have Live Oak support their efforts; workers at the Food Bank continue to express their great appreciation for our donations!

Items that are particularly appreciated include: canned goods such as tuna, fruit, beans, and soups; peanut butter; pasta; rice; cereal. We gather items every Tuesday by noon.

As a reminder, you can donate food in one of three ways any day of the week:

- (1) You can drop off donations in the covered boxes that are located at Live Oak on the patio just outside of the cottage;
- (2) You can drop off food in a box we have left outside of our front door at home: 6542 Camino Caseta in Goleta; or
- (3) You can get in touch with us via email (morganfamily1@cox.net) for a pickup at your home. Just leave food donations in a bag (preferably paper) outside of your door.

Thanks so very much for your support of families in our community!
Carter and Wendy Morgan

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**Happy Birthday to friends &
members celebrating
January birthdays !**

Gil Green 1/4,
Pat Johnson 1/6
Colleen Poulsen 1/9
David Echols 1/11
Priscilla Marchus 1/22
John Douglas 1/22

Lura Pearson 1/23
Lisl Auf der Heide 1/30

**Beautiful Photos from
Our Live Oak
Members and Friends!**



Digging garnet yams.

-Harold "Hal" Hill

**Keep them coming! Lets stay
connected!**

**Send your photos to
administrator@liveoakgoleta.org**

Here are the results of my experi-
ment growing garnet yams. You
can see that I can't compete
with the farmers in Merced Coun-
ty near Livingston who grow the
finest Garnet yams in the country.

-Harold "Hal" Hill

Quilted Chalice

wall hanging done by Kristin Ingalls
17.5 x 17.5 \$50 donation to Live Oak

