



# Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula

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## JULY 2018 SERVICES, SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM

More Than a Month of Sundays  
July 2018

### Theme: Liberty

*The dream of liberty is both ancient and new. It was that dreaming that eventually led a man who stuttered, a man named Moses to say to Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" Liberation is the act or fact of achieving civil or equal rights for a particular group and pursuing the social, economic, and political opportunities that result. Securing liberty is the never-ending work to expand and protect freedom.*

#### July 1 Strangers and Lands

Rev. Carolyn Price, Rev. Maddie

Sooner or later it happens to us all. We find ourselves in a new place, and a strange one at that. Unsure of what we have become, and/or what the world around us has become, everything points to the question: *how then shall we live?*

Please join Rev. Carolyn Price, a former settled minister of this church, as she returns to our pulpit, with Rev. Maddie as Worship Associate.

***First Sunday Plate to Boys and Girls Club of Santa Clara Valley***

#### July 8 A Matter of Kindness

Rev. Lora Young, Pat English

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 (formerly Barnett and who is so happy to be returning to UUCSP as a full Rev.!) as she explores the ways in which kindness can be an excellent guide through our complex world.

#### \*Tuesday, July 10 at 7:00 PM Gathering

Kate English

While Rev. Maddie is on study leave, Kate English and Mariana Smith leads our monthly Gathering, a reflective time in our busy week to hear some beautiful music, share some silence and hear spoken word.

#### July 15 With Liberty and Justice for All

Rev. Dr. Betty Stapleford, Allan Noel

"With Liberty and Justice For All": We know those words as part of our United States pledge of allegiance. But what do they mean outside that context? And what could they mean to us as Unitarian Universalists? Let's look a little deeper to see them without their flavor of patriotism. They may just comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.

#### July 22 Coming In On a Wing and a Prayer

Pat English, CJ Starling

Thoughts on prayer and what it is or isn't. Can it be a moment of meditation or a source of direction? Is dreaming a form of prayer? Come let's explore the rich diversity of opinion and belief about prayer.

#### July 29

Allan Noel, LJ Sterling

Our member Allan Noel offers a lay-led service with his fiancée LJ Sterling.

***CASP Offering***

### AUGUST THEME: UNITY/DIVERSITY

#### August 5 Interdependence Training Wheels

Kate English, Pat English

Is interdependence a medicine that can address our personal, political and societal woes? Come explore our seventh principle with Kate English as it relates to the intersections of oppression. Where in your life are you graduating from dependence to independence to interdependence? Is it time to evolve past current systems that limit us?

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## Message from the Minister

Our theme for July is Liberty. Kirk Loadman-Copeland, one of the creators of the Touchstones theme-based system for planning worship and church life says in his introduction to the theme of Liberty, “The words liberty and freedom are almost universally understood as synonyms. Further, the definition of each word includes the other. Yet, there is a significant, but *subtle* difference between the two words.” It is certain that in the month when we mark the Fourth of July, that Liberty is a theme of the month. Speeches will be delivered, fireworks will be shot off—legally and illegally, politicians will trot out “liberty” to back up their particular points of view and some of us reflect on how our families even managed to make it to this land of liberty, just as other families struggle to reach us now. Waves of tourists will make a pilgrimage to the Statue of Liberty in New York City. Cameras and smart phones will capture the image of the lady of liberty from every angle, just as we see images of asylum seekers and would-be immigrants being detained at our borders, and families being broken up, children separated from their parents. As Viktor Frankl once mused, “I recommend that the Statue of Liberty on the East Coast be supplemented by a Statue of Responsibility on the West Coast.” Imagine such statues on the borders in Arizona, Texas and our own state. Would they transform the hounds of hatred abroad in our land?

Several of you spoke to me at church on Father’s Day about what we can do to make our voices heard for Liberty and the sanctity of the parent/child relations in this climate where our government is removing children from the parents at the borders. One thing I think we need to do is strengthen our interfaith connections, so that in coming together as people of faith, our voices have more chance of being heard. On Father’s Day afternoon, I attended an interfaith meeting at the Bethel AME Church in Oxnard and there are more planned to consider the issues of homelessness, religious bigotry, undocumented immigrants and racial hatred, bias and speech. Looking way ahead, we are talking about another Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration in Santa Paula which brings all the community together. Let us look in the days, weeks and months ahead for those partners we can stand with and ways where we can make an impact.

Meanwhile, I leave on July 5<sup>th</sup> for some weeks for freedom—rather, study leave and vacation—when I can restoke my batteries, do some reading and planning for the next church year and stop and smell the roses. I wish for all of you some down time and a chance to change up ways of thinking and being for a little while.

On the path of our faith,  
Rev. Maddie

“The history of liberty is a history of resistance.” *Woodrow Wilson*

# Message from the Board of Trustees

## Is the Church Archive a Blessing and a Curse?

An archive is a collection of historic documents and records. Our church has records going back to the founding of the church in the early 1890s. What a blessing for historians and the curious. You know who else likes our archive? Silverfish and cockroaches. They love to eat old paper. They are a curse that must be dealt with. Other potential curses include, fire, flood, earthquakes, acidity and theft. We have quite a responsibility to protect our past for the future as best we can. Becoming aware of analog data issues can lead to positive actions and protection.

Now that our church has entered its third century we have migrated some of our documents, photographs and records to digital form. We print analog, physical, hard copies of this newsletter and lots of other documents and also send out and save digital copies. All those digital archives are a blessing. The curse is deciding what to do with all that data? The equivalent of a fire is a hard drive failure. The saying goes, "It is not a question of IF the hard drive fails, it's a question of WHEN it fails". Becoming aware of digital data issues can lead to positive actions and protection as we migrate our data further into the future.

Yours, etc.

*John Nichols*



# Message from the RE Coordinator

## Substitute RE Teachers Wanted!!!

The RE Program at UUCSP is looking for substitute teachers to fill in both on a regularly scheduled basis (Erik or Yvette need a day off once in a while), as well as for those occasions when one of the scheduled teachers is sick or out of town.

Please contact Erik at [uucspre@gmail.com](mailto:uucspre@gmail.com), or 805-200-1670, or in-person on a Sunday morning if you are interested in teaching our UU values to the youth in our congregation.

## Family Fun Night

Our first Family Fun Night of 2018 was a hit! We had almost 20 people attend, and everyone had a great time doing crafts, roasting hotdogs, and making s'mores!

As always, this event is a fundraiser for our Camp Wannago via a freewill offering. This pass-through provides assistance for folks to attend Camp DeBenneville Pines, or other UU related denominational events or gatherings.



## Upcoming RE Youth Classes

“Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.”

— Benjamin Franklin

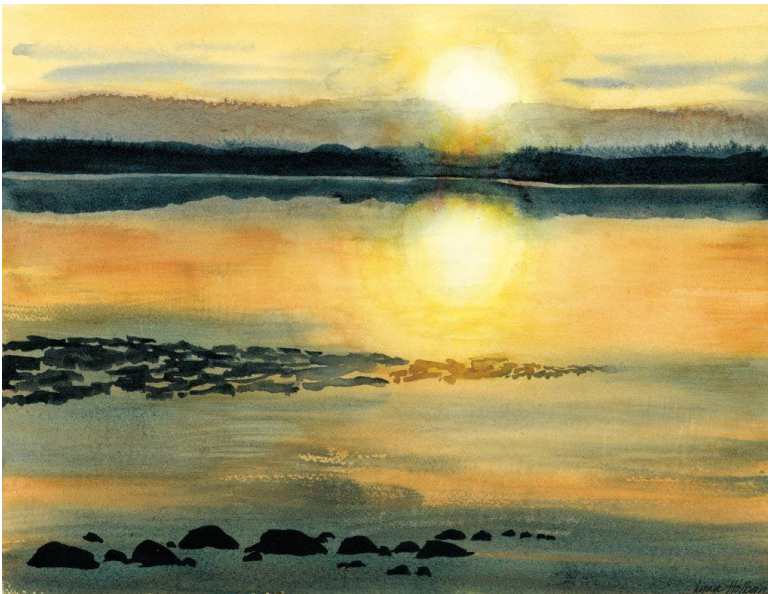
This summer, we will be taking our lessons outside depending on the weather. The theme for the month is Liberty and Freedom, bringing some of the themes being discussed in the Sanctuary into the RE space.

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# SPIRITUAL GROWTH CENTER

In 2016 we gathered some of activities we already do and those we hope to do under the umbrella of the Spiritual Growth Center at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula. It provides opportunities and programs to awaken and sustain love, compassion, service and personal transformation. Our goal is to help individuals discover how spiritual practice, learning, and community service can transform their lives and move the world toward peace and justice. Our programs are guided by the set of Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism and the Six Sources they draw from. One of the Principles affirms our intention to accept one another and encourage each other's spiritual growth. Some of our programs are taking a short hiatus while Rev. Maddie is on Study Leave in July. Ongoing programs will be rejoined by Singing Meditation and others as we go into the fall.

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# GATHERING\*

### \*DEFINITION OF GATHERING

an assembly or meeting, especially a social or festive one or one held for a specific purpose.

**JULY 10, 2018**  
**7:00 PM**

You are invited to our Gathering for sound, silence and word as the sun goes down.

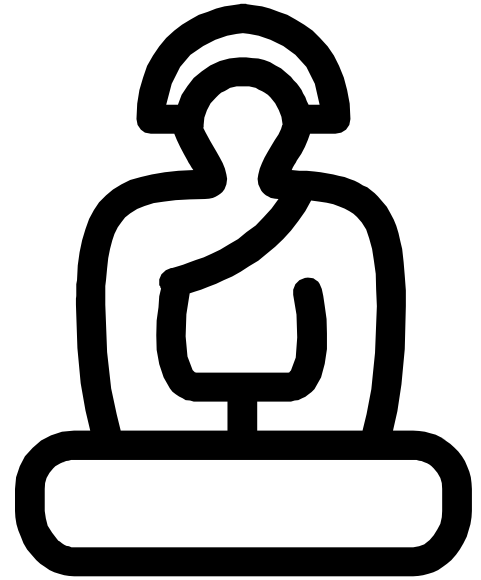
Led by Kate English with Marianna Smith

### Free will offering for the Gathering musicians

# Spiritual Growth Center

## MEDITATION PRACTICE GROUP

Our Meditation Practice Group takes place in our Parish Hall. The group was started by Rev. Maddie when she came over three years ago. Group member Jim Cole has started leading some of the meetings when Rev. Maddie is not available. The group meets on Wednesdays at 6 PM. In July during Rev. Maddie's Study Leave, Jim will lead on July 18 and 25<sup>th</sup>, as well as August 1. Enter through the front gate to the left of the main entrance and come in the side door. Allow about an hour and bring your meditation cushion, if you have one, or you can sit in a chair. The group is open to everyone; there is a free will offering (\$5 suggested but all invited regardless of funds). The meeting will begin with a reading and short discussion, with a guided meditation leading us into a time of silence. There is power in meditating together. We would love to have you join us. For more information, leave a message on Reverend Maddie's private line at the church: 805-525-4620 or email [msifantus@uuma.org](mailto:msifantus@uuma.org). Jim can be reached at 805-607-9890 or email [jcolepsy@charter.net](mailto:jcolepsy@charter.net).



## SOARING HEARTS YOGA



Members and friends of the congregation are invited to attend yoga in our Parish Hall on Tuesday's and Thursday's from 9:30 am – 10:30 am. with Yoga instructor, Lisa Hammond. Class fee is \$6 - \$8 per session. Lisa keeps an email list to which you can be added after attending your first session. She has been leading yoga for us for about two years and several of our members and Rev. Maddie attend. Lisa Hammond can be reached at [soaringheartsyoga@gmail.com](mailto:soaringheartsyoga@gmail.com).

On Friday mornings, we continue to offer T'ai Chi Chih, - Joy thru Movement, with Instructor Pete Gregory. Intermediate class 10:00 – 11:00 am and Beginner session 11:15 am – 12:15 pm. Often called a moving meditation, the movements are accessible to anybody, regardless of age weight or physical ability. Come and learn how to play with the Chi. For more information or to sign up, email Pete at [psgreg24@gmail.com](mailto:psgreg24@gmail.com). Learn more at [www.taichichih.org](http://www.taichichih.org).

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chi  
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Joy thru Movement



## “POWER OF GRATITUDE”

lecture series and guided meditation with  
Gurdeep Singh and Shilpa Pandey.

Monday, July 16 and Monday, August 27  
6.30 to 8 pm

Please invite your family and friends to join us at:  
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# People and Doings

## **3rd QUARTER FIRST SUNDAY PLATE OFFERING**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter First Sunday Offering recipient will be the Boys & Girls Club of Santa Clara Valley, Serving the youth of Santa Paula, Fillmore, and Piru.

The Club's mission is "To enable young people, especially those who need us the most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, caring citizens."

The Club is open each day after school. Who comes from Santa Paula? During the year, 365 families are served; daily, 71-90 children come during school days which increases to 180-200 during the summer. In Fillmore, 488 families are served, with 100-131 daily, and 120-160 in summer. Piru: 98 families, 60-72 daily, 70-80 in summer.

The Club charges \$35 a year and no youth are ever turned away for an inability to pay.

The Club focus on five core areas of youth development: Character and Leadership, Educational and Career, Health and Life Skills, The Arts, Sports, Fitness and Recreation.

Experience at the club is life changing and long lasting. "Kids Are Inspired to Graduate." Education is a priority at the Club. Award winning STEM Programs are offered including STEM Technology, STEM Nutrition and Agriculture, Hands on STEM Science.

Teens at the Club meet twice weekly, are provided dinner, help with homework, skills/resources for higher education, taught financial literacy, and have the opportunity to go on field trips and college visits.

Could this Club do more for our children? Please contribute to the Boys and Girls Club of the Santa Clara Valley. Our contributions could hardly be better spent.

## **LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

The Last Sunday of each month we collect canned goods, rice and beans and other non-perishable food for CASP: Community Assistance Santa Paula. CASP, a non-profit organization, provides a Food Pantry to serve the disadvantaged of Santa Paula. Being a community charity, CASP's Food Pantry program is largely dependent on the generosity of its citizens.

## **NEWS FROM AMONG US July 2018**

- We received a postcard from our friend Janice Kreider saying "Buenos Dias" from Barcelona where she and her husband were celebrating their daughter's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. They also traveled in Portugal. They are now back in Seattle.
- Congratulations to our friend LJ Sterling who was named Director of the Elite Theater in Oxnard.
- Mary Nelson suffered from a fall in late May. After a stint in Intensive Care, she is in rehab at the Victoria Care Center in Ventura.
- Please let our administrator Krystal Johnson or Rev. Maddie know if you want to be added to our Birthday List Now that we are having Zodiac Zundays once month at coffee hour, it is one more reason to join the fun.

If you have any News from Among Us you would like to share with our community, please let Rev. Maddie know by the newsletter deadline which is the 21<sup>st</sup> of every month.

## **OFFICE HOURS AND PASTORAL COVERAGE**

Rev. Maddie is usually available in the office by appointment or pot luck drop in from Tuesday through Friday. She will be leaving for Study Leave after the work day on Thursday, July 5 for the month of July. She will be out of town on vacation for part of that time. Our Coordinator of Religious Education will be covering from July 5-9. After that time, Rev. Dr. Betty Stapleford will provide coverage. Should an emergency arise the process is to leave a message on the church office phone, 805-525-4647, and Krystal will contact Erik or Betty. You can also let congregation president John Nichols know, if it is a day when Krystal is not working.

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## SAVE YOUR WATER!

As is our tradition, we will be kicking off the Fall with a Water Communion on Sunday, September 9 led by Rev. Maddie in a multigenerational service and songs by our Choir. We ask that you bring a small amount of water from whatever source is meaningful to you, either from the environs of Santa Paula or from your summer travels. The combined water from our shared sources will be used in part to water some of our thirsty plants here on the Church grounds and sterilized for use in any future Baby Dedications.

## REFLECTIONS

Please join Rev. Maddie after Coffee Hour in her office on Sunday, July 1 if you want to continue the discussion begun June 24th, to share concerns, ideas and information about the current situation of children being separated from their families and related issues. All invited.

## CRUISE NIGHT

The next Santa Paula Cruise Night of 2018 is Friday, July 6. Ken Stock will be hosting, offering tours of our Historic Church, including ringing the bell. We have a table under a pop up tent in front of the church, greeting passersby, talking about our congregation and its programs and having literature available. We are usually there from about 5 PM until sundown. Cruise Night is held on the first Friday of each month from April through October. We are now being joined by Family Fun Night, sponsored and run by Erik Halseth and our Religious Education Committee and benefiting our new UUCSP Scholarship Fund which will help send folks to Camp DeBenneville and other UU events. Come say hello to Ken and stay for fun for *all ages*.



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**“Zodiac Zunday”** Once a month during coffee hour we will be honoring those who celebrate the astrological sign of that month. As we know, astrology is a pseudo-science often linked to superstition. We are hoping for this to be a fun time to connect with others while enjoying some delicious food.

## **“ZODIAC ZUNDAY**

On July 15 we will be honoring **Cancer** (June 21 - July 22)

### Sign Characteristics:

Deeply intuitive and sentimental, Cancer can be one of the most challenging zodiac signs to get to know. They are very emotional and sensitive, and care deeply about matters of the family and their home. Cancer is sympathetic and attached to people they keep close. Those born with their Sun in Cancer are very loyal and able to empathize with other people's pain and suffering.



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## **THE SOCIAL CONCERNS ACTION COMMITTEE NEWS AND EVENTS**

**MEETING** The Social Concerns Action Committee will meet Wednesday eve, July 11, 6:30 pm. All welcome.

**DINNER AND A MOVIE** – Tuesday, July 24, 2018 Dinner: 5:30 Documentary: 6:30

***Walking the Camino: Six Ways to Santiago***, a documentary sponsored by the Social Concerns Action Committee, is the story of present-day pilgrims with their differing goals. While carrying their belongings on their backs, they trek the well-worn ancient road on foot across the entire country of Spain. Their ages range from three to 73. Jim Cole, the after-the-film-discussion-facilitator, is considering making this journey with his wife and would like to share their interest with us.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The small group, sponsored by the Social Concerns Action Committee, Expand-Your-Mind, will meet Sunday, August 12 @ 2:00 P.M. to discuss the book ***Souls in the Hands of a Tender God: Stories of the Search for Home and Healing on the Streets***, by Craig Rennebohm. Mr. Rennebohm tells his experiences beginning in 1987 ministering to people who are homeless and struggling with mental illness. There will be limited copies at the church for sale. RSVP Margaret Wilson for meeting place and more information.

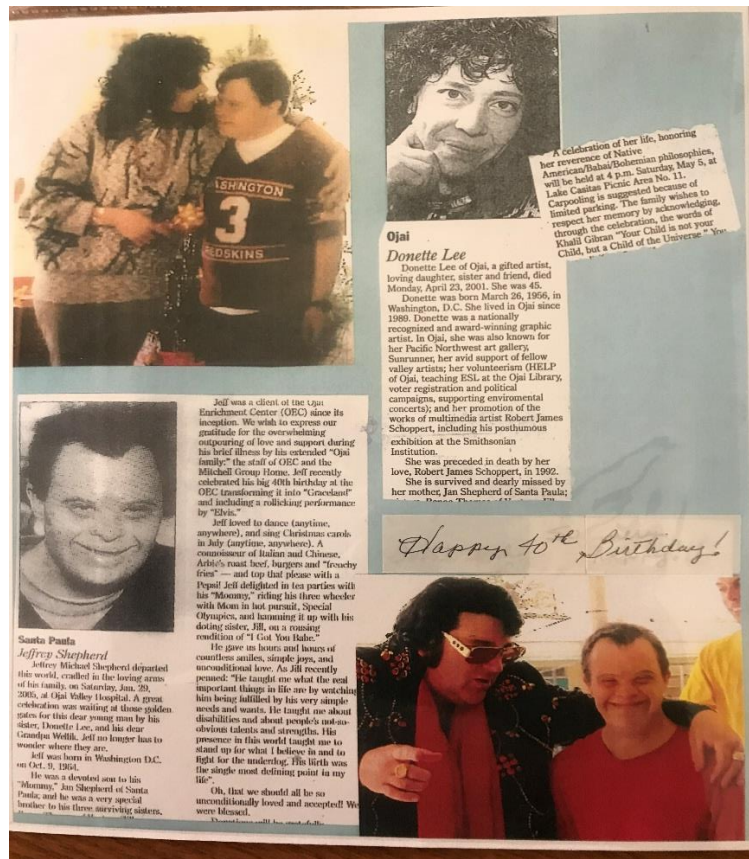
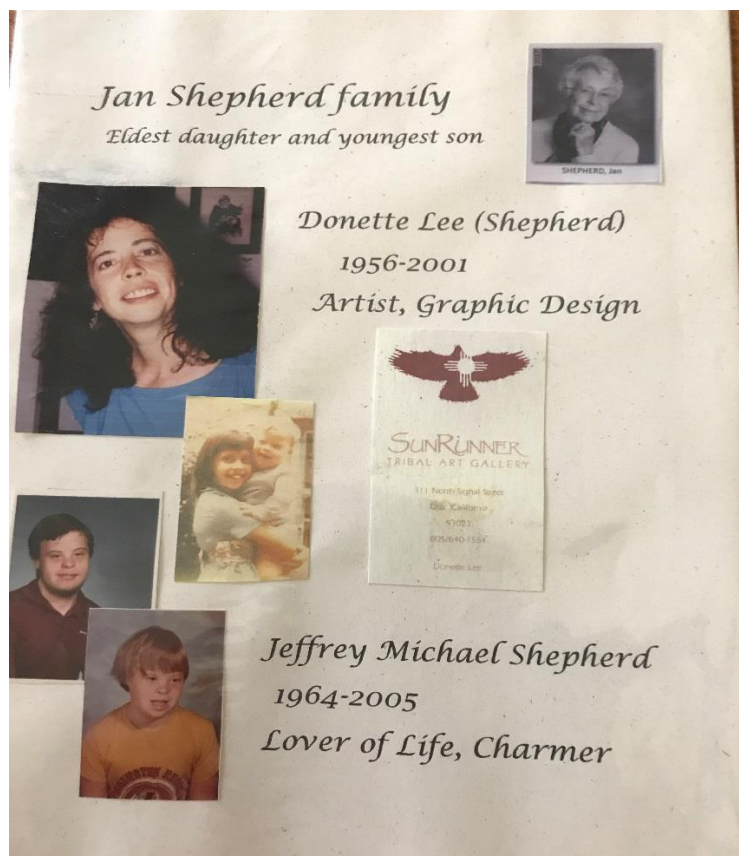
## **THE MARY A. LIVERMORE SOCIETY**

The Mary A. Livermore Society will meet SATURDAY, July 28, 11:30 at Flight 126 at the airport. This is our 3rd quarterly meeting this year which gives those who cannot make our usual Thursday meetings the opportunity to attend. Jyl Atmore will share her life story.

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## CARING COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee has been involved this year in Lay Ministry Training at their monthly meetings to better serve our members and supplement the ministry of Rev. Maddie, our professional pastoral care provider. This training facilitated by Rev. Maddie takes place at the regular monthly meetings of the committee. They are now on meeting hiatus until September 20<sup>th</sup>. Let Rev. Maddie know if you are interested in joining with the Caring Committee members Barbara Beach, Karen Harris, Penny McManus, Delicia Niami, Sharon Kufeldt, and Jan Shepherd in the fall. The Caring Committee is responsible for overseeing the Memorial Rose Garden and its binder and is kicking off a new project of a UUCSP Memory Book with pages to remember those we have lost. Everyone who wishes can create a page for our book which will be kept in the Parish Hall in memory of a family member or congregation friend. Pages with sleeves are available along with an example that Jan Shepherd made on the table in the Parish Hall. Completed pages should be put in Rev. Maddie's mailbox next to her office. See Rev. Maddie or a Caring Committee member for more information.



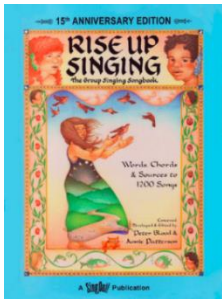
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## CHOIR

The Choir is on hiatus until the fall. Then we will return to singing once a month. All are welcome to join our choir, including our young singers who are able to read music. Rehearsals will be directed by Rev. Maddie and accompanied by Vincent Sorisio. All choir rehearsals will cover the music for that Sunday and will include learning music for future monthly Sunday mornings. The Chalice Children will also be singing in the fall. Please be in touch with Rev. Maddie with any questions. All invited to sing!

Thursday, September 6	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, September 9	9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal for 10:30 AM service
	Down in the River to Pray	arr. Shelden Curry
	Peace Like a River	

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## RISE UP SINGING!

There is nothing like voices combining in song. So many people interact with the world now through some kind of keyboard and screen. As Billy Bragg wrote in the Forward to the newer book *Rise Again*, “If Woody were here, he’d wryly point out that you can experience a download, but you can’t download an experience.” Our Rise Up Singing group is named from the title of the book *Rise Up Singing*. We are taking a break for June and July and will be back on the third Friday on August 17 at 7 PM in the Parish Hall. Instruments and all ages invited. Bring your *Rise Up Singing* book if you have it or a song you want to bring to the group. Regular size copies of *Rise Up Singing* will be available to buy for \$15 or borrow. The large size version is available for \$20.

Yours in song, Rev. Maddie and Donna Nelson

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## MARY A. LIVERMORE LECTURE

(From the Friday March 12, 1889 Santa Paula Chronicle)

Cleveland Hall, on Monday evening last was filled to the door with an intelligent, attentive audience, to listen to one of the finest intellectual treats ever presented to the people of this valley, namely the lecture of Mrs. Mary A Livermore. After a selection by the double quartet, and brief introduction. Mrs. Livermore in her fine clear voice held the closest attention of her audience for an hour and forty minutes, from the opening to the closing sentence. The speaker began with an account of the human race in the ages before there was any recorded account down to the Egyptians, who were probably the first nation who knew enough to keep a record of their daily lives. She gave a graphic picture of life in that old time and traced the history of the human family down to the present, its barbarism, coarse brutality, its struggles upward to higher and better morals and manners. Mankind has five senses and scientists are coming to realise and acknowledge a sixth rudimentary sense, that may explain physiological phenomena now misunderstood.....

**NOTE:** The rest of her lecture has been duplicated and is available at the church hall Information Table. Now we can understand more fully why the UU Ladies Aid Society transcripts noted that Mary A. Livermore met with their president on February 13, 1889 and subsequently the name of their Society was changed to the Mary A. Livermore Society. This newspaper item further testifies to her integrity and fame by being a part of the Lecture Circuits of that era, which were greatly enabled by the expansion of the railroad system.

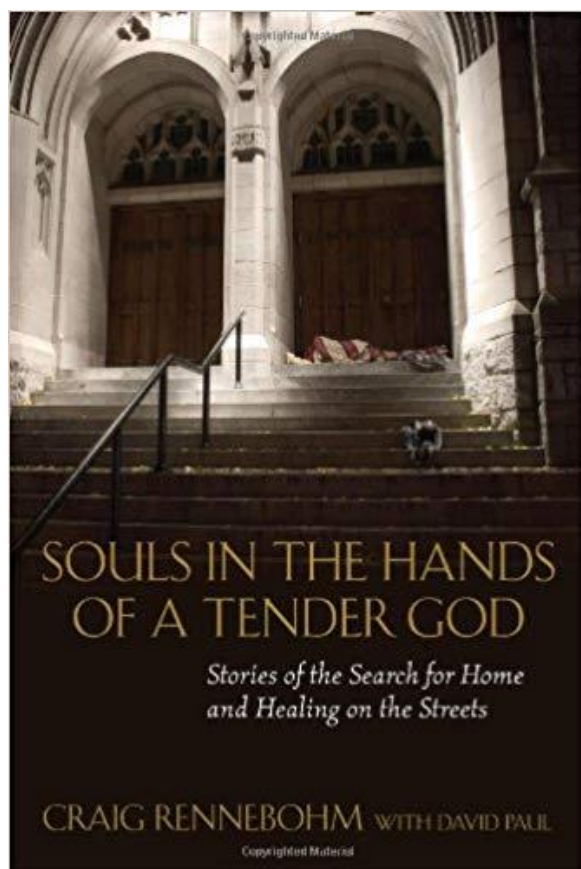
Our gratitude to John Nichols for his discovery of this Lecture. Jan Shepherd

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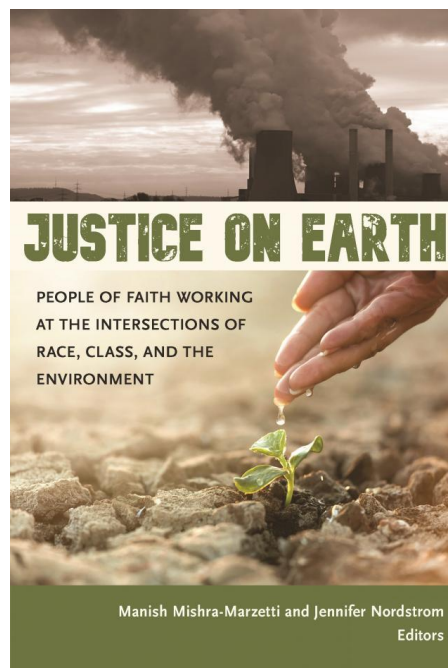


# SUMMER READING 2018

Many of us like to take a pile of books on vacation, to the beach or hammock or just to the easy chair in the summer. You are encouraged to look ahead to the next meeting of our Expand Our Mind group which will be gathering in August to discuss an outstanding book on homelessness and mental illness, *Souls in the Hands of an Angry God: Stories of the Search for Home and Healing on the Streets* by Craig Rennebohm.



Later in the 2018-2019 church year, we will be reading the UUA's Common Read Selection: *Justice on Earth: People of Faith Working at the Intersections of Race, Class, and Environment*, edited by Manish Mishra-Marzetti and Jennifer Nordstrom (Skinner House Books, 2018).



At a time when racial justice, environmental justice, and economic justice are seen as issues competing for time, attention, and resources, *Justice on Earth* explores the ways in which the three are intertwined. Those on the margins are invariably those most affected by climate disaster and environmental toxins. The book asks us to recognize that our faith calls us to long-haul work for justice for our human kin, for the Earth and for all life. It invites us to look at our current challenges through a variety of different perspectives, offers tools to equip us for sustained engagement, and proposes multiple pathways for follow-up action.

Books are available from the UUA's In Spirit Bookstore or ordered from your favorite bookseller.

# People and Doings

## PROJECT PRIDE SANTA PAULA

**AN LGBTQ+ ACTIVITIES BASED SUPPORT GROUP (13-19 years old)**

**ALL SEXUAL ORIENTATIONS, GENDER IDENTITIES & EXPRESSION WELCOME**

**UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH basement**

**740 EAST MAIN STREET, SANTA PAULA**

**FRIDAYS 5:30 PM - 7 PM**



Made possible through the California Mental Health Services Act and Ventura County Behavioral Health.

### PROJECT PRIDE SANTA PAULA

Every Friday from 5:30pm -7pm in the church basement starting on May 11th.: Project Pride is an activities-based support group for LGBTQ+ teens age 13-19 and their allies/accomplices. All are welcome. The program will be coordinated by teen program One Step A La Vez with additional facilitation support from UU Church of Santa Paula, the Coalition for Family Harmony and others. If you are interested in more information or in volunteering, please contact Kate English at 805-207-5013.

Spirit Rest Retreat, August 12-16, 2018

Sunday dinner through Thursday lunch

Leaders include Rev. Arvid Straube and Rev. Sharon Wylie

Silent meditation Retreat

Mary & Joseph Retreat Center

[5300 Crest Road, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275](http://www.spiritrestretreat.com/)

Your registration fees include all meals. The retreat center accommodates the following diets: Omnivore, Vegetarian and Vegan

More information: <http://www.spiritrestretreat.com/>

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## Cluster Retreat at Camp de Benneville Pines

**Friday, September 28 - Sunday, September 30, 2018**

*A fall retreat to Camp De Benneville Pines will be held during the weekend of September 28 – Sunday, September 30, 2018.*

We are invited to join Rev. Nica Eaton Guinn of the Conejo Valley congregation and others at our beautiful UU Camp in the mountains! Camp de Benneville Pines is an ideal place for members and friends to spend quality time together and strengthen their bonds with one another. It's also a wonderful chance to get to know new people. In the midst of the natural beauty of the wilderness there will be hiking, kayaking, swimming, archery, talent shows and more. The Camp is a place where children can run free in a safe environment and learn about the deep connection that exists between humanity and the natural world. This is a fantastic chance to relax and make new friends. The retreat will include mainly two congregations, Conejo Valley, and Monte Vista, but Live Oak, Santa Barbara, Santa Paula and Ventura are welcome. This will be a wonderful chance to meet and make new friends. The retreat includes meals from Friday evening to Sunday morning, lodging in a heated cabin with indoor plumbing, use of the grounds and common rooms, use of the hot tub (possibly the pool), indoor and outdoor activities provided by fellow congregants and the camp staff, and Sunday Service under the towering Pines. Ask anyone who has visited our UU-owned campgrounds and conference center at Camp de Benneville Pines - it's a peaceful, fun, and renewing environment for singles, couples and families. Mark your calendars now! Registration forms are available, and space is limited. Please let Rev. Maddie know if you are interested in attending. Perhaps we can get a group together! For more information and to register, email Kathleen Holland at [shockwavephysics@gmail.com](mailto:shockwavephysics@gmail.com).

### UU Retreat at Camp deBenneville Pines

[www.uucamp.org](http://www.uucamp.org)

**Friday, September 28 – Sunday, September 30, 2018**

Are your summer plans under way?

Wait... Save time and space for Camping in September.

Here's a taste of some things you might experience:

Reflection - Nature - Relaxation - Spiritual Practice - New Friends - Old Friends - Fun Kids - Seniors - Parents - Good Food - Seminars - Arts and Crafts - Frisbee Golf - Talent Show - White Elephant Bingo - Games - Puzzles - Music - Singing - Dancing - Meditation - Yoga - Nature Hiking - Worship - Brunch - Smiles - Play - Ping-Pong - Swimming - Massage - Walk to the Lake - Knitting - Geology Hike - Walk the Labyrinth - Volleyball - Basketball - Snacks - Happy Hour - More!

Mingle with UU's from CVUUF, MVUUC, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Live Oak, and Santa Paula

Registration includes meals Friday (buffet) through a Sunday morning breakfast. For an extra fee (\$20) campers may be welcome (TBD) to come up on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

For more information and a registration form, go to:

<https://cvuuf.org/events/fall-camp-debenneville-retreat-2018/>

or contact one of the following people:

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Ventura			
Santa Paula			

Do you have a passion, a talent to share, a craft, a song, a sport or spiritual practice... let us know, we'll provide the time and space to make the sharing happen!

"The Mountains are Calling - And I Must Go!" - John Muir

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Registration forms on the Parish Hall table.

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Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula  
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# Calendar of Events

*July* 

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 1030amWorship 1stSunday Plate Reflections 12:15	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 930 Yoga	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 930 Yoga	<b>6</b> 10am& 11:15am T'aiChiChih  5pmCruise Night 6:30pmFamily Fun Night  530pmProject Pride SP	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 1030amWorship	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 930 Yoga 7PM Gathering	<b>11</b>  630pmSocial ConcernsMtg	<b>12</b> 930 Yoga	<b>13</b> 10am& 11:15am T'aiChiChih  530pmProject Pride SP  7pmClassic Movie	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 1030amWorship ZodiacZunday	<b>16</b> 6:30PM OMG to OM: Meditation &Lecture	<b>17</b> 930 Yoga	<b>18</b>  6pm Meditation	<b>19</b>  930 Yoga  6:30pm BoardMtg	<b>20</b> 10am& 11:15am T'aiChiChih  530pmProject PrideSP	<b>21</b> <b>NEWSLETTER  DEADLINE</b>
<b>22</b>  1030amWorship	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 930 Yoga SCAC Dinner& aMovie 530&630	<b>25</b>  6pm Meditation	<b>26</b> 930 Yoga	<b>27</b> 10am& 11:15am T'aiChiChih  530pmProject PrideSP	<b>28</b> 1130am MaryA's Flight126Cafe
<b>29</b> 1030amWorship CASP	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 930 Yoga				

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Sunday Worship Services at 10:30 am

Rev. Maddie Sifantus, Minister, Choir Director

Rev. Dr. Betty Stapleford, Affiliate Minister

Erik Halseth, Religious Education Coordinator

Krystal Johnson, Office Administrator

Vincent Sorisio, Church Musician

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