

Welcome to the First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco

Families and Children

Interested in learning about our Family Ministry and Sunday School programs?

Visit our website (www.uusf.org/family-ministry-classes-and-programs)

Questions? Rev. Alyson Jacks, ajacks@uusf.org or 415-776-4580.

Take a Seat

For people with chemical sensitivities, there is a scent-free zone, at the front of the right aisle. For people with service animals, please find marked area on left aisle.

Hearing impaired? Just ask an usher for an assistance device.

Candles

At the front of the sanctuary may be lit at any time as a silent sign of gratitude or concern.

Fill Out A Yellow Visitor Card

Let us know who you are by filling out a yellow visitor card. We'll send you our weekly e-mail, The Flame, and our monthly newsletter, FirstNews.

Tour of the Church (Sundays)

Meet your guide at the foot of the Chancel at 12:15 PM.

Stay For Coffee Hour and Conversation

Coffee hour will follow the service in the TSK Room or Courtyard.

Bookcorner

Open on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month following the service.

People Ages 18 to 39

Stop by the 20s & 30s table in the Gallery after Worship to meet the young adult community and learn about upcoming events. Questions? Email youngadults@uusf.org or call 415-590-7836.

Humanists And Non-Theists Discussions

12:30 PM most Sundays in the Fireside Room.

Newcomer Orientation

First Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM.

Invitation To Membership - February 2 (email ajacks@uusf.org)

1st Sunday of alternate months. Info: www.uusf.org/membership

Please go to www.uusf.org/newsletters current church activities.

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. King Day Interfaith Activities

Monday, January 20, 11AM (March)

From Caltrain Depot at 4th and Townsend

Vanessa Southern and **Alyson Jacks** will meet people by 10:45 AM at MLK Way and 4th Streets.
If you get lost call Vanessa at 415-723-1342.

HOSTING OUR HOMELESS NEIGHBORS IN FEBRUARY: HELP NEEDED!!

I know many folks come to church and value the ability to find ways to serve. We witness to pain all the time and the powerlessness is soul-deadening and the wise among us, who want to stay alive inside, respond to that deadening, by choosing life, choosing service.

For 31 years our congregation is one of only 4, I believe, that host the homeless in the winter, a month each. Our month begins in February, and we need some help, as always for the work to live on. So...

Our leaders of this program, **Hanna Hart** and **Ben Bear** and **Gordon Sharafinski** — a big, loving thank you to them — are looking for a few potential volunteers. Here's where you can come in!

NEEDED:

- Additional folks who could be evening liaisons/ hosts when other church's groups are providing dinner at the shelter. The job entails being at church from about 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM and helping support the groups in finding what they need working in our kitchen. This person also refills salt, pepper, sugar etc., so that it's ready for the morning shift the next day.
- Weekdays shoppers. Ideally, we would find three or four people who could each take two trips to the food bank and Cash & Carry and drop stuff off at church. Requires a car and being able to lift 40 lbs or arrange for help on each end.
- Lead chefs. Experience preferred. People who know how to think through big quantities of food preparation and are good at giving orders and getting a meal out on time to a deeply appreciative dining room!

If you think you might step in one of these ways, or even have more questions to know if you can serve in one of these ways, please contact **Hanna Hart**, who is lovely, at wintershelter@uusf.org.

And thank you. As Thurman said, "What the world needs is for people to come alive."

Vanessa

UUSF Center and Garage will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



Honesty and Legacy II: Inspecting the Family Tree



Order of Service
Sunday, January 19, 2020
11:00 AM to 12:15 PM

Prelude *A Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr* Hampton Sisler
 Reiko Oda Lane, organ

Opening and Welcome Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister

***Hymn 1** *May Nothing Evil Cross This Door* OLDBRIDGE

Unison Chalice Lighting

We light this chalice for the light of truth,
 the warmth of love,
 and the fire of commitment.
 We light this symbol of our faith
 as we gather together.

Brief Invitations Judy Payne, Board Secretary

Greeting One Another

When I breathe in, I'll breathe in peace.
 When I breathe out, I'll breathe out love.

***Covenant**

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer. This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.

***Doxology** TALLIS' CANON

From all that dwell be - low the skies; let songs of hope and
 De to - dos ba - jo el gran sol; sur - ja, es - pe - ran - za

5
 faith a - rise; Let peace, good - will on earth be sung through
 fé, a - mor; ver - dad, y be - lle - za can - tan - do, de

8
 ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.
 ca - da tie - rra, ca - da voz. A - men.

The children and teachers depart for classes on the second stanza. If you want your child to attend Sunday School, meet in the gallery following the children's recessional, or ask for assistance in the church office. **Rev. Jacks (ajacks@uusf.org)** can answer questions or address special needs.

Ritual of Remembrance and Commitment Rev. Southern

Times of Spoken and Silent Meditation

Music MLK U2
 Wm. García Ganz, guest conductor

Reflection Don Wiepert, Worship Associate

Offertory Music *Up to the Mountain* Patty Griffin
 Eric Shackelford, soloist

Reading "Gather at the Table"
 (Sharon Leslie Morgan and Thomas DeWolf)

***Hymn 1046** *Shall We Gather at the River* Robert Lowry

Sermon *Honesty and Legacy II: Inspecting the Family Tree* Rev. Vanessa Southern

***Hymn 1018** *Come and Go with Me* Kenny Smith

***Benediction**
 (Please be seated until after the Postlude)

Postlude *The Promised Land* Joyce Jones

* Please rise as you are able.

After the Service Today

Up On Top! - 12:15 PM (TODAY)
 Up On Top after school program will be serving hot chocolate today after church in the TSK Room.

Winter Shelter Volunteer Sign-Ups! - 12:15 PM, Gallery (TODAY)
 On February 10 to February 29 UUSF will be the host community for the meal and housing program for men. (see more info on the back)

The Human Rights Working Group: Solitary Man
 12:30 PM, TSK Room (TODAY) - *Luch and Program!*
Solitary Man is a moving and humanizing story of life in solitary confinement based on letters from prisoners at Pelican Bay. In *Solitary Man*, **Charlie Hinton** as himself visits Otis Washington (played by **Fred Johnson**) a prisoner at Pelican Bay since its opening in 1989. With a sprinkle of jazz mixed with powerful words as the two get to know each other makes this play a must see performance. Cosponsored by the **Humanists & Non-Theists** Lunch will be available for a nominal fee.

Young Adults: Lunch Outing - 12:30 PM, Meet in Gallery (TODAY)
 The young adult community goes out to lunch on the third Sunday of the month. This is a great opportunity for newbies to meet people.

MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY - Auction and Gala Celebration!
 Save the Date: Saturday, February 1st!

IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER MEETING TODAY!
 There is an important meeting today @ 12:30 PM in the Chapel for all people who can volunteer for the upcoming Mad Hatter's Tea Party and Gala Celebration. This is great way for you to both celebrate and support our congregation!

TICKETS & INFO!
 Tickets are now on sale: \$25 for adults , and \$10 for people under 18. Tickets can be ordered online at www.bit.ly/uuauction2019
 Contact **Julia Wald** at Jpwald@waldlawyers.com to learn more.

AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!
 We still need auction items. We particularly need parties or dinners. Email 630smith@gmail.com for any items or questions.

Upcoming

Social Justice Action: Wednesday Morning Rush Hour!
 Wednesday, January 22, 7:30 AM to 9AM
 Please join our witness with signs and leaflets to those in rush hour traffic in front of our sanctuary every Wednesday morning from 7:30-9AM. Questions? Email neveragain@uusf.org

Sunday Forum - January 2020 - 9:30 AM, MLK Room
January 26: Professor **Susan Bartlett Foote**, author of "The Crusade for Forgotten Souls" will speak about how to win a campaign for better mental health care -- a discussion moderated by **Rev. John Buehrens**.

Community Suppers: An Opportunity To Host
 Happening Next Spring 2020! A great way we connect with one another is through potluck Community Suppers, hosted by a member in their home -- on an evening of their choice. The guests are from a list of folks who've said they want to attend a supper. The only requirement is that you have room to host at least five people. Questions? **Peter Gross** at pwgross@sbcglobal.net.

Millie Phillips Ordination: Jan. 26 at 6PM, Sanctuary
 Millie is a long time member and lay leader in the congregation who completed her studies at the Starr King School for the Ministry and was cleared for ordination this past spring by the denomination. As is the custom of Unitarian Universalism it is a congregation that ordains people into ministry and ours voted this fall at a special meeting to ordain Millie.

A reception with food and beverages will follow in the Martin Luther King room. Please let us know if you can join us by responding (this will help us plan the scope of the festivities that day)
 Please go to bit.ly/Millie2020 to RSVP!

Minister's Book Group
 Wednesday, January 29, 6:30 PM - 8PM & Thursday, January 30, 12PM- 1:30 PM
Led by Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister

"An Indigenous People's History of the United States" by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz. This book is the suggested Common Read for the denomination for the year and rightly so. We will have two chances for folks to join in a conversation: Wednesday, January 29, 6:30-8PM or Thursday, January 30, noon-1:30 PM. Please RSVP to jchapot@uusf.org.

A Third American Revolution?
 Sunday, February 9, 12:30 PM to 2PM, TSK Room
 A Book Talk by Rev. Dr. John Buehrens. Lunch Served (cost between \$10-15. Funds will support the All Church Retreat Scholarship Fund)

Transcendentalists like Theodore Parker, whose grandfather led the Minutemen on Lexington Common on April 19, 1775, called for a "Second American Revolution" to end slavery. We need to ask ourselves if today we need a Third Revolution, one necessary to prevent a populist regression to racism and autocracy. Join Rev. Dr. John Buehrens as we explore this topic as he discusses his newest book "CONFLAGRATION: How the Transcendentalists Sparked the American Struggle for Racial, Gender and Social Justice."