

U2C2 Connection

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A Month of Sundays

Sunday Services [9:30 & 11:00 AM services are held every Sunday unless otherwise noted]

9:30 AM Contemplative Services [every Sunday]

Join us for a quiet time of reflection as we seek to reconnect to ourselves and the Eternal through readings, silence, music and images.

11:00 AM Traditional Services

Sunday, May 3: "Talking About God in Seminary" - Worship Leader: Lucy Bunch

What is the UU theology about God? We range from Atheist to Theist and all fractions in between. First year seminary student, Lucy Bunch, will share with you some questions posed by the instructor of her UU Theologies class and the answers she gave.

Sunday, May 10: "Mothers and Other Spiritual Guides" - Worship Leader: Rev. Martha Hodges

What spiritual or ethical values did you learn from your parents or parent-figures? How do you feel about those values today? Celebrate Mother's Day with us in this multigenerational appreciation of mothers, motherhood and spiritual mentors, male or female.

Sunday, May 17: "Seeking Grace" - Worship Leader: Rev. Martha Hodges

Grace is usually defined by the Christian tradition as God's gift of salvation, the unearned gift of forgiveness for our sins. Must those of us who don't believe there is a personal God who watches over us reject the concept of grace? Rev. Martha will introduce a series of sermons on "grace" by reflecting on the meaning of grace and some of its many manifestations in our lives.

Sunday, May 24: "Three Sermons That Shaped Our Faith: Parker's The Transient and Permanent in Christianity" - Worship Leader: Rev. Martha Hodges

Rev. Martha will conclude her series on three sermons that are considered turning points in Unitarian history. She will introduce us to Theodore Parker and consider what was so revolutionary about this 1841 sermon and what, if anything, it means to us today. On this Memorial Day weekend, Martha will also lead a ritual of remembrance for loved ones we have lost.

Sunday, May 31: "How's Your Prayer Life?" - Worship Leader: Rev. Jackie Kelly

As a hospital chaplain and CPE supervisor, Jackie Kelly often encounters people for whom prayer is an absolutely crucial part of their life. This has caused her to consider the need for prayer in her own life. Join Jackie as we wonder together about the meaning and significance of prayer for Unitarian Universalists.

Transcripts of UUCC sermons are available on our website at www.u2c2.org. Click on "Services" and then "Sunday Sermons."

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Monthly Planner

May 2009

If you have a meeting or event this month and don't see it listed, please contact the office at 689-2008 or office@u2c2.org.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 District Assembly offsite	2 District Assembly offsite
3 District Assembly offsite Sunday Services 9:30 & 11:00am	4	5	6	7 Daytimers 10am at church	8 Theatre Group 7pm	9
10 Mother's Day Sunday Services 9:30 & 11:00am Kid's Book Club 12:30-1:30pm Women's Group 2:30pm	11 Membership Committee Mtg 7-9pm	12 Italian Dinner offsite	13	14 Daytimers 10am at church	15 Newsletter Deadline	16 Sat Supper offsite Men's Group 9am
17 Sunday Services 9:30 & 11:00am	18	19 Finance Mtg 7pm	20	21 Daytimers 10am at church Board Mtg 7:15pm	22	23
24 Sunday Services 9:30 & 11:00am	25	26 Women's Group 7:00pm	27	28 Daytimers 10am at church Church Ops Mtg 7pm at church	29	30 SCNA Yard Sale offsite UUCS Orientation 10am-1pm
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Worship Support Schedule

	Altar	Greeter	Lighter	Usher
5/3	Gene Anderson	Jane Thompson	Jacob N.	Jim Eastman
5/10	Jerry Melnick	Stephan Lange	Cheyenne B.	Bev Boido
5/17	Judi Schafer	Rose Kohn	Blake L.	Tonie Darling
5/24	Edie O'Laughlin	Dick Tarble	James E.	Tom Rintoul
5/31	Celia Buckley	Rose Nelsenador	Ben C.M.	Terry Chekon



Ministers and congregations talk a lot about “shared ministry” and, as you know, we’re talking about organizing our church’s programs and infrastructure into four ministries. But what does it mean to have a “ministry?”

I think of ministry as the way we are drawn to serve life itself – to enhance and encourage it. This may take the form of serving a cause, an organization, an idea, the Divine, or a person or persons. The theologian, Frederic Buechner, put it this way: “The vocation for you is the one in which your deep gladness and the world’s deep need meet.”

At the PCD workshop I recently attended on small congregations, we were given an exercise to help us define our “personal ministries” which I will now share with you.

First, list ten of your gifts that express the essence of who you are – things like a sense of humor, or patience. Choose the two talents you’re happiest about.

Second, list ten things you’re really good at. Listening? Organizing the disorganized? Again, choose the two talents of which you’re the most proud.

Next, write a one-sentence description of your perfect world. Then, combine all three responses into a statement of your personal ministry: your talents (nouns), what you do best (verbs) and your vision of what the world needs.

Then take a look at the resulting statement and ask how you are living it out in your personal or professional life, or in your work at UUCC. What changes or actions might you need to make to bring your ministry to life? How can you better share your ministry with the world?

Want an example? This is what I came up with for myself: The two talents I chose were empathy and analytical intelligence; the two activities I chose were designing worship services and facilitating groups. I described my “perfect world” as one in which the inherent worth of every person and every creature is honored. Thus, the statement of my ministry turned out to be, “To use my empathy and intelligence to facilitate relationships and spiritual growth in this congregation in order to help build a world in which all honor the inherent worth of all living things.”

Try it for yourself. If the resulting statement doesn’t feel right to you, pay attention to that. Is it because the talents and skills you possess don’t match those you’d like to have? Maybe the “perfect world” you describe is one you think you ought to desire but isn’t the vision that really moves you. Once you’ve got a statement that feels right to you, give some more thought to how your ministry might inspire and direct you into a more spiritually satisfying life. And remember – this is a description of your mission. It’s not unchanging, and it’s not something you can realize immediately. Your understanding of your ministry is a living thing, subject to amendment, and is meant to draw you into joyful and fulfilling action; it’s not an instrument to be used to beat yourself up with.

And then, try thinking about this: How could this exercise be applied to UUCC? What are our greatest gifts as a congregation, and what do we do best? And how might we use these gifts and skills to create a more perfect world? This is our guiding mission.

I invite you to send me the resulting mission statement – the definition of UUCC’s shared ministry. I would love to publish the results (anonymously or otherwise) in a future issue of this newsletter. I’m eager to hear your thoughts!

Vacation Plans -- Rev. Martha will be on vacation/study leave from May 23 through June 7 but will be available for emergencies. Call her at home if you need her, or try her cell phone.

President's Message

An Important Recap

[The following is a condensed excerpt from a recent presentation entitled, "A Year in Review and a Year in the Future, Challenges & Opportunities" by UUCU President, Marion Randall.]

I wanted to spend a few minutes sharing my thoughts about our accomplishments and the challenges and opportunities that await us. I thought it important to look back over this last year, taking time to appreciate the results of the investment of our time, talent and treasure in our church.

My own biased assessment of this congregation is that we are a vibrant, healthy, hearty group of people who are all working to live by our principles and purposes, want to do good by each other, the strangers we have not met yet and the world. We are a group that since its inception have been risk takers, demonstrated great resilience and had big dreams.

I would say that generally there is a sense amongst the congregation that things are going pretty well and it feels like we are making progress in program and growth. Let me share with you some of the data that clearly indicates that we are beginning to achieve some of our goals related to program enhancement and overall membership growth.

Program info - What's happened on the program front?

- We added a second service that is meeting the worship needs of a small but loyal group that is currently growing in size. This service is also allowing lay worship leaders to exercise their creativity in new ways.
- Our response to the "No on Prop 8" challenge that, while ultimately unsuccessful, involved a very large percentage of the congregation as volunteers. This effort reinforced our commitment to this particular justice issue and showed just what we can do as a group when inspired to unite behind a cause we care about deeply.
- While not new this year, it is none the less true that our pianist, Loren, has added immeasurably to the pleasure and meaning that people draw from our 11:00 service and is mentioned repeatedly by our members as one reason they continue to value our shared worship.
- We continue to put our principles into action by sharing a portion of our Sunday collections with local organizations that serve our community. This practice is noticed by newcomers to our church.
- The Daytimers attendance is thriving, as are other small groups: Men's Group, (and now Women's), Saturday Suppers, Theater Group, etc.
- We provide a spiritual home to six seminarians who will go on to serve the Unitarian Universalist movement.

Program info related more specifically to Religious Education (RE)

- In 2008, we expanded the RE classrooms from one to three in order to accommodate rapid growth within RE. All children started in one classroom and we now have a Pre-Kindergarten, Little's and Middle's classrooms.
- RE wrote and implemented a yearlong Hogwarts School of UU Magic curriculum for the children that started September 2008 and will end June 2009. This consists of 6 different classes that rotate. The classes are Divination (Social Justice), Herbology, Defense Against Dark Arts (anti bullying curriculum), Care of Magical Creatures, Potions (science experiments), and UU History.
- RE recruited 12 teachers for the Hogwarts program.
- In June 2008, RE produced a news story that gave a summary of what the children learned that year. RE also hosted a Palestinian dinner and showed the video to the congregation to summarize what the children learned.
- In October 2008, the RE hosted a full costume party.
- In November, RE hosted a hunger banquet during the Thanksgiving holiday to highlight the fact that hunger is still an issue in the world.
- RE produced a three act Holiday Pageant that included all of the RE children.
- RE started a small group ministry for parents with children from 0-5 called the Wee UU's which meets once a month for a 3 hour potluck playdate at a member's home.
- RE also offered the OWL curriculum.

Statistical indicators - What do the hard facts tell us?

Thanks to the great work of Laura Osborne, we no longer need to rely on our perceptions about what we "think" is happening. We now have factual information in the form of statistics. So, what do these facts tell us?

Information related to membership growth

- Our membership increased by 20% from 82 members to 98 members, resulting in a 10% increase in pledging units from 58-63. This is the largest growth rate in the history of this church and the first time we have ever met any of the planning assumptions.
- The UUA tells us that it is typical to expect a 10% turnover in membership. Our turnover rate is about 4.9%.
- Our visitor return rate is 50% and the UUA considers 40% to be good.

Information related to growth in RE

In Jan 2008, RE had 10 kids total attending regularly. We now have 21 attending regularly. This reflects only members, not visitors, and is a significant increase in growth.

I don't know about you but taking stock of this year's information really reinforces my perception that we are doing well, and for the first time, making the kind of progress we have so long desired and envisioned. I am personally pleased and proud.

The other aspect of my message has to do with challenges and opportunities. We are facing a sizable challenge related to the cost of renting this building. This is not a new and unknown challenge. In fact, we have been challenged by this since the day we moved into this space. The only difference between today and two and a half years ago is that the funds we have been using to make up the difference between our monthly expenses and our operating budget will essentially be depleted by the fiscal year end (June 30, 2009), and therefore no longer available to offset the cost between income and expenses.

As a reminder for all of you that have been around for a while and so that this conversation makes sense to those of you who are newer among us, let me provide a very brief history.

- We entered into a 5 year lease in April, 2006 and moved into this space in October, 2006. Prior to this, we rented space from other churches. Because we shared space, we had limited access to the space for services and other church related activities.

- For many good reasons, we, the congregation decided it was time for us to make a move to our own space. This is where we landed. As I said before, this was a huge leap for us and one element of that leap was financial. Not only would we need extra cash to deal with move in costs which included things like furnishings, kitchen stuff, sound system and the like, but we would also pay substantially more in rent, something on the order of 4 times what we had been used to paying. For comparison purposes, we are looking at a difference of about \$1,200 a month versus \$ 6,000 a month in rent and expenses.

- You are probably thinking, "If you knew you did not have the cash in hand, why did you make this kind of commitment? Did you have a plan or was this just a leap of faith in hope that everything worked out?" No, it was not just a leap of faith and there was a plan, and that plan involved some planning assumptions that have not been realized. Therein lies the issue.

- The plan included a special fundraising effort called the Campaign for Growth (CFG). Basically, church members made pledges over and above their annual pledge for a three year period of time. Beyond paying for startup costs, it was envisioned that these funds would help support us through the period of our lease. The original target number was not achieved, and despite the best of intentions and for various reasons, some of the pledges made were not paid or paid in full.

- The plan included pretty aggressive annual membership growth rates, the idea being that a certain % increase in members or pledging units translates to an increase in the operating budget and reduces our reliance on the CFG funds, which then extend the life of the CFG funds. As I mentioned earlier, this is the first year that we have realized any significant membership growth.

- Another assumption was that we would be able to realize some additional income through building rental. For various reasons, this too has not been realized.

The Opportunity

This is not the first time this small but mighty congregation has faced sizable adversity. At least twice in our history, we have stood at a crossroads where we could have made decisions to take huge steps backward or fold up the tent. We stood at one of those crossroads when contemplating the decision to move out of a shared space and into a space of our own. In each of these cases, we were afraid of the unknown but we did not look back. We had faith that we could be successful. So, with the best plan we could come up with and a great dose of faith, we moved forward and never had we been so alive with energy, enthusiasm and hope.

So, again we stand at a crossroads, and again are presented with the opportunity to rise to the challenge before us. What is that saying? That which does not kill us makes us stronger? I don't know if that is always true but I do know that with each challenge this congregation has faced, there has been success and those successes moved us one step closer to our ultimate vision of a program-size congregation who owns their own space, that has play space for the children, a worship space with awesome acoustics and so on.

It seems like there are so many things in our state, nation and world that feel out of control and that we have no direct impact on. When I remembered that we have been here before and that I was part of making that happen, I realized that we do have some direct impact on this challenge. Both individually and collectively, we need to have faith and take action. One individual action is related to stewardship and the time, talent and treasure you give to the church. Individual giving decisions are based on your life circumstances and this is understood. Collectively and from a leadership perspective, you should know that we have opened dialogue with the landlord and are seeing what is possible there.

In closing, I just want to remind us that this past year has been really, really good and we are a tough and resilient group. And we are here because we care deeply about this community church and its larger mission.

RE News

from Paula Braxton, Director of Religious Education

and Annette Emery, Religious Education Chair

Drawing to a Close

The RE year is drawing to a close and continues to grow. Thanks to our wonderful volunteer teachers, we have three classes for Pre-Kindergarten, Littles (K - 3rd) and Middles (4th - 7th). As our children grow, the RE program will need to grow to meet their needs, including classes for teens. The RE Committee will be updating their charter to reflect the needs of our UUCC families. If you are interested in sharing your thoughts about RE, please contact Annette Emery.

Growing Together

Big Ideas for Small Congregations

On March 28, several of us UUCCers headed off for Stockton's UU church and an excellent workshop on "Big Ideas for Small Congregations." The facilitator, Ellen Germann-Melosh, is co-author of a book by the same name. Here are some highlights from the day:

On committees: If people can't be found to serve on a particular committee, maybe that committee needs to be eliminated. Churches – especially small ones – tend to have too many committees. Task Forces and short-term Work Teams with specific task assignments are often more effective. Note: UUCC's Four Ministries re-structuring will, we hope, make use of such short-term teams.

On the Board of Trustees: Boards should be kept small and focus on vision and policies, delegating specific tasks and implementation to short-term study groups and action teams. The latter are likely to appeal more to people with multiple demands on their time. Note: If UUCC Board members are assigned as liaisons for each of the four ministries, we will probably need to maintain its present membership of seven.

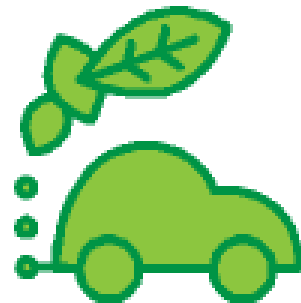
On volunteers: People agree to serve the church for different reasons. Categorized by motivation, volunteers include Achievers (motivated by a need to accomplish goals); Affiliators (those who especially value relationships); Influencers; and Spiritual Seekers. Both volunteers and volunteer recruiters should keep these preferences in mind. Note: All volunteer work at UUCC is a kind of ministry and should, ideally, offer some spiritual satisfaction.

To avoid leadership burnout, people should be limited to serving on two committees at one time. Requests for volunteer "sabbaticals" should be graciously honored.

Leaders should be mentored for a year, becoming thoroughly familiar with denominational and congregational history, culture and structure, before choosing an area to which to contribute. Note: We are looking into establishing a more intentional leadership development program.

On leadership: Managers ask, "Are we doing things right?" Leaders ask, "Are we doing the right things?" (Managers and leaders are both needed in a congregation.) The leader's job is to ask good questions, not to find good answers. Sounds very UU, doesn't it?

On membership: Everyone is needed to make a small congregation work. Membership grows when more is expected of members, e.g., that they serve the congregation in some capacity at least twice a year. Note: Here at UUCC, we ask members to contribute time as well as money. We're attempting to do this more formally as part of our stewardship efforts.



Want to Carpool?

We will be posting a map in the sanctuary, along with some flagged push pins. We're asking you to indicate your home's location on the map. This will allow us to see where we all live in relation to the church and one another. Those of you who would like to share rides to church (or elsewhere) will also be able to see who lives near you. Let's save gas money and reduce our collective carbon footprint!

The Green Corner

Carbon Footprints & Offsets

Welcome to the Green Corner, a column contributed by Candy Wood, member of UUCC and our Carbon Ring Groups. The goal of the Green Corner is to foster ecological education and offer tips and tools to diminish the negative human impact on the precious resources of the earth. In this edition, we will look at Carbon Footprints and Offsets.

First, what is a carbon footprint? This is “the total set of greenhouse gas emissions caused directly and indirectly by an individual, organization, event or product” (UK Carbon Trust 2008). It is measured by undertaking a greenhouse gas emissions assessment. Once the size of a carbon footprint is known, a strategy can be devised to reduce it.

Carbon offsets, or the mitigation of carbon emissions through the development of alternative projects such as solar or wind energy or reforestation, represent one way of managing a carbon footprint.

There are a number of companies which sell carbon offsets. You can invest in a wide range of opportunities including the capture and destruction of methane gas from farms and landfills, renewable energy, reforestation and more.

Of all of these opportunities, the one I find most appetizing is Climate Change Chocolate. Each 3.5 ounce bar of chocolate comes with 15 tips for reducing your carbon footprint on the wrapper AND with 133lbs of verified carbon offsets. That is equivalent to the average American daily carbon dioxide impact on the planet. I even like their slogan: Save our planet. It's the only one with chocolate on it...

~ Candy Wood & UUCC Carbon Ring Groups



Helping Hands



Condolences

Our condolences go out to Chris Carter whose mother passed away last month.

Car for Sale

A 2004 Toyota Corolla sedan is up for sale. The asking price is \$6000 or best offer. Proceeds will go to the UUCC Operating Fund. If interested, contact Dick Tarble.

Thank You, Easter Bunny

Many thanks to Tom Rintoul for buying and filling the Easter eggs for the children's Easter egg hunt!

Share the Plate

On March 31, we sent our March “Share the Plate” donation of \$151.70 to SSIP, and we hope that it will count toward the Feinstein Fund match. Our February and March donations combined for a total of \$262.95.

Ongoing Activities

Kid's Book Club

We will be discussing House on Falling Star Hill at our May 10 meeting, so if you haven't read it, this gives you some time. This book is available at a library. If you have any questions, contact the Newmans. Hope to see you there!

Theatre Group

We will see “Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead” at 8 PM on Friday, May 8 at Big Idea Theatre, 1616 Del Paso Boulevard. Please submit your reservations (\$12 & \$15) to Frieda Fergus by Sunday, May 3.



Daytimers Group

The Daytimers Group meets each Thursday from 10 AM-12 PM at the church. Anyone may join our lively discussion group. We are currently discussing a public radio program called “Speaking of Faith”. If you are interested in participating, please contact Dick Tarble.

Women's Group

The UUCC Women's Group is expanding! Yes, we are now going to meet twice a month on the 2nd Sunday and the 4th Tuesday of each month. The May meetings will be on Sunday, May 10 at 2:30 PM and Tuesday, May 26 at 7:00 PM at the church. All women are invited to attend. Please contact Annette Emery for more information.

Saturday Supper

Saturday Supper is a potluck dinner the 3rd Saturday of each month. The next dinner is on Saturday, May 16th. Normally we divide up into small groups of 6-12 and share a meal in someone's home. At each dinner, we ask a question and take turns answering, if we choose. It's okay to participate without ever hosting and it is okay to come occasionally. Participants are with a different group of people each month. We would love to have you join us! Thank you to our hosts for April: Dick and Georgene Tarble, and Terri Riley and Richard Leimbach. Please contact Terri Riley if you are interested in coming to our May Potluck.

Special Events

Italian Dinner Fundraiser

The Men's Group is hosting an Italian Dinner fundraiser for UUCC on May 12 at the Dante Club. Enjoy a seven course Italian meal, wine, dessert, entertainment, and raffle prizes for an all-inclusive price of \$35 per person. If you would like to attend, please contact Patrick Cody.

UUCC 2009 Rummage Sales

This year, we are going to attempt a different recipe for the church rummage sale. Two of them actually. I hope that they will double our income from this annual event.

The Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association (SCNA) has long sponsored a yard sale in late May on the field behind Sierra II Community Center at 24th Street and 3rd Avenue in Curtis Park. Last year, SCNA changed their format and decided to host a collective yard sale where each neighbor holds their own yard sale at their home and advertises it in a SCNA flyer for a modest cost. SCNA will supply a list of all the participants, addresses and maybe a summary of the types of items. This new format was well received and well attended last year. SCNA will again host this event on Saturday, May 30. Since I am a neighbor in Curtis Park and two blocks away from Sierra II Community Center, I offer to host the first of two UUCC rummage sales in my front yard on and advertise this in the SCNA flyer.

Last year, UUCC rented two spaces in June 2008 from the Parkside Community Church located on South Land Park Drive just south of Fruitridge Blvd and Belle College Library. This is a highly visible location along a well traveled route and receives many visitors. It was a good venue for UUCC. Parkside Community Church will again be hosting this event on Saturday, June 20. I intend to rent a space at this venue to hold a second church rummage sale.

These two events are only three weeks apart so I will offer to store the unsold items from the first sale in my backyard until the second sale. Unfortunately, I do not have space in my garage but there is unlikely to be any rain and with a few tarps, we can keep the items out of the sun.

Here is the help I need to make these two events work:

Everyone donating can bring their goods to my house in the early morning on May 30. The items must be in good condition and in working order for tools and appliances. If the item requires repairs, then do not bring it. All the goods must be priced ahead of time or you will need to stay long enough to price your own goods.

There will be more room for big items at the first sale than the second sale. Unsold items will be transported to the second sale on the early morning of June 20. Persons with vans or pickup trucks would be most appreciated for this task.

Stephen Bakken

June Congregational Meeting

Please plan to stay after the service on June 14 for our semi-annual congregational meeting. We will be voting on our budget, the recipients of our Sunday collections, and which presidential candidate our GA delegates should vote for.

About Us

Mission

The ministry of the Unitarian Universalist Community Church is to foster open minds, caring hearts, helping hands, and growing spirits in a congregation of all ages. By living and sharing Unitarian Universalist values, our spiritual and intentionally diverse community seeks to bring compassion and justice to the world.

UUC is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) and the Pacific Central District (PCD) of the UUA.

Membership

Would you like to be a formal member of this congregation? We would love to have you as a member!

If you would like membership information or if you feel ready to sign our membership book, you may talk to Rev. Martha Hodges or Laura Osborne.

Membership requirements are:

- 1) you must be at least 16 years old
- 2) you accept our principles and purposes
- 3) you make and fulfill a commitment to an annual contribution of record through a pledge of money and/or services.

We are a wonderful congregation and we will welcome you with open arms.

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The Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations (UUA) represents the interests of more than one thousand Unitarian Universalist congregations, on a continental scale. The UUA grew out of the consolidation, in 1961, of two religious denominations: the Universalists, organized in 1793, and the Unitarians, organized in 1825.



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