

The Acorn

GETTING THERE
by Bruce Maples

I sit on the porch
and look at the
mountains,
And realize ...

I long to go over
the next ridge.
To experience
life
In all its wonder
and surprises.

I'd rather drive
than fly,
And I'd rather
walk than drive.
I want to see the
big picture,
The grand
sweep of life on
this earth,
But also the
smallest detail
Of a pebble on
a dusty back-
country road.

Most people I
know
Are intent on
"getting there."
Me, I'm much
more interested
In the "getting"
than in the "there."

October 1, 2021



"Getting There"
Rev. Carolyn Price

Affiliate Minister, UU Church of Tucson

There are places that we intend to go, deeds we aim to do, goals we feel sure we'll accomplish. Sometimes, everything that we hope and plan for comes true. Sometimes it doesn't (witness current events!) Today's sermon explores the human endeavor of "getting there".

**This Week's Events
and Meetings**

Sunday Oct 3
9:00 AM Religious Exploration
10:00AM Worship Service

Monday Oct 4
[9:00 AM Yoga](#)

Tuesday Oct 5
[9:00 AM Yoga](#)
6:00 PM Pastoral Care

Wednesday Oct 6
[9:00 AM Yoga](#)
9:00 AM Acorn deadline
11:00 AM Membership
7:00 PM Covenant Group

Thursday Oct 7
[9:00 AM Yoga](#)
7:00 PM Facilities

Friday Oct 8
[9:00 AM Yoga](#)
10:30 AM Hookers & Needlers

Saturday Oct 9
11:00 AM Tech Rehearsal

Sunday Oct 10
TBD Religious Exploration
10:00 A.M. Worship Service

(ALL MEETINGS ARE VIRTUAL
RIGHT NOW)

[Google Calendar - October
2021](#)

Artist: Unknown

Worship Service 10.03.21

Live Oak Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Goleta

Order of Service

October 3, 2021

Getting There

Rev. Carolyn Price

A/V support: Michael Wittman; Tech support: Paris Psaros

How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because someday in your life you will have been all of these. – George Washington Carver

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

John Douglas, Music Director

Prelude ~ The Water Is Wide
English folk song

Nansie Douglas

Welcome

Jim Wells, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting

Jim Wells

By Maureen Killoran

For every time we make a mistake and we decide to start again:

We light this chalice.

For every time we are lonely and we let someone be our friend:

We light this chalice.

For every time we are disappointed and we choose to hope:

We light this chalice.

Opening Hymn ~ *Come, Come, Whoever You Are* #188

Call to Worship

Rev. Carolyn Price

Message for All Ages

Rev. Carolyn Price and Jim Wells

The Horse (authorship unknown)

Worship Service 10.03.21

Joys and Sorrows

Jim Wells

Sharing in Stewardship

Our half-basket recipient this Sunday is Slingshot Art Studio/Alpha Resource Center

Time of Reflection

In Word

Rev. Carolyn Price

In Song ~ *There is a Love*

In Silence

In Music ~ *Somewhere (from West Side Story)*
Words: Stephen Sondheim; music: Leonard Bernstein

Nansie Douglas

Sermon *Getting There*

Rev. Carolyn Price

Sung Response ~ *Woyaya #1020*

Benediction

Rev. Carolyn Price

Postlude ~ *Together Wherever We Go (from Gypsy)* John & Nansie Douglas
Words: Stephen Sondheim; music: Jule Styne

Five-minute break and then all are invited to re-gather for our social time.

Live Oak Sunday Worship
October 3, 2021 10:00 AM

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

Meeting ID: 991 200 709

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Upcoming Services

October 10 Indigenous People's Day

Recognizing the Struggles of our local Indigenous People
(collaborative service/ see link below)

In honor of Indigenous People's Day, Alan Salazar, a Fernandino tribal elder, will speak to us of the struggles of the Fernandino Tataviam tribe to achieve Federal recognition. Alan will also share a recent children's book he has written called "Tata, The Tataviam Towhee, A Tribal Story". Our Central Coast Cluster of UU congregations is collaborating on this service to learn more about the interconnected Indigenous tribal systems in our area. Join us for this very special service.

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/2921204025>

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Find your local number: <https://uuma.zoom.us/u/acjCZ0np3x>

Social Justice Upcoming Activities 10.03.21

October 2, National March for Reproductive Rights, Meet at De La Guerra Plaza at noon. Sponsored by Women's March of Santa Barbara and Planned Parenthood SB. The US Supreme Court will hear arguments Dec. 1 on a Mississippi abortion case. They will be asked to overturn Roe v. Wade.

Oct 5 at 6pm, Webinar about legislation to pass single payer healthcare (AB 1400) in California. More info: info@medicare4all.org.

October 11, PFLAG SB monthly support virtual meeting for LGBTQ+ people and their families, register for the link <https://pflag.org/chapter/pflag-santa-barbara>

October 24, 28th Bread & Roses Community Celebration in person and Fundraiser for Fund for Santa Barbara (which funds progressive causes in our community, Elings Park, 2-5 pm.
<https://www.fundforsantabarbara.org/events/breadandroses/>

Religious Exploration 10.03.21

THIS WEEK IN RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

I sure hope that you all were able to attend last Sunday's service, it was about as sweet as it gets. In my next life, I want to be a professional "Animal Blessor"

COMING OF AGE

This Sunday, the Coming of Age teens begin their journey with Steven and Jan Ross. We will be talking logistics and Social Justice projects, work with your Mentors and fulfilling your requirements. We will also create a covenant for this year's group. Our class will meet Sunday at 9:00 AM and we will talk about what time you all want to meet for your first curriculum class, which will be in person with Mary and Rachel beginning October 10.

I suggest printing the requirements pages, attached last week, and bring them with the Calendar for Coming of Age.

Parents, please get the Coming of Age registration back to me and thank you (was included again in the letter home this week so look for it).

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

If you have not filled out a registration, our new website will have online registration. The online forms that have been posted expire on Oct. 1, 2021, and by the time you get this Acorn, they will not be able to be opened.

If your teen is doing Coming of Age, we need your Coming of Age application for Candidacy, since we start this Sunday.

Live Oak Religious Exploration

Time: October 3, 2021
9:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/9954380524?pwd=UzZORVVKbnhBamIqT2craHE0Y255UT09>

Meeting ID: 995 438 0524
Password: 007564

RE Outdoor Sanctuary Clean Up

Dear Live Oak... The RE Council has scheduled 2 blocks of time to work on the Outdoor RE space so that we can start Coming of Age, and eventually the rest of RE. We have scheduled **Thur Oct 7 and Sat Oct 9, both from 10:00 AM-3:00PM**. Please contact Steven if you are available to help dresteven@liveoakgoleta.org. You will need to sign a Covid waiver, and we will have them at the meeting. Thank you so much.

Yoga Continues “at” Live Oak!

You have probably noticed that every week in the Acorn calendar there is a link to a yoga class for each weekday. **This online class takes place Monday - Friday from 9:00 -10:00 AM.** Whether you're a seasoned yoga practitioner or an enthusiastic beginner, you are welcome to participate in these classes.

Veteran yoga instructor Kim DiLoreto had been teaching twice-weekly classes in the Live Oak sanctuary until the lockdown happened last year. She is a gifted and caring teacher who can adapt her classes for students of all levels. I have been practicing with Kim in her online class for the past year and a half and have found the experience to nearly match that of an in-person class; it is a special time of movement and meditation and something that I really look forward to each week. All you need is a device that can utilize Zoom (like you do for our Sunday services) and a yoga mat. The cost is a very reasonable \$10 donation which can be paid online through Venmo or mailed as a check. (Kim can explain payment options during your first class.)



Everyone is welcome, and you can encourage local or even out-of-town friends to attend. We hope that you will join us!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carter Morgan at morganfamily1@cox.net.

10.03.21 Half Basket Donation-Sling Shot Art Studio

Please join me as we donate our half basket to Sling Shot Art Studio, a Program of Alpha Resource Center. “Sling Shot is a not-for-profit progressive arts studio that supports the creative practice and professional visibility of artists with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Santa Barbara County.” The artists do painting, drawing, printing, wood sculptures, ceramics and fabric arts and sell their work through gallery shows. Sling Shot has supported our daughter Megan in her art work for many years. They have been very challenged in delivering services during the pandemic.

Sling Shot is an amazing place that fosters the “worth and dignity” of these artists who often get overlooked. Please give generously to help provide this supportive space for our artists.

For more information, check out their website <https://slingshotart.org/>

Food Collection Restarts

Thanks as always to those of you who continue to generously 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, and workers at the Food Bank continue to express their appreciation!

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.

Now that the painting project is completed at Live Oak, you can once again donate food in one of the three regular ways on any day of the week:

- (1) You can drop off donations in boxes that we have put out at Live Oak on the patio just outside of the cottage;
- (2) You can drop off 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 for your support of families in our community!

Carter and Wendy Morgan

From Your Board of Trustees re: GATHERING

Like many of you, we had hoped that the situation regarding our eventual in-person re-gathering for Live Oak Sunday services and meetings would be different at this point.

*However, due to the increase in COVID-19 cases in Santa Barbara County, **all in-person gatherings sanctioned by Live Oak, both indoors and outdoors, are suspended until further notice.** Thank you for your ongoing understanding as we seek to keep our congregation as safe as possible.*

In service,

Megan Moyer (President), Clacey Kahn (VP), Larry Bishop, Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki, Holly Drayton, Mary Johnson, Wendy Morgan, Teka Penteriche

**Live Oak
October
Birthdays**

Phil Norvell
10/7

Kevin Rose
10/9

Rebecca
Cabeen 10/17

Peter Haslund
10/19

Carter Morgan
10/19

Jeanne
Northsinger
10/19

Barry Osborne
10/19

Riley Drayton
10/23

S. Krystal
McCauley
10/23

Liz Zok
10/24

Sue Dixon
10/25

Live Oak Photo Gallery



ABOVE: Pat & Kristin had a beautiful walk and added a few bits of trash to the pile at Ellwood Bluffs on coastal Cleanup Day, Saturday, September 18.



ABOVE: Paul & Janet in Memphis at the National Civil Rights Museum, built around the Lorraine Motel where MLK was assassinated.

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